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## Jobs Now!

### The GOP's Vendetta Against the Jobless

by Rick Sloan, Huffington Post, July 2, 2010

Last week, 40 Republican Senators and one Democrat blocked action on extended unemployment benefits. This week, three GOP Senators were absent for the roll call but the end result was the same—no relief for the long-term unemployed. By the time those 41 lawmakers return from their 4th of July recess, 2 million Americans will have spent their final unemployment check.

Republicans, however, will not shed crocodile tears over the pain inflicted on the jobless. [...more](#)

### Welcome Congress Home

Outraged over GOP and so-called "moderate" Democrats' recent attacks on the unemployed? Their demands for drug tests? Implying the jobless are lazy? Or, perhaps their refusal to extend unemployment benefits? Do something about it. Create UCubed events to welcome Members of Congress home for their "district work period."

The House of Representatives starts its recess July 31 and the Senate August 9. Both chambers return to Washington September 10. While they're back home, UCubed leaders and jobs activists have a perfect opportunity to impress upon them the desperation faced by the jobless, particularly those who have been unemployed for more than 99 weeks.

If you're willing to organize a "welcome home party" or any other local event that uses our [Hire US, America](#) materials, do it. Just tell us when and where and what you're planning to do by sending us an [invite](#). We'll post it on the UCubed "Laid Off/Pissed Off" Calendar.

### Send Us Your Photos!

Take this opportunity to encourage other jobs activists. [Send us](#) a photograph of where you have your Hire US, America sign or bumper sticker, or of you delivering the plan to a local politician,

## Recent News

[Find out how the Great Recession has changed life in America](#)

[NYT Op-Ed Columnist Bob Herbert discusses a jobs program that works](#)

[HuffPost article calls out the GOP for waging a vendetta against the jobless](#)

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or simply a picture of you and your family.

While you're at it, tell us [your story](#). We'll post pictures and stories in the new Hire US, America gallery.

## New Cubes

Welcome to our newest cubes in [Hudson River Valley West, NY](#); [Lancaster County, PA](#); and [Union Summer Chicago RCW](#)!

UCubed provides useful tips and tools for creating, communicating and calling Cube members into action. Click [here](#) for more information.

Also, click [here](#) for sample email text to invite others to join your cube.

## Legislative Update

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