

# **NOW WE GATHER! #MutululsWelcomeHere**

## **30 for Dr. Mutulu Shakur's 30 years!**



### **CONTEXT**

Dr. Mutulu Shakur has been incarcerated for 30 years! Though he was scheduled for release on February 10, 2016 the Parole Board has scheduled a hearing for April 4, 2016. We need to tell the Parole Board that Dr. Mutulu Shakur is welcome in our communities!

Following in the tradition of the *34 Mujeres X Oscar*, a campaign to free Oscar Lopez Rivera, a political prisoner of the Puerto-Rican Independence Movement, the New Afrikan Women's Caucus of the Malcolm X Grassroots Movement is calling for 30 women to gather for 30 minutes for Baba Dr. Mutulu Shakur.



In addition, we call for all those in support of Dr. Mutulu Shakur's release to gather in common identity (30 children, 30 men, 30 teachers, etc.) to gather in honor of Dr. Mutulu Shakur.

### **ASK**

30 women (*\*or a group of people with common identity*) **gather for 30 minutes in 10 cities on Saturday, April 2, 2016, the Saturday before Dr. Mutulu Shakur's parole hearing on April 4, 2016.** 30 women\* will gather with allies in a visible location and hold space for 30 minutes. 30 women\* will be dressed in white, in formation, doing the chants while allies will be in the supportive roles listed below. **Successful action will last 30 active minutes and have visibility and an opportunity to engage folks with the information.**

**Now WE Gather** –organizing toolkit for  
**#MutululsWelcomeHere Campaign 2016**  
taliba obuya, Malcolm X Grassroots Movement

**Action: Duration 30 minutes** (before, during, after)

**BEFORE: Prep**

1. Choose a public space where you will have visibility
2. Gather the 30 women\* wearing white to represent the 30 years Dr. Mutulu Shakur has been incarcerated and form line or half circle
3. Cover head with white coverings for the 30 folks (*handkerchief or cloth but needs to all 30 folks or none at all*)
4. Print Education pamphlet and sign in sheet
5. Gather supplies
6. **If you cannot organize 30 folks with common identities; you may use 30 tall white glass candles lit in formation**
7. **Get on National Organizing Call:** Tuesdays at 9pm EST, 8pm CST, 6pm PST  
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**DURING: Claim Space! & Demand #MutululsWelcomeHere :)**

**If space permits, stand in straight line or half circle**

1. ONLY 30 in white Chant for 27 minutes; (chants at the end of this toolkit; feel free to chant yours)
2. At minute 28; face west for Mutulu and Chant "Dare to Struggle, Dare to Win" repeat for full minute (if accessible, jump up and down)
3. At minute 29; face east for Afrika and Chant "We Will Win!" Repeat for full minute
4. At minute 30; face South for Republic of New Afrika and Chant "It Is Our Duty to Fight!"
5. Close with **all** folks who came chanting It Is Our Duty to Fight!"
6. Do a group picture and share your action on social media with hashtag **#MutululsWelcomeHere**

**AFTER: Follow Up (S.T.E.P & J)**

1. **Send** sign in sheets to [mutuluiswelcomehere@gmail.com](mailto:mutuluiswelcomehere@gmail.com) so we can connect them with updates for campaign
2. **Thank** the participants and invite them to stay connected to the #MutululsWelcomeHere Campaign at [mutuluiswelcomehere@gmail.com](mailto:mutuluiswelcomehere@gmail.com)
3. **Encourage** them to join the Liberation Movement through your organization or the Malcolm X Grassroots Movement by contacting [sanyika@mxgm.org](mailto:sanyika@mxgm.org)
4. **Post** pictures to social media and use the hashtag: #MutululsWelcomeHere
5. **Join National Debrief Call** to debrief actions & updates from Mutulu Shakur's parole hearing! Tuesdays at 9pm EST, 8pm CST, 6pm PST  
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## ACTION LOGISTICS

### Roles

- 30 folks in white/coordinated color with or without white head cover
- 1 Lawyer
- 1 Police Liaison\* (*action should be low risk & not arrestable; heed public gatherings policy for your local municipality*)
- 1 Photographer
- 2 public educators; handouts (*may have more depending on site you have chosen*)
- 2 data collectors; clipboards (*may have more depending on site you have chosen*)
- 1 Social media person
- 1 Flag holder

*\*\*allies/supporters may double up if needed*

### Supplies

- Political education handout pamphlet (*end of toolkit*)
- Sign in sheets (*end of toolkit*)
- Clipboards & pens
- \*30 white tall glass candles (found in many dollar stores)
- Banner: #MutululsWelcomeHere stencils (printable 11 x 17 end of toolkit)
- Picture of Mutulu (end of toolkit)
- Drum or other instruments (*optional*)
- RedBlackGreen Flag (*optional*)
- Plant & water for libation (*optional*)
- Sage (*optional*)

### Items Checklist (day of action)

- Print the handouts (*double sided*)
- Print sign in sheets
- Print chants (*if needed*)
- Make/Print banner
- Gather the supplies: rbg and other flags, white headcovers, etc.
- Documentation equipment; cameras, phone cameras, videos, etc. (*all things charged*)
- Candles & lighter (*if not a crew of 30*)
- Clip boards and pens
- Clock; watch, phone, timer (*if helpful*)
- Contact/check in Legal support; (*if needed*)

## CHANTS

### DARE TO STRUGGLE, DARE TO WIN

Dare to Struggle!  
Dare to Win!  
Dare to Struggle!  
Dare to Win!  
Dare to Struggle!  
Dare to Win!

### WE WILL WIN

We Will Win! (rapid)  
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We! -call and respond  
We!  
Will! -call and respond  
Will!  
Win! -call and respond  
Will!  
We Will Win!  
We Will Win!  
We Will Win!

### IT IS OUR DUTY TO FIGHT (call and response)

It is our duty to fight for our freedom  
It is our duty to win!

We must love it each and protect each other,  
We have nothing to lose but our chains!  
*-repeat 2 x; first time soft but with power! and get louder*

Final: really loud

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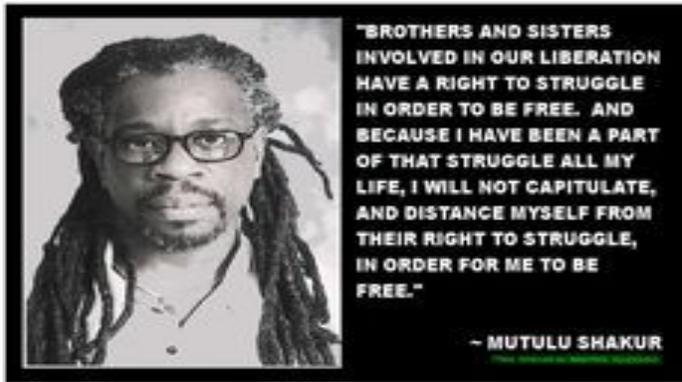
**FREE MUTULU SHAKUR**



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Dr. Mutulu Shakur is a New Afrikan (Black) man whose primary work has been in the area of health. He is a doctor of acupuncture and was a co-founder and director of two institutions devoted to improving health care in the Black community.

Mutulu Shakur was born on August 8, 1950, in Baltimore, Maryland as Jeral Wayne Williams. At age seven he moved to Jamaica, Queens, New York City with

his mother and younger sister. Shakur's political and social consciousness began to develop early in his life. His mother suffered not only from being Black and female, but was also blind. These elements constituted Shakur's first confrontation with the state, while assisting his mother to negotiate through the maze that made up the social service system. Through this experience, Shakur learned that the system did not operate in the interests of Black people and that Black people must control the institutions that affect their lives.

**Since the age 16, Dr. Shakur has been a part of the New Afrikan Independence Movement. As a part of this movement Dr. Shakur has been a target of the illegal Counterintelligence Program carried out by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (COINTELPRO).** This was a secret police strategy used in the U.S. starting in the 1960's to destroy and neutralize progressive and revolutionary organizations. It is believed that Dr. Shakur's resistance to this program led to his arrest and trial.

**From 1978 to 1982, Dr. Shakur was the Co-Founder and Co-Director of the Black Acupuncture Advisory Association of North America (BAAANA) and the Harlem Institute of Acupuncture.** Where, at Lincoln, Dr. Shakur had managed a detox program recognized as the largest and most effective of its kind by the National Institute of Drug Abuse, National Acupuncture Research Society and the World Academic Society of Acupuncture, at BAAANA he continued his remarkable work and also treated thousands of poor and elderly patients who would otherwise have no access to treatment of this type. By the late 1970's Dr. Shakur's work in acupuncture and drug detoxification was both nationally and internationally known and he was invited to address members of the medical community around the world. Dr. Shakur lectured on his work at many medical conferences, and was invited to the People's Republic of China. In addition, in his work for the Charles Cobb Commission for Racial Justice for the National Council of Churches, he developed their anti-drug program.

**Mutulu was arrested on February 12, 1986. In March 1982, Dr. Shakur and 10 others were indicted by a federal grand jury under a set of U.S. conspiracy laws called "Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organization" (RICO) laws.** These conspiracy laws were ostensibly developed to aid the government in its prosecution of organized crime figures; however, they have been used with varying degrees of success against revolutionary organizations. Dr. Shakur was charged with conspiracy and participation in a clandestine paramilitary unit that carried out actual and attempted expropriations from several banks. **Eight incidents were alleged to have occurred between December 1976 to October 1981. In addition, he was charged with participation in the 1979 prison escape of Assata Shakur, who is now in exile in Cuba (the question of Dr. Shakur being charged with participation when in fact they alleged he masterminded her escape creates the true fact of COINTELPRO).**

**Dr. Shakur is the father of six children. His son Tupac was assassinated in 1996.** He has solid evidence that it was a continuation of COINTELPRO. The F.B.I., the Federal Bureau of Prisons and law enforcement made every effort to keep him separated from his son Tupac.



**#MutululsWelcomeHere** Campaign is coordinated by Malcolm X Grassroots Movement, New Afrikan Peoples Organization, and the Friends & Family of Mutulu Shakur to bring attention to the case and demanded freedom of Dr. Mutulu Shakur. On the other side of this handout, you will find facts about who Dr. Mutulu Shakur is.

Below are ways to plug into the Campaign and stay connected to organizing with this campaign. Check out the [www.mutuluiswelcomehere.com](http://www.mutuluiswelcomehere.com) website to find information, updates, and resources.

#### **Four ways to plug into the Campaign:**

- ❖ Join national organizing calls on Tuesdays at 9pm EST at [Click Here for Link](#) or type in: <http://myaccount.maestroconference.com/conference/register/Z936JRIDIC1GHIWE>
- ❖ Sign onto the Campaign at [www.mutuluiswelcomehere.com](http://www.mutuluiswelcomehere.com)
- ❖ Host a **#MutululsWelcomeHere** Celebration to educate the public about Dr. Mutulu Shakur and fund raise for support for Dr. Mutulu Shakur (resources on the website)
- ❖ Participate in the Twitter Rally daily at 4pm EST with hashtag: **#MutululsWelcomeHere** until April 15th