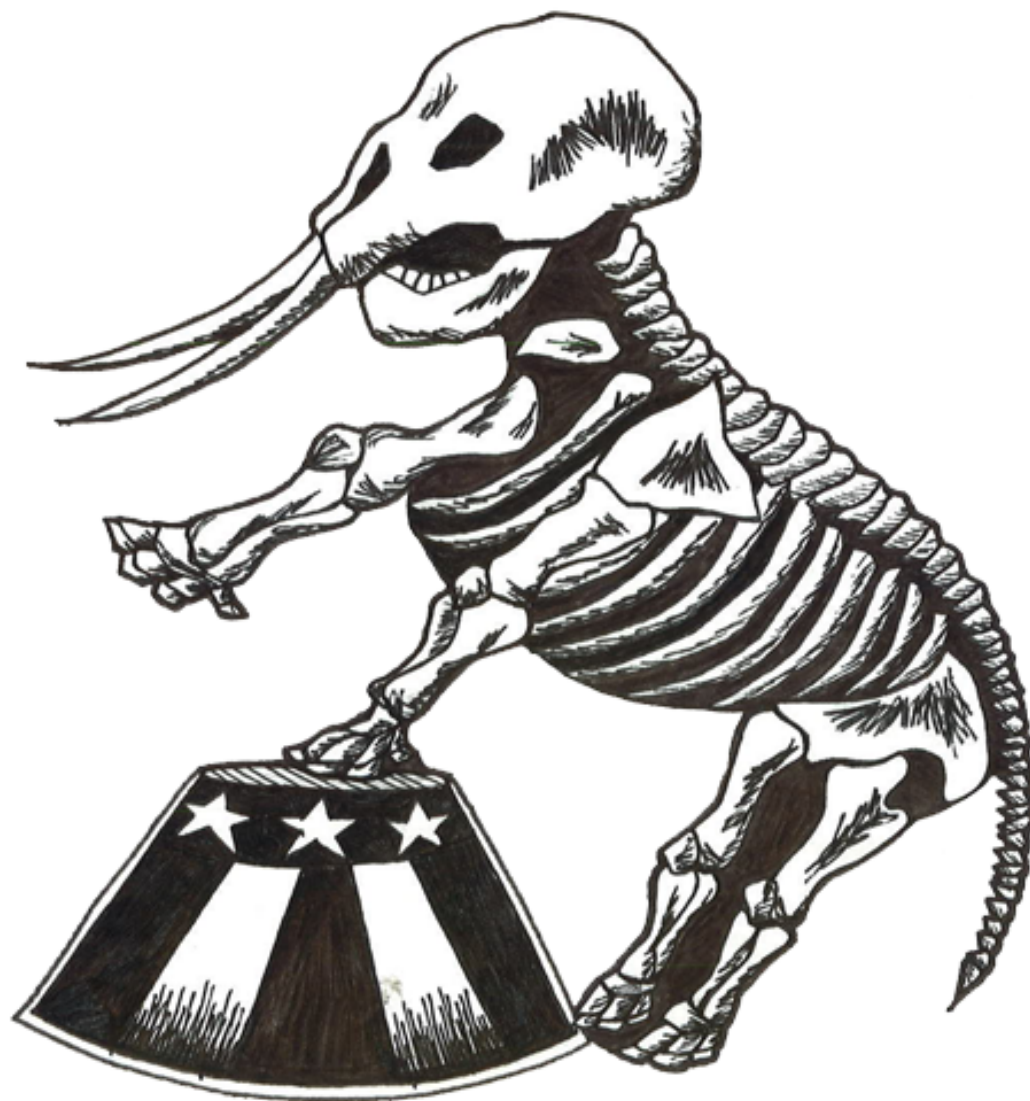


**The Southern Republican Leadership Conference
April 8-11, 2010 – New Orleans, LA**

**SRLC WELCOMING COMMITTEE
Information & Organizing Packet**



Save New Orleans!

Protest Bobby Jindal and the Southern Republicans!

The SRLC Welcoming Committee

WHO WE ARE AND WHAT WE ARE BUILDING:

The SRLC-Welcoming Committee is a group of concerned residents and activists organizing for the 2010 Republican Southern Leadership Conference in New Orleans, LA. We are a diverse group of individuals who have come together in the belief that health care is a necessity. The decision of the SRLC to host their conference in New Orleans – a city hard-hit by the inaccessibility of adequate healthcare – is both ironic and insulting. Bobby Jindal's destruction of public health care in Louisiana, at the cost of jobs and lives, is an attack on the people of New Orleans. We must organize and respond.

We seek to build a decentralized coalition to present a response to the Republican presence in our city. We believe in our collective struggle and the possibility of a world beyond oppression, domination, war and empire. Following are our points of unity. We invite all individuals and groups committed to these ideas to participate in the Welcoming Committee.

POINTS OF UNITY:

- The SRLC is not welcome in NOLA without a fuss
- Recognize healthcare as a basic human right
- Oppose police oppression, the prison-industrial complex, and the dominant culture of militarism
- Recognize the need for active resistance to confront all forms of oppression, respecting a diversity of tactics
- A commitment to mutual-aid and voluntary association as organizing principles
- Recognize the need to settle organizational differences internally

SCHEDULE & CONTACT INFO

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Weekly Organizing Meetings

- Mondays – 8pm – Iron Rail Book Collective (511 Marigny St.)
- Fridays – 4pm – Iron Rail Book Collective (511 Marigny St.)

Training Day – Banners and Barbeque

- Saturday, April 3 – 3pm – Iron Rail Book Collective (511 Marigny St.)

Final Logistics Meeting/Spokescouncil

- Wednesday, April 7 – 7pm – Iron Rail Book Collective (511 Marigny St.)

SRLC Weekend

- Friday, April 9 – 6pm – Second Line for Healthcare
- Saturday, April 10 – all day – Street Theatre & Direct Action

COMING IN FROM OUT OF TOWN?

We are coordinating housing. Drop us a line.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

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About the SRLC

The Southern Republican Leadership Conference bills itself as “the largest GOP gathering prior to the 2012 Republican National Convention.” With a large number of ‘activists’ and big-name Republican figureheads (Palin, Gingrich, Hannity, etc.), the SRLC will be a nexus for Republican ‘organizing’ leading up the the 2010 and 2012 national elections. This will be Bobby Jindal’s chance to launch his national career, a frightening possibility.



SRLC Venues

-  **1 – Hilton Riverside**
2 Poydras St.
-  **2 – JW Marriot**
Canal St.
-  **3 – W Hotel**
333 Poydras St.
-  **4 – Embassy Suites**
315 Julia St.
-  **5 – Wyndham Riverfront**
701 Convention Center

The SRLC is being held the same weekend as the French Quarter Festival. Centered at the Hilton Riverside Hotel at the confluence of Poydras St. and Convention Center Blvd, the SRLC will bring a multitude of unwelcomed outsiders during a traditionally New Orleanian celebration.

For more information, you can visit the SRLC’s website – www.srlc2010.com. The website includes general information, a list of speakers, a tentative schedule, and, for those who wish to attend, information on how to reserve your ticket.

SRLC Weekend – Friday, 4/9

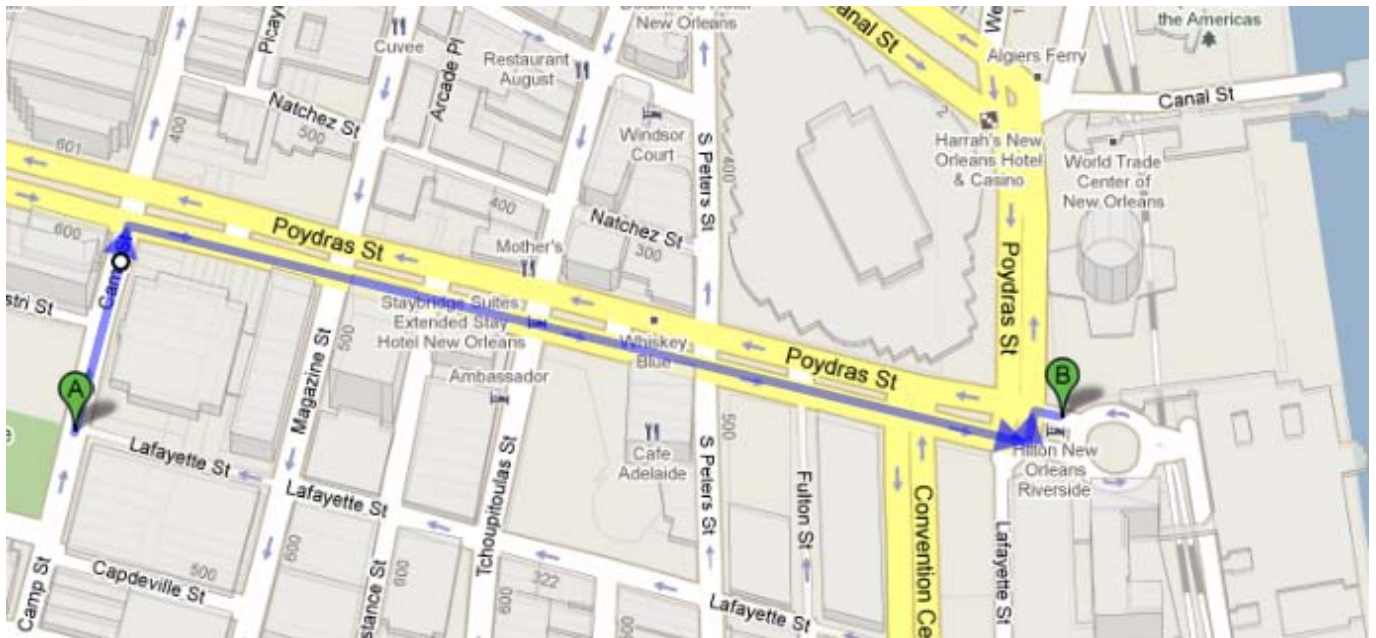
Friday, April 9 – Second Line for Healthcare

- Meet at 5:30 pm
- Step-off at 6:00 pm

The Second Line for Healthcare is our opportunity to present a unified message to Bobby Jindal and the SRLC: your harmful politics are not welcome. Show them your discontent with their invasion of New Orleans as they take away our access to vital medical care. Our message is clear: reopen Charity Hospital, stop destroying public health care. Jindal and the SRLC are not welcome.

Route (0.4 miles):

- Start at Lafayette Square Park at St. Charles Ave. and Lafayette
- March down Camp St. to Poydras St.
- March down Poydras to the Hilton Riverside Hotel



SRLC Weekend – Saturday, 4/10

Saturday, April 10 – all-day – Street Theatre & Direct Action

We welcome everyone, organizations and individuals alike, to take some time to send their own personal message to the SRLC and its attendees. Saturday is a day of direct action, a time for people to take to the streets, autonomously, and demonstrate their opposition to the policies and politics of the Republican party. While the focus of our Second Line will be about the destruction of health care, inequity and oppression in our city affect all aspects of our daily lives: education, employment, police, the prison-industrial complex, etc. To the streets! Show Jindal his harmful politics are not welcome in New Orleans. Our numbers are many, let our presence reflect our dissatisfaction with the status quo. The Republicans do not offer solutions. The people have the power. Let that be shown.



Ideas:

- Guerilla theatre
- Soap boxing
- Clowning
- Direct Action
- Spontaneous demonstration or rallying
- Costumes
- Distributing literature

SRLC attendees will be spending most of their time in the CBD and the French Quarter. Show them that ignoring the health and well-being of the people for corporate profit will not go unnoticed.

Notes

STOP Jindal's plan to DESTROY
Louisiana's Charity Hospital
System!

Rebuild & Reopen the Avery
C. Alexander Charity Hospital
in New Orleans!

Save the Earl K. Long Charity
Hospital in Baton Rouge!

for info, meetings & planning:

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