

SLASH FUNDING FOR SCHOOLS, PUBLIC SERVICES, AND HEALTHCARE? OR MAKE THE 1% PAY THEIR FAIR SHARE?

Albany's response to New York's \$6.1 billion deficit: **cut critical funding for the people who need it.**

These cuts will hurt CWA health care workers, SUNY teaching assistants and NYC workers directly. And they threaten to raise all of our property taxes as well if the state shifts costs onto towns and counties.



New York is the most unequal state in the country. The richest 1% have an average income of \$2.2 million—44 times higher than the average for the other 99%. The ultra-rich can afford to pay more!

Let's raise billions of dollars to close the budget gap:

- MILLIONAIRE'S TAX** Implement a tax increase for the top 1%, with additional bracket increases at \$5 million, \$10 million and \$100 million in annual income. Affects 56,000 millionaires in NYS.
- BILLIONAIRE'S WEALTH TAX** Impose a 2% tax on "wealth"—stocks, bonds, mansions, etc.—of NYS billionaires. There are 112 billionaires in New York State worth a combined total of \$525 billion.
- PIED-A-TERRE TAX (\$.44 / A.4540)** Tax luxury second homes in Manhattan that the wealthy don't even live in.

Call your NY State Senator at **1-888-701-7165**

They have received a copy of a pledge to put working people first and tax the 1% instead of making cuts. When you call, tell them:

"Don't cut funding for public services. **There's a better way.** Will you sign the pledge to pass common sense measures to make sure the ultra-rich pay their fair share?"

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