

## US REP. CLAY-SHAW IMMIGRATION HEARING

**Come Support Comprehensive Immigration Reform**

**Lake Worth City Hall  
(7 N. Dixie Hwy, Lake Worth, FL- corner of Lake Av & Dixie)  
tomorrow, Thursday, August 17, 2006  
1:00- 4:00 pm**

Congressman Clay-Shaw will hold a community hearing tomorrow on immigration for the purpose of discussing the "problems" that immigrants cause. Rep. Shaw who voted for the Sensenbrenner bill, HR 4437, which would criminalize 12 million undocumented immigrants is in a tight re-election race. This event is open to the public but was conducted without proper public announcement and with no apparent opportunity to speak.

***"It's one of many sham hearings designed to scapegoat immigrants for the purpose of political gain."*** said Rev. Margarita Romo from Farmworker Self Help, an active member of the Florida Immigrant Coalition who will be at the hearing.

Despite a broad appeal for reform, this administration and the US Congress have failed to address the issue of almost 12 million nationally and 1 million Floridians who live, work, study, shop and worship without proper immigration paperwork.

***"This is nothing but a fake. We don't want to be used for political posturing, the hearing won't hide their total failure to enact any meaningful reform."*** Said Evelia Menjivar from United Farm Workers and Board member of the Florida Immigrant Coalition also planning to attend the hearing.

A rally of the Immigrant Rights Coalition of Palm Beach, coordinated by ACORN and supported by the Florida Immigrant Coalition will take place outside the hearing where people will be voicing their support for real reform that respects families, workers and the value of all people, including immigrants.

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