



# COLECTIVO TODO PODER AL PUEBLO

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## La Lucha Sigue: All Power to Our Community!

Decades ago, Cesar Chavez arrived in Oxnard as a community organizer to struggle against discrimination, police brutality, and unjust conditions for workers. The idea that guided him was to serve the people, and to build their ability to stand up for themselves. What he found were barrios that were ready to meet this challenge, and ready to fight for the improvement of their lives in spite of threats against them from the employers, the growers, the city, and the police. Those fights now belong to the proud history of our community.

Decades later, small improvements remain but in many ways the conditions are similar, if not worse. Our community is still plagued by police harassment, poverty, poor wages, and unequal treatment by a system that exploits us and attempts to deny us the right to live in dignity. Chavez is honored, but his enemies remain strong; the system has been set up to keep us silent while the historic organizer is celebrated like some harmless monument.

Instead of remaining calm and quiet, our community needs to continue Cesar Chavez's legacy of struggle – we need to organize, defend our rights, and fight for what's best for our families and community.

### We demand:

- No justice, no peace! Killer and abusive cops, off our streets!
- End the checkpoints and 30-day impounds!
- Documents and permanent residency rights for all: the right to work, higher education, drivers' licenses and public benefits.
- An immediate end to raids and deportations.

*"A realistic analysis of who benefits from our oppression will clearly show that the head and heart of our movement must be the community and it is our present unorganized state which allows the migra, police, and politicians to bully us. History and experience have shown that unity and organization are capable of transforming a situation of passive acceptance into one where people are able to defend themselves from a position of strength and can take the initiative in the fight for a dignified future. An optimistic, assertive, and self-determined people are capable of overcoming the fear, hostility, and general corruption of those who take aim at us."*

- Todo Poder al Pueblo Collective, March 2014

