

Practical international solidarity

TUC Aid is appealing for funds to help trade unionists in three of the most challenging environments. This is your chance to put solidarity into action. Help fellow trade unionists create democracy and fight poverty. **Make a difference.**



Burma

Burma is one of the worst countries in the world to be a worker. The Federation of Trade Unions – Burma (FTUB) is banned, dubbed a terrorist organisation by the regime and forced to operate underground.

Your support can help the FTUB educate and train its organisers and tell Burmese workers' stories to the outside world.

Help the Burmese unions in their struggle for democracy and workers' rights.

TUC Aid welcomes personal donations or contributions from union bodies.

Visit our website to donate directly, set up a standing order, or arrange for your employer to make payments out of your wages through Give As You Earn.

Or send a cheque made out to 'TUC Aid (Multi-Country Appeal)' to Congress House, Great Russell Street, London WC1B 3LS

www.tuc.org.uk/tucaidappeal

Zimbabwe

The Zimbabwe Congress of Trade Unions (ZCTU) needs our help to promote real democracy, an end to the violence in the countryside which hurts black farmworkers most, and better wages and working lives for ordinary Zimbabweans.

The TUC has already increased the ZCTU's capacity to influence Ministers and MPs, but unions now need money to keep afloat.

We can provide them with basic tools like laptops and office equipment, newspapers, courses and campaigns – they bring their own bravery and commitment.



PHOTOGRAPHS

BURMA (TOP)

Su Su Nway, human rights activist, is currently confined in the remote and malarial Hkamti prison in Burma.

ZIMBABWE (MIDDLE)

Since the breakdown of the country's economy and public services, women (and men) from the ZCTU and its affiliates help clear rubbish.

PALESTINE (BOTTOM)

Nedaa Al Zaher is one of 45 workers to have joined a trade union since attending PGFTU training.

Palestine

The Israeli occupation of the West Bank, illegal settlements and the blockade of Gaza have led to unemployment, poverty and repression of union rights.

TUC Aid will support women in the Palestinian General Federation of Trade Unions (PGFTU) to recruit new members and improve pay, conditions and opportunities. Nedaa Al-Zaher says: "Now I realise the importance of unions and I have begun to know my rights at work."

Your support can give women trade unionists new skills and the confidence to really make a difference to their day-to-day lives.



The Entertainment Unions' Wednesday night social will contribute to the TUC Aid appeal for Burma, Palestine and Zimbabwe.

Enjoy yourself and start helping our brothers and sisters abroad.

