



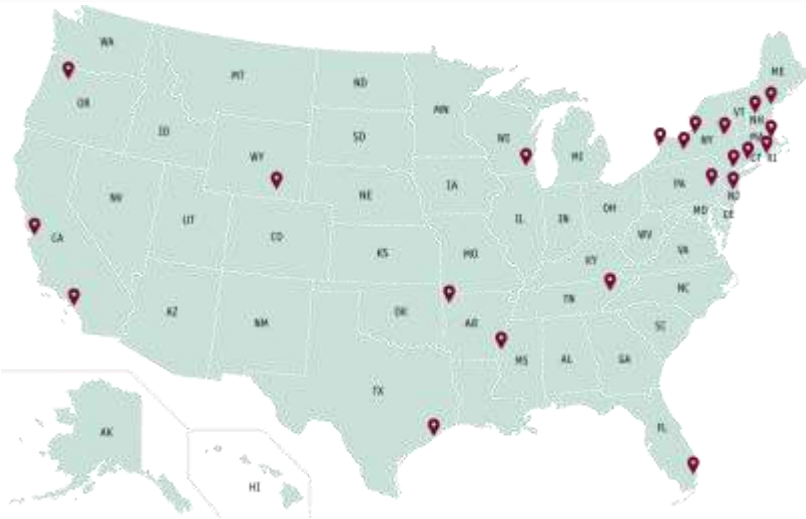
# Health & Safety Organizing during COVID19

*Peter Dooley, National COSH*

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# The National Council for Occupational Safety and Health

**National COSH is the U.S. national level coordinating body of the COSH Network.**



**Grassroots H&S Activism fo 50 years.**

The COSH Network and our partners are dedicated to promoting safe and healthy working conditions for all working people through education, organizing, advocacy, and taking Action! 23 Local Coshs, Broader allies with worker centers & social justice orgs

# COVID 19 has highlighted:



- **Importance of essential workers including low-wage**
- **Insufficiency of worker protections**
- **Injustice to workers by employers**
- **Unpreparedness of health care system**
- **Repressive anti-worker Gov't**
- **Importance of being organized, acting together to protect each other for Worker Power**

# Crisis threatening All workers in World:

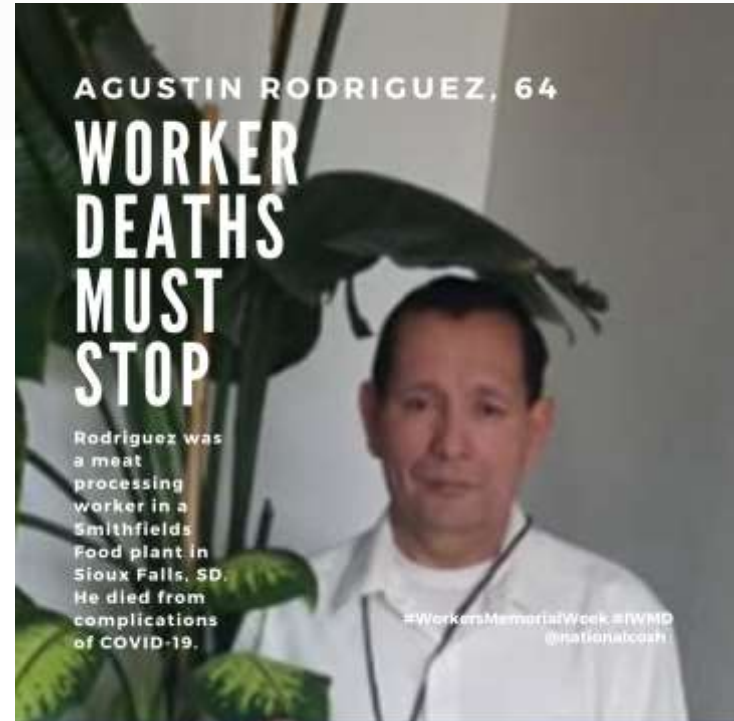
## Low Wage workers to be hit the hardest

- Job loss /Work Hours Cut
- High Risk the Virus with no health insurance
- Stay home with no pay
  - Workers of color overrepresented in the most dangerous & essential industries: animal slaughter, seafood processing, farming, correctional facilities, nursing home and warehouse work.



# NO MORE WORKERS DEATHS CAMPAIGN

**WORKER AND THE  
COMMUNITY Health  
Interconnected. More  
Public awareness to  
Worker Health & Safety**



# Pandemics are Traumatic & Devastating Workplace Trauma Happens Everyday



**Don't let a disaster happen without Organizing  
around it!**

# SAFE WORKERS=SAFE FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES



## COSH Activity Has Increased Tenfold During Pandemic

- Building Relationships with Allies [Unions NGOs]
- Media stories & Relationships
- Participation of Activists/Workers
- Funders/Public
- Organizers





*National COSH Co-Executive Director **Jessica Martinez**, discussing how COVID-19 affects workers with MSNBC's Rachel Maddow, May 22, 2020*





*National COSH's **Peter Dooley** talks about what's safe – and what isn't – when businesses re-open on Good Morning America on Saturday, June 20*

[www.nationalcosh.org](http://www.nationalcosh.org)

## SAFE AND JUST RETURN TO WORK

A Worker-Centered Guide:  
[tinyurl.com/safejustreturn](https://tinyurl.com/safejustreturn)

#SafeAndJustReturnToWork





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Leading the fight for safe and healthy workplaces

ABOUT TAKE ACTION NEWS CORONAVIRUS RESOURCES CAMPAIGNS CONFERENCE WORKERS' MEMORIAL WEEK

A SAFE AND JUST RETURN TO WORK

UN REGRESO SEGURO Y JUSTO AL TRABAJO

COMPARACION DE WORK

COMPARACION EN EL TRABAJO

## COVID-19 RESOURCES

Created by National COSH

- Workers' Stories
- Campaigns for Protections
- Safe and Just Return to Work Report Briefing

### ESSENTIAL WORKERS TOWN HALL

**Special speakers:**  
Academy Award Winning Actress & Activist Jamey Fox & Occupational Medicine Expert and Activist Dr. Linnea Rose Murray

Wednesday, May 20th  
1pm ET/2pm CT/10am PT

REGISTER TODAY! [HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/COSHTOWNHALL](https://tinyurl.com/coshtownhall)

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### OUR MISSION

The National Council for Occupational Safety and Health is dedicated to promoting safe and healthy working conditions for all working people through organizing and advocacy. Our belief that almost all work-related

Tweets by @NationalCOSH 


 **COSH Network**  
@NationalCOSH  
COSH op-ed: How workers are fighting for – and winning – protections from COVID-19.

# COVID FATALITY DATABASE

COVID-19 Fatalities among essential workers in the US - Publicly Reported

The following is by no means inclusive of all essential workers who have died of COVID-19. It includes those we have collected from publicly available sources and members of our network.

First name	Last name	Date of death	Age	Sex	Occupation	Primary employer	Company City	State	Immig	Race/Ethnicity	In
Aaron	Godfrey										
Adrian	Phillips	2020-04-01	43								
Al Terek	Patterson	2020-04-12	38								
Alaa	Khalil		60								
Alan	Finder	2020-03-24	72								
Alba	Juliano	2020-03-25	73	F							
Alberto	Camacho	2020-04-03									
Alejandro	Bustamante	2020-04-01									
Alex	Bass	2020-04-10	53								
Alex	Frazier										
Alex	Hsu	2020-03-26	67	Male	Internal Medicine Physician	Northwest Medical Center	Margate	FL			Hi
Alex	Ruperto	2020-04-16	52	Male	Police Detective	Union City Police Department	Union City	NJ			Li
Alexander	Gusev	2020-04-09	57	Male	Medical Technician; Protodeacon	Russian Orthodox Church Abroad	Reno	NV	Yes	Russian	Hi



Valeria Viveros, age 21, died 4/10/2020  
Nurse Assistant Extended Care  
Hospital of Riverside Corona CA

[Sample of info gathered from data]





# Essential Workers Memorial Video Launch

[www.coshnetwork.org/Essential](http://www.coshnetwork.org/Essential)

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BENJAMIN,  
70**

MEAT FABRICATION  
WORKER  
SOUDERTON, PA



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**SUSANA  
PABATAO, 64**

ASSISTANT NURSE  
PALISADES, NJ



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**JERRY  
COOPER**

POSTAL WORKER -  
UNION ACTIVIST  
GRAND BLANC, MI



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# TAKE ACTION!

## ¡ENTRA EN ACCIÓN!

- **Join with coworkers, unions, worker centers: organize!**

*Únete a compañerxs de trabajo, sindicatos, centros de trabajadores: ¡organízate!*

- **Demand immediate protections and worker involvement in a COVID Protection Plan**

*Exige protecciones inmediatas y participación de lxs trabajadorxs en un plan de protección COVID*

- **Support worker-led campaigns**

*Apoye las campañas dirigidas por trabajadorxs*





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