



COME TO SATURDAY'S , JULY 12, 2003 MASS MARCH ON BENTON HARBOR, MICHIGAN

WHAT: The Southwest Michigan Coalition Against Racism & Police Brutality and the Benton Harbor chapter of the Black Autonomy Network of Community Organizers (BANCO) will hold a mass march and rally against racism and police brutality in Benton Harbor, Mich., on *Saturday, July 12.*

WHERE: Downtown Benton Harbor. We will assemble at 10 a.m. at the Benton Harbor City Hall, 200 E. Wall Street. At 11 a.m. we will march to the Berrien County Courthouse, 811 Port St., in St. Joseph, for a rally at noon.

WHY: There have been years of racist violence and police brutality by local police against the Black population of Benton Harbor. There has now been an uprising on June 17 and 18, 2003 by the Black youth of the city after the death of yet another Black victim of police terror. **To deny justice and ignore racism is an incitement to violence.** We join in solidarity with the rights of the people to protest police brutality and economic apartheid. **Please come and stand with us!** We want busloads of people to come from around the country to COME and protest the racism and police brutality that has gone unchecked in Benton Harbor for almost 40 years.

If your organization would like to endorse the march and rally, please contact the Chairwoman of the Southwest Michigan Coalition Against Racism and Police Brutality, JoNina M. Abron, at jonina1.1@juno.com, or if you are in the Benton Harbor/St. Joseph/South Bend area contact Rev. Edward Pinkney, Benton Harbor BANCO, (269) 925-0001. More details about the march will be forthcoming for media contacts.

WHAT DO WE WANT? JUSTICE! WHEN DO WE WANT IT? NOW!

NO JUSTICE, NO PEACE!

Please spread the word : ALL OUT FOR SATURDAY, JULY 12th!