

# **PRISONERS IN COLLINS BAY ON STRIKE OVER 30% PAY CUT**

- Prisoners in Collins Bay (and elsewhere in ON, QC, NB and SK) are on strike to protest a 30% pay cut and elimination of CORCAN incentive pay.
- Despite inflation, inmates have not had a pay raise in 32 years though costs have risen more than 700%.
- Until now, the maximum wage was \$6.90/day but only a few prisoners received that much. Average pay was \$3/day, out of which prisoners are expected to pay for items like soap, shampoo, Tylenol, stamps, and phone calls to loved ones.
- Corrections Canada is now clawing back a large portion of prisoners' already meagre wages. This attack is only the latest in a long line of brutal measures inflicted on prisoners in the name of "cost recovery"

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PRISONERS ON STRIKE  
WE STAND FOR A WORLD WITHOUT  
PRISONS**

Nearly 200 prisoners held for immigration detention in Lindsay, ON are on strike over deteriorating conditions and their indefinite detention itself. Prisoners are on hunger strike and at least one person is on a dry hunger strike. At least 6 prisoners have been hospitalized so far. We support their resistance and call for an end to immigration detention! For more information, visit [endimmigrationdetention.wordpress.com](http://endimmigrationdetention.wordpress.com)

Inmates at Collins Bay are filing a lawsuit against the federal government over a mass transfer of prisoners into Collins Bay, increasing double-bunking rates to near 20% as well as the risk of violence inside the prison. Read the inmate committee statement at [epic.noblogs.org](http://epic.noblogs.org)

The closure of Kingston Penitentiary comes at a time when incarceration is on the rise. For the United Way to have the regional CSC commissioner Lori MacDonald as its fundraising chair and profit from misery tourism at KP is deeply repugnant.

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