Hi there,

I'm writing to you from the Media Consortium, a network of leading independent media organizations.  We are about to announce a ground-breaking collaborative effort to cover the US Social Forum next week in Detroit.  Over a dozen media outlets and non-profit allies will participate in USSFwire, delivering a stream of breaking news and collaborative reporting.  **We wanted to be sure that you knew about it first, as this is an excellent, low-cost opportunity to engage your audiences!**

Over ten thousand activists and media professionals will be convening in Detroit next week to discuss and act on a wide variety of social justice issues. **The USSFwire project will provide media and non-profit organizations with breaking reporting and fresh multimedia content to engage their constituencies at no cost.**

We've got media producers like People’s Media Center at the USSF, *Colorlines*, Public News Service, *Yes! Magazine*, FreeSpeechTV, *GRITtv*, Inter Press Service, *The Progressive*, Truthout, the National Radio Project, *In These Times* and more participating!

Here’s how you can benefit:

1. Host a **USSF headline widget** on your site, or use the USSFwire to share media content for syndication/republishing. Headline feeds and stories will be hosted on the People's Media Center NewsHub, among other places as long as it credits the original source.
2. Sign up for our **daily top story alerts by emailing** **erin@themediaconsortium.com**. Alerts will arrive in your inbox at noon everyday from June 22-26. This content will be available for any organization to syndicate, so long as it credits the original source.

You can also help by sharing stories through your social networks and telling all your friends about this news feed.

We really appreciate your help! Let me know if you have any further questions.

Cheers,

Erin

**About The Media Consortium**The Media Consortium is a network of over 40 leading, progressive, independent media outlets from print, radio, online, and television including *Mother Jones, The Nation,* AlterNet, Link TV and more. It was formed five years ago to amplify independent media's voice, increase its collective clout, leverage current audiences and reach new ones, and last but not least, seize the moment to change the national debate. For the last five years, The Media Consortium has been on the front lines of the changing media landscape and is leading independent media outlets into a new era for journalism. (<http://www.themediaconsortium.org>)