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## Occupy Humboldt Takes it to the Banks

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Arcata, Calif., — In solidarity with the nationwide movement, Occupy Humboldt is planning a day of action for Occupy The Banks on Oct. 15.

The initial idea behind Occupy The Banks is to get the 99 Percent to withdraw their money from large, corporate banking institutions, such as Bank of America which has plans to introduce a new \$5 monthly debit card fee. Instead, individuals are encouraged to bank with local institutions and credit unions.

Since corporations are recognized as people by our government, and their money is protected as political speech, the people are raising their “voices” and acting with their money.

"We all have different views, but we all realize that something needs to change with our current banking system," says Justin Gallant, occupier and HSU student.

Occupy Humboldt does not officially endorse any course of action, but encourages people to use the day to examine how they save and invest their money and the greater implications of those decisions. The hope is that people can act together to create positive alternatives and real economic justice.

The group will meet at 7th and H Streets in Arcata at 11:30 a.m. to create opportunities for reflection and action. Everyone is invited to participate. The regular 7 p.m. General Assembly, open to all, will follow.

While similar actions have also been publicized for Oct. 31, Nov. 3 and Nov. 5, among others, Occupy Humboldt will help celebrate Oct. 15 and each day of Occupy The Banks, as well.

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