State of Wisconsin Budget Hearings Let your voice be heard!

HEARINGS ON THE CONTROVERSIAL STATE BUDGET IN OUR AREA

The Wisconsin Joint Finance Committee will hold a public hearing to listen to what citizens think about Gov. Walker's State Budget on:

- Thurs., March 26 from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Reedsburg High School, CAL Center Auditorium, 1100 South Albert Avenue in Reedsburg.
- Tues., March 31 from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Dodgeville Council Chambers, 100 E. Fountain St. in Dodgeville.
- Written comments can be emailed to the committee at BudgetComments@legis.wisconsin.gov.

For specifics about the major cuts to many of our public institutions proposed in the budget, click here for <u>public schools</u>, for <u>Wisconsin public broadcasting</u>, for the <u>University of Wisconsin system</u>, for <u>SeniorCare</u> and for <u>Family Care</u>.

WHAT CAN YOU DO ABOUT IT? Here are four things you can do RIGHT NOW:

- 1) Attend the Reedsburg or Dodgeville hearing,
- 2) email your written comments to the Budget Committee,
- 3) contact your State Legislators and
- 4) write a letter to the editor (for tips and email addresses for local newspapers).
- 5) Contact State Senator Howard Marklein through his website http://legis.wisconsin.gov/senate/17/marklein/contact/ or call 608-266-0703. For Assemblyman Todd Novak, email him at Rep.Novak@legis.wisconsin.gov or call 888-534-0051. To find the contact info for other State Senators and State Representatives, go to http://legis.wisconsin.gov/. Keep your message short and to the point. Legislative staffs are tallying your opinions.