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## Brockport group plans 'awareness' event

The Brockport Ecumenical Outreach Committee (BEOC) will host the annual New York State Labor-Religion 40-hour Fast in Brockport on March 14. This is the 11th year of the celebration. This year the event draws public awareness and engagement into a national discussion affecting church charity work, the business of agriculture and recent migrants hoping to be part of this community. Other events take place throughout New York.

BEOC provides clothing assistance to those in need in the community and opportunities for bringing various sectors of the community together. In addition to the celebration of the beginning of the fast, BEOC

organizes La Bienvenida, a celebration at the beginning of the harvesting season to welcome those coming to work in the fields.

The Brockport event will take place in the Free Methodist Church, 6787 Fourth Section Road, Brockport at 6 p.m. A brief

ecumenical service will follow a potluck for intercultural sharing. The event is free, although attendees are asked to bring a dish to share if possible.

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