

SUPPORT



DANIEL



MCGOWAN



Daniel McGowan is an environmental and social justice activist from NYC who is featured in the documentary *If A Tree Falls*. Daniel was charged with arson and conspiracy and given the “terrorism enhancement” for his involvement in two environmentally motivated actions in Oregon in 2001. He was threatened with life plus 335 years in prison for his role in two acts of property destruction against Pacific Northwest corporations. Together with three of his co-defendants, Daniel decided to risk more jail time by holding out for a plea agreement that required no cooperation and guaranteed that no one else would be implicated. He was sentenced to seven years, and the judge recommended he serve time in a low-security prison. Daniel began serving his sentence in a July 2007.

In May of 2008, Daniel was moved from the low-security federal prison to which he had been assigned, without warning and without explanation. After a few days, he was able to alert his family that he had been moved to a controversial Communications Management Unit (CMU) at the U.S. Penitentiary in Marion, Illinois. In early 2011, after a brief transfer to general population in Marion, Daniel was unexpectedly transferred back to a CMU, this time at FCI Terre Haute in Indiana.

CMUs are experimental prison units created by the Bush administration in 2006 to house prisoners with so-called “terrorism” related charges. These units were designed to severely monitor and control the communications of certain prisoners and isolate them from the rest of the prison population and the outside world. CMUs allow for extremely limited access to friends and family. Daniel’s moves to the CMUs at Marion and Terre Haute were a serious shock considering he had no prior infractions, communications-related or otherwise, and had actually received an exceptional team review from the first institution in which he was held. The reasons for these moves to the CMU remain vague and there is no legitimate review process to transfer out.

The Center for Constitutional Rights has filed a lawsuit on behalf of Daniel and several other plaintiffs, including his wife, Jenny Synan, challenging violations of fundamental constitutional rights, including the right to due process at the CMUs. For more info, please go to our web site: www.supportdaniel.org and www.ccrjustice.org/cmu

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WAYS TO HELP

HELP WITH DANIEL'S LEGAL FUND:

Daniel is still very much in need of legal assistance. He continues to fight in the legal arena dealing with a variety of situations that have come up over the last year. Please help add to Daniel's legal fund by donating online via Paypal. To send a check, please e-mail us at friendsofdanielmcg@yahoo.com for arrangements.

GET A 'SUPPORT DANIEL' T-SHIRT:

We have a wonderful design on sweatshop-free t-shirts in a variety of sizes and colors. Order yours at supportdaniel.org/morehelp/shirts.html or through the mail.

GET ON THE ANNOUNCEMENT LIST:

The list sends out the latest information. Get updates, info on benefits, pertinent articles and ways to help. Sign up at http://lists.riseup.net/www/info/supportdaniel_announce or email us at friendsofdanielmcg@yahoo.com and we'll put you on.

HOST A BENEFIT IN YOUR CITY:

Plan an event to raise money and awareness. Any help that you can offer is appreciated. Events that discuss the political implications of Daniel's case and the "Green Scare" are important to educate people. December 7th marks the date Daniel was arrested.

ADD YOUR NAME TO THE LIST OF SUPPORTERS:

Email us with your name, profession (if any), affiliation (if any) and city/state/country and we will add you to our list of supporters on the support website.

CHECK OUT DANIEL ON FACEBOOK AND TWITTER:

Add Daniel to your social media circles. Go to the Support Daniel McGowan group on Facebook and follow @[support_daniel](https://twitter.com/support_daniel) on Twitter.

LINK TO THE SUPPORT DANIEL WEBSITE:

You can put support Daniel web banners on your blog/website and link them to supportdaniel.org.

WRITE TO DANIEL:

Check the "News & Updates" or "Prison Life" pages online for Daniel's current mailing address and mailing guidelines.



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