

# **GASWORK**

## **THE FIGHT FOR CJ's LAW**

## **SCREENING GUIDE**

**Thank you for hosting a GASWORK screening in your community!**

A new study coming out in the American Sociological Review shows that grassroots screenings of GASLAND were a fundamental part of raising awareness on fracking. They found *"Local screenings of 'Gasland' contributed to anti-fracking mobilizations, which, in turn, affected the passage of local fracking moratoria."*

That means the organizing we're doing together is working! But honestly, we didn't need a study to tell us that. Touring all over the world with the GASLAND films we've met hundreds of folks from local grassroots groups who have stood up to protect their communities from fracking. And more people are joining the movement every day with new, local organizations popping up all over to fight fracking and fracked gas infrastructure.

Because of your work, millions of people have been educated about the dangers of fracking. Momentum against fracking and extreme energy development is growing. But we've still got a lot of work to do.

One of the industry's biggest PR selling points is all the 'good' jobs fracking is creating. In GASWORK, industry workers themselves shatter that myth and expose these jobs for what they truly are – dangerous jobs that poison communities and kill workers.

Get your community together. Share it with everyone you can. We know that together, we can make sure energy jobs in American are safe for workers and communities.

Thank you for everything you do,  
Josh Fox, Filmmaker  
Lee Ziesche, Grassroots Coordinator

# ABOUT THE FILM

A LIFE **LOST** IN THE  
RUSH TO DRILL...



In 2012, Josh met the Bevins family at an anti-fracking rally in Philadelphia. They were holding signs that said "A life lost in the rush to drill."

GASWORK, follows Charlotte Bevins as she fights for CJ's Law- a bill to protect workers named for her brother CJ Bevins, who died on an unsafe drilling site.

In the film, Josh Fox investigates worker safety and chemical risk, interviewing many workers who have been asked to clean drill sites, transport radioactive and carcinogenic chemicals, steam clean the inside of condensate tanks which contain harmful volatile organic compounds, polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons and other chemicals and have been told to do so with no safety equipment.

When we hear politicians and gas companies extoll the virtues of fracking, jobs created by drilling is usually high on their list of talking points. But the jobs created by fracking are not the kind of quality jobs American workers deserve. They are extremely dangerous, exposing workers to chemicals whose long-term impacts on human health are yet unknown. In fact, the fatality rate of oil field jobs is seven times greater than the national average.

New York State Senator Tony Avella has drafted a bill to address worker safety. The Bevins family is working to get it passed in New York and hope it can be a model for worker safety laws in other states.

# TAKE ACTION

## NEW YORK - SUPPORT CJ's LAW

NY Senator Tony Avella has introduced CJ's Law and needs letters of support to get it passed in New York State. Drop him a quick note saying you stand with workers and support CJ's Law.

[Contact NY Senator Tony Avella- Let him know you support CJ's Law](#)

## OTHER STATES - SUPPORT CJ's LAW

Contact us at [screenings@gaslandthemovie.com](mailto:screenings@gaslandthemovie.com) to find out how you can introduce CJ's Law in your state.

## PROTECT WORKERS

Fracking sites operate 24 hours a day, and many of the most common jobs are dangerous, with accidents and explosions taking lives. On the job, workers are also chronically exposed to numerous hazards, from temperature extremes, to low-level radiation from radioactive material, to air toxics.

[Sign the petition - Tell OSHA to protect workers from the dangers of drilling and fracking](#)

## BAN FRACKING ON PUBLIC LAND

Workers from the industry are telling us that fracking is dangerous and puts our health, safety and environment at risk. They're also saying no amount of regulation can make fracking safe. Banning fracking on public lands will help protect our air and water and send a strong message that America will not sacrifice public health for oil and gas industry profits.

[Sign the petition - Ban fracking on public lands](#)

## WORKERS - COME FORWARD

Join GasVets to connect with other workers who are fighting for better conditions in the oil and gas fields.

[Contact GasVets](#)

More resources....

Death on the gas field illustrates high risks of the rush to drill: <http://www.eenews.net/stories/1059976658>

Why did these workers die:

<http://www.wsj.com/articles/why-did-these-oil-workers-die-1429664008>

Workers are paying for cheap gas with their lives:

<http://www.politico.com/magazine/story/2015/06/bakken-oil-fields-investigation-118991>

How shale oil can kill:

<http://www.eenews.net/stories/1060024589>

Tragedy spurs sister's fight to protect oil and gas workers:

<https://www.wvaj.org/index.cfm?pg=BevinsNamedAdvocateforJustice>

Find out how many jobs the transition to renewables would create in your state: <http://thesolutionsproject.org/>

You can reach us at [screenings@gaslandthemovie.com](mailto:screenings@gaslandthemovie.com) if you have any questions.