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Dear friends of folk music,

Folk festivals and Sing out! grew up together. The magazine has always and will continue to support your festival six times a year with good songs and heated controversy. Your purpose and ours is clearly one and the same: to promote the living music of people, not the plastic media distortion.

This letter is an urgent call for help. Our survival is at stake. Sing Out's small, dedicated staff--too long carrying the double burden of a large debt and overwork--is now facing cutbacks in the size and quality of the magazine.

For 28 years Sing Out! has been printing songs and reminding people that the best of them weren't born in a sound studio, but in fields, streets and homes—sweet fruit of hard times. Because this little magazine refuses to view music as a commodity, because it chooses not to worship the stars of the commercial arena, it has managed to survive from year to year only with the support of friends and readers.

We are asking you, the men and women who organize folk festivals, to support Sing Out! by donating a small portion of your festival's proceeds this year, to help clear a debt to a patient printer, and to help initiate the kind of promotional work necessary to expand readership.

Let us hear from you. Can you help us to keep singing out?

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