1. Record Nr. UNINA9910460015403321 Autore Rubio Philip F Titolo There's always work at the post office [[electronic resource]]: African American postal workers and the fight for jobs, justice, and equality // Philip F. Rubio Chapel Hill,: University of North Carolina Press, 2010 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 1-4696-0405-1 0-8078-9573-3 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (473 p.) Disciplina 331.6/396073 Soggetti African American postal service employees - History African Americans - Employment - History Postal service - Employees - Labor unions - United States - History Electronic books. Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto Introduction -- Who worked at the post office (before 1940)? --Fighting Jim Crow at home during World War II (1940-1946) -- Blackled movement in the early Cold War (1946-1950) -- Fighting Jim Crow and McCarthyism (1947-1954) -- Collapsing Jim Crow postal unionism in the 1950's (1954-1960) -- Interesting convergences in the early sixties post office (1960-1963) -- Black women in the 1960's post office and postal unions (1960-1969) -- Civil rights postal unionism (1963-1966) -- Prelude to a strike (1966-1970) -- The great postal wildcat strike of 1970 -- Post-strike (1970-1971) -- Epilogue --Conclusion. Sommario/riassunto This book brings to life the important but neglected story of African American postal workers and the critical role they played in the U.S. labor and black freedom movements. Historian Philip Rubio, a former postal worker, integrates civil rights, labor, and left movement histories that too often are written as if they happened separately. Centered on New York City and Washington, D.C., the book chronicles a struggle of national significance through its examination of the post office, a

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