

Merger Proposal

1. Federal positions, unless we can achieve a majority, are to be used for introducing legislation that benefits the working class and has a focus on individual justice (to the environment, social justice, economic justice, etc.)
2. The party will have no official leadership structure, but rather we will govern ourselves by direct consensus, or where there is none, be placed to a vote. We place importance in the voices of all people instead of a select few, and so the voices of the people should be valued.
3. Incumbents shall keep seats. Because State Representatives and Federal Representatives have earned their seats, they shall keep them after a merger. And when it is time for reelection, if the incumbent chooses, they will be placed at the top of a D'Hondt listing.
4. Same logo and newspaper; The Progressive dissolves, but editors can edit and publish in the party newspaper.
5. The party will be formed on the principles as follows:
 - a. Anti-hierarchal: while not all hierarchies are inherently bad (there is a difference between a leader and a ruler), the party will be formed on an opposition to exploitative hierarchies, such as imperialism (economic, political or otherwise), *laissez-faire* capitalism, and various other bigoted hierarchies (such as racism, sexism, homophobia, cissexism, etc.)
 - b. Solidarity: around the world and at home, the party will stand in solidarity with all other leftist groupings and individuals, in order to show our support for the work they are doing.
 - c. Environmentalism: the party believes humanity occupies a stewardship role in relation to the environment and as such seeks to maintain harmony with the environment through preservation and conservation efforts. The party will seek to reverse the exploitative and destructive effects of free-range capitalism on the environment, which belongs to all people.
6. Electoral focus will be on first current strongholds and then into new territories, to ensure that we can only grow in power and being the voice of the people.

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8. No electoral deals are to be made with parties that are expressly reactionary (such as the GOP and the Libertarians).