

Episode 441 Links

Debt Ceiling Tweet: <https://twitter.com/YangDailyCast/status/1446677237936230404>

Debt Ceiling Article: <https://t.co/9ziTIBqPRu?amp=1>

Forward Party Website: <https://www.forwardparty.com/>

FWD Party Clarity Thread: <https://twitter.com/YangDailyCast/status/1446619872343957512>

Fung Bros Interview: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s9pbfpuMAN4>

Karen Hunter Interview: <https://t.co/QuPYyX76E1?amp=1>

Wolf Blitzer Interview: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wKMPxMACTb0>

Anderson Interview: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KDwWdJy4e-4>

Don Lemon Interview: <https://twitter.com/AndrewYang/status/1445794281038311424>

C-Span Interview: <https://twitter.com/cspanwj/status/1445779380383404032>

Young Turks: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qLvwPKVgbl4>

Good Morning America Interview: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PV5OVEEiAFM>

Sam Harris Interview: <https://t.co/el9XAbebo3?amp=1>

Reality Check Interview: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k06FPs04u3I>

Tucker Carlson Interview: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=doWCij_Lw7U

Leave the Echo Chamber: <https://twitter.com/YangDailyCast/status/1446589650798137345>

RCV Bill Tweet: <https://twitter.com/scottisantens/status/1445782373455384586?s=20>

RCV Bill: <https://t.co/kkgYHHR6rd?amp=1>

RCV Bill Summary: <https://t.co/Mbse64Nrgp?amp=1>

Full Bill: <https://t.co/rTNEG6XEKl?amp=1>

Recent Events Links

YangDaily Patreon: <https://www.patreon.com/YangDaily>

Humanity Forward's Website: <https://movehumanityforward.com/>

Yang's Mayoral Website: <https://www.yangforny.com/>

Income Movement's Website: <https://www.incomemovement.com/>

Scott Santens' Website: <https://www.scottsantens.com/>

Volunteer with MATH Movement:

<https://twitter.com/YangDailyCast/status/1341567237371568128>

Volunteer with Humanity Forward: <https://t.co/XIsQMIDOGS?amp=1>

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Ride to the Polls: Call 1 (800) 874-1541

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Contact any of your representatives: <https://www.usa.gov/elected-officials>

Contact your Senator: <https://www.senate.gov/senators/senators-contact.htm>

Fax your Senators: <https://t.co/fLW3KePepp?amp=1>

Fax your House Representatives: <https://t.co/c9BdlI1S4L?amp=1>

BailoutThePeople Resource Hub: BailoutThePeople.com

Cash'O'Clock Pledge: <https://t.co/rngP8b3fv9?amp=1>

OneCheckIsNotEnough Letter: <https://t.co/GZhvoUHx02?amp=1>

Treacle's Letter to Congress: <https://t.co/1Kfcgx2cEE?amp=1>

Scott's Pre-Baked UBI Letter: Text "sign UBI" to "50409" or @ResistBot

Previous UBI Pre-Baked Letter: Text "sign OTBAXN" to "50409" or @ResistBot

IM's Letter to Congress: <https://t.co/pmSWWGFzCx?amp=1>

My Own Template Letter You Can Use: <https://t.co/BdzmrUnCDv?amp=1>

FfH UBI Petition: <https://fundforhumanity.org/petition/>

WA UBI Letter/Petition: <https://twitter.com/openletterbot/status/1328074085230809089>

WA UBI Letter/Petition: Text "Sign PCCEWN" to 50409

Peoples' Stimulus Petition: <https://t.co/gF0xJm3VI8?amp=1>

Trump UBI Petition: <https://t.co/jTUsfEESkM?amp=1>

DNC EUBI Petition: <https://t.co/rGdldUljr8?amp=1>

McConnel/Schumer Peoples' Stimulus Petition: <https://t.co/gF0xJm3VI8?amp=1>

Tim Ryan's BI Petition: <https://t.co/bZkEMnLOwg?amp=1>

List of Congresspeople Supporting Basic Income:
<https://twitter.com/i/lists/1254888925916782594>

Twitter Handles of All Senators: <https://twitter.com/ZarMarquez/status/1249411690350784513>

Schumer/McConnell UBI Petition: <https://t.co/TKxIjp3cEM?amp=1>

UBI Petition to White House: <https://t.co/xw3kdgBigf?amp=1>

Change.org UBI Petition: <https://t.co/pHrylfMcJm?amp=1>

Income Movement Volunteer Signup: <https://t.co/Hjg6A7umYF?amp=1>

RepresentUs Anti-Corruption Act: <https://act.represent.us/sign/what-anti-corruption-act/>

RepresentUs Website: <https://represent.us/>

AGI Mayoral Coalition List: <https://twitter.com/i/lists/1277639894031048709/members>

Mayors for a Guaranteed Income Website: <https://www.mayorsforagi.org/who>

Contact for Mayors to Join: info@mayorsforagi.org

Mayors for Guaranteed Income Twitter: <https://twitter.com/mayorsforagi>

Economic Security Project: <https://www.economicsecurityproject.org/>

Basic Income March Website: <https://t.co/IXLn58scDI?amp=1>

RepresentUs RCV Petition: <https://t.co/nr7RoLtgBH?amp=1>

RCV Petition: <https://sign.voterchoice2020.org/>

Poor Peoples' Police Petition: <https://t.co/BeThFhHtUj?amp=1>

Murder Charges and Anti-Choke Law Petition: <http://chnng.it/mQG8M67GXp>

Anti-Brutality Policies Petition: <https://t.co/SbyWdzKojF?amp=1>

Murder Charge Petition: <https://t.co/nP49ZOA1GE?amp=1>

Defund The Police Petition: <https://t.co/5C0SQFpZjy?amp=1>

My Tweet on Protest Coordination:
<https://twitter.com/YangDailyCast/status/1267671346961453056>

Retro Anti-Fascism Ad: <https://twitter.com/YangDailyCast/status/1268134403416285184>

Mission Asset Emergency Grants/Loans: <https://t.co/ksX0ano02n?amp=1>

H3 Relief Giveaway Tweet: <https://twitter.com/h3h3productions/status/1250136741668884481>

Humanity Forward Relief Website: <https://movehumanityforward.com/covid-relief/>

United Way COVID Relief Fund: <https://www.unitedway.org/recovery/covid19> Call: 211

Movement Links

Humanity Forward Endorsed Candidates:

<https://t.co/mGyzlf3Xto?amp=1>

Smile.Amazon.com Charity Link:

<https://t.co/keu2JhOtCg?amp=1>

UBI Daily Action Plan Calendar:

<https://t.co/kncCgARUMx?amp=1>

Humanity Forward Website:

<https://movehumanityforward.com/>

Humanity Forward Donation Link:

<https://t.co/CAyumCtJVE?amp=1>

Humanity Forward Twitter:

<https://twitter.com/HumanityForward>

Sign onto the Humanity Organizing Corps!:

<https://t.co/NPLDPm8RyR?amp=1>

Humanity Forward Fund:

<https://secure.actblue.com/donate/2ForHumanity>

YangGang Hub on Twitter:

<https://twitter.com/HumanityForYang>

YangGang Media Hub:

<https://accordion-fish-cznw.squarespace.com/>

IM Aid Database:

<https://t.co/ixtzMSS0b4?amp=1>

IM Daily Conference Call:

<https://t.co/hlzU5yqVSv?amp=1>

IM Call Recording on YouTube:

<https://t.co/JMAwcGGvNp?amp=1>

IM Volunteer Portal:

<https://t.co/ExdZFGglTR?amp=1>

UBI Caucus Website (Support UBI to lookup Caucus candidates):

<https://us.openubiproject.org/>

UBI Caucus Discord:

<https://t.co/l6rbrzKdcw?amp=1>

UBI Caucus Questionnaire:

<https://t.co/AlmMWbXA4N?amp=1>

Income Movement Site:

<https://www.incomemovement.com/>

HumanityFirst Discord:

<https://t.co/5czsLScuy4?amp=1>

Scott's Discord:

<https://t.co/gPWENCnN4t?amp=1>

Forward National Committee:

<https://twitter.com/FNCAmerica/status/1227608349652316163>

Scott's Discord:

<https://t.co/TOVb5KD3QU?amp=1>

Scott's Newsletter:

<https://t.co/kt9ennSKcN?amp=1>

Scott's YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCqnjxh343MA6i19crvOaZlq>

Aspiration Bank Referral:

<https://twitter.com/scottisantens/status/1248666389289844739>

Use YangGang referral links for the Robinhood stock app (up to \$500 in free stock) to donate!:

<https://invite.robinhood.com/brysont80>

Submit your Robinhood referral link here to earn more:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe0z-v1vXQQyQSiVkZNzj6vDcbI3-3MJuU6_yvjqL-lfY-RVA/viewform

Make a SoFi bank account using a YangGang referral link and invite others for \$25 each!

<https://twitter.com/scottisantens/status/1204157548494032902>

Download the UBDIncome app and earn money for your data!

<https://twitter.com/UBDIncome>

Creative Donating Compilation:

<https://twitter.com/YangDailyCast/status/1223483328512196609>

Richard's Max Donor Math: Saving \$2/day for 2024 = Max Donor!

Guide to stickers, flyers, cards, banners, buttons, signs, and more:

<https://yangprints.com/>

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1HZQDxeFA5wtVVqNMuWyIVBVOafZyGQvu8xalzLg_GJI/view

Door Hangers:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1BzSTM9RyEDN6RR-u_IBm3YjibZw7tBqu/view

Donate by Buying Merchandise; Rep the Gang!:

<https://shop.yang2020.com/collections/artist-collaborations>

<https://yanggangpinkhat.com/>

YangYangGangGang Merch:

<https://www.yangyangganggang.com/>

Original YangGang Pink Hat:

<https://yanggangpinkhat.com/>

Donate Merch to other YangGang!:

<https://yangswagangels.com/>

James Treacle's YouTube UBI Advertising:

<https://t.co/6XU4usb4Aw?amp=1>

James Treacle's UBI Advertising Patreon:

<https://t.co/qPWskGucoS?amp=1>

My Argument for Universality:

<https://twitter.com/YangDailyCast/status/1240926598586482688>

People's Party Twitter: @4aPeoplesParty

People's Party Website:

<https://t.co/yh3HnN3U2W?amp=1>

Episode 441 Script

Welcome back to Yang Daily! I'll be your host, Alex Chaney, bringin' you all the Yang news you need to live your life right. Sorry for being late! I've had to do birthday shopping for 3 people at once, and they're not easy to buy for. Then there's the deluge of Yang news going on and, as you know, I'm not good at calling a stop to an episode's topics when there's more to go, so we've got a longer episode! Tomorrow will be mostly UBI news. For today, there's action on the debt ceiling, the Forward Party, and RCV. Let's get into it.

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-First off, the debt ceiling crisis has been delayed. In face of the GOP blocking a debt ceiling raise, and Manchin & Friends refusing to alter the filibuster, Democratic leadership got Manchin's grudging cooperation to delay the debt ceiling fight until December, when they plan to stuff it into the reconciliation bill, right alongside the kitchen sink. I was just thinking we needed more riding on that piece of legislation.

GOP leadership has vowed to allow the U.S. to default on its debt, rather than work with Democrats. The debt ceiling has been raised dozens of times. It is used by the minority party as a threat, to obstruct the party in power and extract compromises. Trump, as always, says the quiet part out loud, saying of McConnell, quote: "He's got all the cards with the debt ceiling, it's time to play the hand." End quote. The debt ceiling pretty much does nothing but facilitate obstruction.

-Next, we're back to Forward Party business. The website has been fleshed out. It now has missions statements, policies, FAQ, etc.. So, let's see what we can learn. First, we have a couple mission statements that reinforce it will be more of an advocacy group than a party. I'm skipping some fluff bits here. Quote:

"We need to push for open primaries and ranked-choice voting in Congressional races around the country... This is an inclusive movement. You can participate while retaining your current party registration if you'd like, as we know that in many locations de-registering would effectively disenfranchise you from your local politics. Forward is positive and practical. We believe in people of every political alignment that want to help the country.

We will support candidates for office who align with our core principles so that we can reform the system and make it more responsive to the American people. This means that we will support Republicans, Democrats, and Independents - as well as candidates identifying themselves as Forward Party members.

We will also work with organizations that are promoting democracy reform in order to promote policies such as Ranked-Choice Voting, Open Primaries, and easier ballot access for third parties." End quote.

Then we have some answers to what we really want to know, courtesy of the frequently asked questions section. Quote:

"Will the Forward Party support or run candidates?"

Yes, the Forward Party will support candidates for offices from the local to the national. If you are a candidate who agrees with the Forward Party's core principles, you can apply for support here. We will support candidates running as Democrats, Republicans, Independents, and any other party who supports our goals, starting with Open Primaries and Ranked-Choice Voting.

Are you concerned that the Forward Party will just be a spoiler?

...due to the current electoral process, in the vast majority of races the Forward Party will be involved in, the candidate is likely to be running as a member of one of the major parties."

So, they will "support" candidates, mostly from the duopoly (and, due to current GOP stances on democracy, mostly Democrats), as well as a few independents. As expected. Now for the concerning one. Quote:

"Will there be a Forward candidate for President in 2024?"

It's too soon to tell, but if there is demand for a third party candidate, the Forward Party may look to address it. The Forward Party may hold its own primary process to nominate a candidate." End quote.

This one is straight poison. The number one thing that can doom the Forward Party is Democrats thinking it will get Trump re-elected. This answer does NOT dispel that fear. How it *should* read is "We are not currently planning to run a presidential candidate. We will reconsider, if RCV or another non-pluralistic voting scheme is adopted." That is what it needs to say.

I get wanting to retain the option, because maybe Democrats try running Biden, with an approval rating of "go F yourself," making a 3rd party Yang run the only hope of defeating Trump. It's all too possible. But, as Yang himself says, 3rd party winning the presidential is not realistic with the current rules. Even though most Americans would prefer Yang to Trump, the anti-3rd party barriers in the election system would probably give Trump the win anyway.

On the other hand, anything that leaves the door open to Forward being a spoiler is going to sink this effort right to the bottom of the ocean, if it hasn't already. We need to get them to change this and get Yang to be definitive about it every time he talks about the party. Message

Yang and the new @Fwd_Party Twitter if you agree. There's also a thread in the description with all this information.

Next we have the guiding principles, which all candidates will have to promote. These are:

Ranked-Choice Voting and Open Primaries,

Fact-Based Governance,

Human-Centered Capitalism,

Effective and Modern Government,

UBI, and

Grace and Tolerance.

There's a description for each but they don't add much specificity. But, there's also the policy list, which currently consists of:

The American Scorecard,

Term Limits,

Ranked Choice Voting,

Open Primaries,

Independent Redistricting Commissions,

Data Rights,

Ban on Revolving Door for Politicians,

Citizen's Portal,

Department Of Technology,
Automatic Tax Filing,
Democracy Dollars,
American Exchange Program,
Civic Juries, and
Accessible and Secure Voting.

So, mostly democracy reforms. A couple oddities in there, like Data Rights and Automatic Taxes. We don't have time to go over the details for them today – we'll do that another time – but I will mention that their definition of “open primaries” is, quote: “...everyone who wants to run for a given office enters the same primary, and the top vote getters move on to the general election. Candidates can identify with a party or not.” End quote. In other words, jungle primaries, plus ranked-choice voting.

-Andrew's been making serious rounds to promote the party and his book. In just the last few days he's been on CNN multiple times - with Anderson Cooper, Don Lemon, Reality Check, and Wolf Blitzer - on Good Morning America, The Young Turks, the Sam Harris and Karen Hunter podcasts, even on Fox, with Tucker Carlson. I think my personal favorite was the informal interview with the Fung Bros., though Karen Hunter is also great, as far as I've gotten through it, just as her previous interview of Yang was.

What was most disappointing around these was people blithely writing Yang off in the comments, for one superficial reason or another, and, particularly, on the Tucker interview. Pretty dominant Twitter comments trying to cancel Yang just for going there, much as when he did the same during the presidential race. It's fundamentally absurd and demonstrative of the tribalism Yang is looking to mitigate. You don't change anything by hiding in echo chambers and complaining to your clones. If you want to make progress in a democracy, you have to convince the people who disagree with you. And if you want to do that, you have to speak to them. We should want those people hearing MORE reasonable perspectives, not less.

What was most *surprising* was the host of CNN's Reality Check being allowed to express a lot of sympathy for a 3rd party. He gave a great review of the facts around the viability of 3rd parties

and Independents, how they often work within the duopoly, and how its a very different situation running state and local races as independent or 3rd party vs presidential.

Otherwise, the cable appearances were very brief and nothing new. I haven't made it through the podcasts yet, but all the interview links are below, if you're interested.

-Finally, for today, I'm pleased to announce that a bill called The Voter Choice Act has been introduced to Congress, which would provide \$40 million in federal grants to cover up to 50% of the cost, along with other assistance, for switching to ranked-choice voting, for local and state governments that choose to do so. Basically, the same thing that's in the Freedom to Vote Act, but standalone. I'd prefer it include approval and STAR voting too but, I'll take it. Let your representatives know your thoughts.

-And that'll do it for today's Yang Daily! Bookmark and share the Forward Party website and clarifying information, Your favorite interview, and the RCV bill, Flood congress with calls, tweets, faxes, and letters, using the Resistbot or Income Movement easy contacts below, If you need help, Consult Humanity Forward, the Income Movement aid database, the Mission Asset Fund, United Way, or the H3 podcast thread. And, don't forget, to Yang Daily.