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NY Post Interview Tweet: <https://twitter.com/rikkischlott/status/1459637369452249090>

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Forward Podcast Episode: <https://www.andrewyang.com/podcast>

Newsweek Interview Tweet: <https://twitter.com/Newsweek/status/1459163483422048266>

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FWD Volunteer Call: <https://twitter.com/AndrewYang/status/1459598231286034434>

Yang's Giveaway: <https://twitter.com/AndrewYang/status/1459177371525857282>

FairVote Board Tweet: <https://twitter.com/FairVoteAction/status/1458106622706847745>

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

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

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Volunteer with MATH Movement:

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

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

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

Income Movement Volunteer Portal: <https://t.co/ExdZFGgITR?amp=1>

Sign onto the Humanity Organizing Corps!: <https://t.co/NPLDPm8RyR?amp=1>

UBI Caucus Candidate Questionnaire: <https://t.co/AlmMWbXA4N?amp=1>

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

<https://yangprints.com/>

<https://t.co/wGL8yIGpQa?amp=1>

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

Sign the Petitions!

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

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

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

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/rGldUljr8?amp=1>

McConnell/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>

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>

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

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

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

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

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

Donate to the Cause!

Have Amazon Donate to Humanity Forward When You Shop: <https://t.co/keu2JhOtCg?amp=1>

Humanity Forward Donation Link: <https://t.co/CAyumCtJVE?amp=1>

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

Donate by Buying Merch!

Forward Party Store: <https://shop.forwardparty.com/>

Dani's Forward Party Store: <https://t.co/hAhxhfKwMF?amp=1>

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/>

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

FP Twitter: https://twitter.com/Fwd_Party

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

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

MGI Mayors List: <https://twitter.com/i/lists/1277639894031048709/members>

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

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/UCqnjxh343MA6i19crvOaZlg>

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

Humanity Forward Twitter: <https://twitter.com/HumanityForward>

HumanityFirst Discord: https://t.co/5czsL_Scuy4?amp=1

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

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

Basic Income March Website: <https://t.co/lXLn58scDI?amp=1>

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

YangGang Hub on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/HumanityForYang>

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

People's Party Website: <https://t.co/yh3HnN3U2W?amp=1>

PP Twitter: https://twitter.com/PeoplesParty_US

Get Help!

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

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

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

Get Money to Donate!

Creative Donating Resources Thread:

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

Aspiration Bank Referral:

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

YangGang Robinhood referral links to get up to \$500 in free stock:

<https://t.co/3MCgLfKzn?amp=1>

Submit your Robinhood referral link here to earn more: <https://t.co/M3SUjYsLDM?amp=1>

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

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

Download the UBDIncome app and earn money for your data:

<https://twitter.com/UBDIncome>

Episode 455 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. If you didn't see the tweet, sorry for the delay. Everyone in my extended family seems to want to have birthdays at the same time. Had one yesterday and one the day before, which was a pretty big time sink. Anyway, we've got some big news to cover, on both democracy and UBI fronts! Let's get rollin'.

Shout-out to our Tier 3 Patrons, Shae Meehan and Nathan Stankowski, as well as all our other Patrons! You keep us all informed and engaged. If anyone out there wants to join these advocates of Humanity First and independent journalism, head over to Patreon.com/YangDaily. It would only take a couple bucks a month from each listener to keep this podcast and community going and growing! On to the news!

-We haven't talked gerrymandering in a while! I'm sure you've missed it. Hate to disappoint but it's not because it's stopped happening. Georgia's legislature just passed congressional districting maps, based on the 2020 census, that will unfairly ensure GOP control over the state for the next decade.

Both the Senate and House maps are rated F on competition - the backbone of democracy. Despite Georgia becoming a highly competitive state in the presidential race, meaning Democrats are out-weighting Republicans, the state legislature remains solidly Republican, due to 2010 maps that were almost as gerrymandered in favor of the GOP as possible, leaving 0 competitive districts, where there could have been 7, out of 14. That will now continue for another decade, and in perpetuity, until something forces change.

So what we can do to force that change? In Georgia, you can Push to pass SR 969, for independent redistricting. Federally, we can push the Freedom to Vote Act, which would do the same for the whole country. And we can join up with the Represent Us and Fair Vote organizations for more. Gerrymandering is anti-democracy, straight-up. It has to go. Voters must pick their politicians, not the reverse.

-So, as far as I know, paid leave was, and still is, cut from the Build Back Better bill. Most Dems are trying to get it back in. Unclear whether they'll be successful. But you have to hear what they are talking about, because it's just so typically nuts!

The plan being discussed covers leave for new parents or for personal or family illness. It has a *multi-part* work requirement. Specifically, to qualify for leave, you must have:

Worked for at least six quarters of your life,

Worked for either half the quarters since your 21st birthday, or 20 quarters total since your 21st birthday,

Have worked in the past year,

and Have earned at least \$2k in the past 2 years.

I don't even know what the first one means! "Worked for at least 6 quarters of my life?" I have to have been working for 150% of my life? That seems a bit of a high bar! Presumably they mean you must have worked for a minimum of 1.5 years. And these rules about "since your 21st birthday" seem to imply workers under 21 won't get this paid leave? What's up with that?

The CBO says that at least 30% of employed, new mothers would *not* meet these conditions. Who knows how many of those who *do* meet them would actually *get* it, with so many confusing conditions involved. I get the feeling that the bureaucracy required is probably not worth whatever will be saved in fraud prevention.

-Speaking of conditions, the Jain Family Institute just released their findings on the effectiveness of different variations on the Child Tax Credit and found that unconditionality is the most important and efficient aspect to reducing poverty. They compared 3 plans: First, continuing the improved CTC in its entirety. Second, the BBB's current plan, of only extending the change to monthly payments, rather than end-of-year tax reduction, and the removal of work requirements, both of which the JFI combines into the term "full refundability," or what might be called unconditionality. And, third, Manchin's plan, of reintroducing the work requirements and tax credit conditions and just keeping the increased dollar amount of the credit.

What they found is that just the removal of those conditions accounted for 20% of the 40% poverty reduction of the full package, whereas Manchin's plan, to bring back the conditions and just keep the increased dollar amount, only reduced poverty by 7%.

They also found that unconditionality is far more cost-effective. The unconditional plan costs only an additional \$17B, while Manchin's plan costs \$45B. That means removing the conditions has both about 3x the *effect* for 1/3 the *price*, or 7.5x the cost-effectiveness. That should tell you just how much of a barrier conditions are. Throwing more money into the same flawed system mostly goes to waste. Removing the conditions is the first step required, so the money goes to the people in greatest need.

And that's only half of it. Once the conditions are removed, reducing poverty by 20%, increasing the dollar amount of the credit after that takes it from the measly 7% poverty reduction that the money achieves in Manchin's conditional plan, to an *additional 20%* poverty reduction. It makes that money 3 times more cost-effective. So, yeah, conditions are the biggest problem with our welfare system and they need to go.

-In media news: Yang wrote a short essay on reforming from within, vs from without.

-Congressman Swalwell interviewed Andrew on the After Words podcast, about Forward Party and democracy.

-Yang was interviewed for the New York Post, on what the author called, quote: "bringing a glimmer of hope to a politically disaffected generation." End quote. Good sign.

-He will be a guest on Voter Choice Arizona's meeting on Wednesday, to talk about ranked choice voting.

-Heaton interviewed him, on the Political Orphanage podcast, about reforming democracy, as well as Griffiths, on the Toppling the Duopoly podcast.

-Newsweek's Naveed Jamali interviewed him on ranked-choice voting, the New York City primary, and the book.

-Shoutout to the recent Forward podcast episode on Zillow, infrastructure, and AI, where Yang discussed how AI is actually better than humans in many respects in industries like therapy and art, which most people consider bastions of human superiority.

-Forward Party had a virtual call with a bunch of volunteers, which they, unfortunately, did not announce enough in advance for me to put it in the last episode. I also haven't been able to find a recording of it. This is exactly the sort of thing that should be going on the Forward Party Youtube channel, which has completely languished since its inception.

-What we're not too late for is Yang's new giveaway. As before, he's giving out \$1k to someone who follows Forward Party on Twitter, winner to be chosen late Monday.

-And, finally, big shoutout to the Fair Vote Action Board, which just added one Andrew Yang to their members! Not just that, they made him Vice Chair! And people say he can't win an election ;p Fair Vote Action is a democracy reform organization, with a focus on ranked choice voting. They also added a few other members, which you can check out in the description links. A good haul!

-And that'll do it for today's Yang Daily! Bookmark and share the Gerrymandering and CTC study threads, and Yang's board appointment and giveaway, Flood congress with calls, tweets, faxes, and letters, using the easy volunteer contacts below, If you need help, Consult the Income Movement aid database, the Mission Asset Fund, or United Way. And, don't forget, to Yang Daily.