



B4P

Bozeman

Social housing



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Overview Agenda

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Our Campaign

- Overview of Campaign

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Major Takeaways

- Use your DSA network
- Building Capacity

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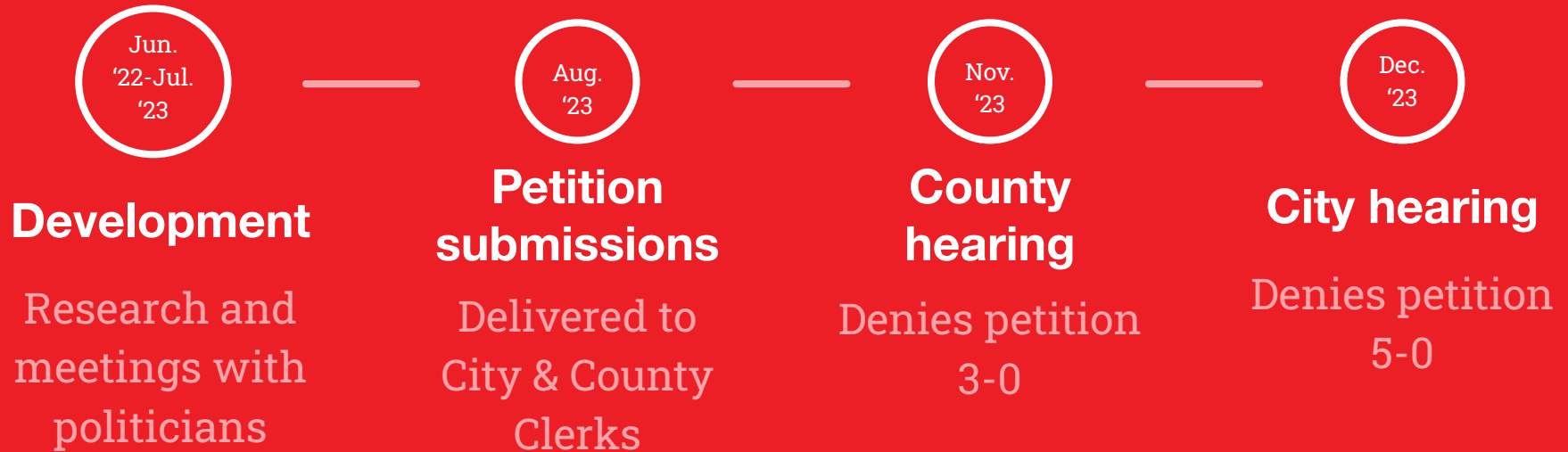
Building Connections
and Challenges

- Inroads with Labor
- Strategic calculations

Our Campaign

- **Demand** - County or City create a housing authority and implement social housing model.
- **Target** - Gallatin County Commission (3 people) and Bozeman City Commission (5 people)
- **Opponents** - Local real estate industry and existing housing related non-profits
- **Strategy** - use Montana Code to submit petitions to establish a housing authority

Timeline



Major takeaways

- **USE YOUR DSA NETWORK/COMRADES**
 - Denver DSA
 - House Our Neighbors (Seattle)
 - Metro DC's Montgomery County branch
- **Building Capacity**
 - Leadership emerging
 - Creating media
 - Education events
 - LTE's and Public comment



Social Housing video

A screenshot of a presentation slide. The title at the top reads "HDC has a long history of finding innovative ways to do mixed-income development". Below the title, there are six small images of housing projects, each with a blue circular icon containing a year. The projects are: "1st City Housing" (1960), "Columbia Park" (1960), "Columbia Park" (1960), "Columbia Park" (1960), "Columbia Park" (1960), and "Columbia Park" (1960). At the bottom of the slide, there is a logo for "HDC" and the text "99 Years of Creative Housing Solutions in Montgomery County, Maryland".

Public Ownership panel



Labor Unions 🤝
DSA 🤝 The Working
Class

Inroads with Labor

- IUPAT DC 82
 - 2021 – Cease and desist letter regarding PRO Act campaign
 - 2022 – How to start a union workshop (3 painters attended)
 - 2023 – Attendees later started IUPAT local (first in the region)
 - 2023 – IUPAT staff Organizer attends and gives public comment in favor
- AFL-CIO
 - 2023 - MT AFL-CIO prohibits us from participating in UPS practice picket
 - 2023 – Strike Ready 2023 fundraiser and MT AFL-CIO donation of \$850
 - 2023 – National AFL-CIO Regional Organizer (Billings, MT) served as panelist on Public Ownership call

Cease and Desist letter



[REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@iupat82.org>

Fri, Mar 26, 2021, 8:58 AM



to [REDACTED]

Hi Zeth,

[REDACTED] and I will make every effort to call you today at 11:30 MST.

First, know that we will defer to the Montana Building Trades, they are the Leaders in Montana.

But after reviewing your email below, it appears that there is a misunderstanding of who we are.

WE ARE the IUPAT in Montana. We are not the International.

Therefore **you must cease and desist from using any reference to the IUPAT in your email recruiting campaign.** unless you can provide me with your contact at our International who agreed to “partner” with you.

I talked to the MT Building Trades yesterday and they said that they were given the impression that we ARE on board with your specific effort.

We ARE NOT YET, we need to have that conversation. But currently you are misrepresenting our relationship, and using our name without permission.

We are on the same page as it pertains to the PRO Act, however, the Building Trades is the more conservative arm of the AFL-CIO, that’s just where our members are at. While I understand what a democratic socialist is, it is not a concept that most of our membership would be in support of. We have to assess whether we can navigate that obstacle.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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**SOLIDARITY
DELIVERS
THE
GOODS**



**JULY 28
7:30 PM**

**STRIKE READY 2023
FUNDRAISER**

**ART & FUNK COLLECTIVE
STILGONE
THREE PENNY RIOT**

\$10 SUGGESTED
DONATION



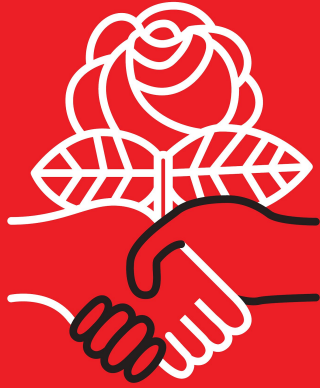
The DSA Labor Solidarity Fund is a national fund that supports local strike actions. Donations will support striking workers in Wisconsin on this or future picket lines.

-GALLATIN LABOR TEMPLE-



Challenges

- Real Estate Industry and nonprofits did not like the idea of losing market share
- Chapter unaligned in mayoral race
- List building was not prioritized and saw minimal growth
- Lacked cohesive coalition building strategy



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