

# On the Need for a Working Class Political Party

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The electoral “democracy” of the United States is a puppet show, a staged fight between two racist and corrupt anti-worker and imperialist parties who both throw militarized police at social “problems,” fund unending wars, bail out corporations, enact austerity against working people, and respond to liberation struggles against exploitation and oppression with state violence. Both parties are controlled by the owning class and serve that class’s interests. Token rhetoric and even reforms may occasionally be thrown to the working and oppressed masses, but everyone knows, deep down, that neither the Democrats nor the Republicans care about everyday people.

The system is not broken; it is working exactly as intended. Today’s election will not alter that, nor will it stop the U.S.-funded genocides, the imperialist ventures, the erosion of labor power, the stripping away of communities, families, and people. These things occurred under Biden, under Trump before him, under Obama, Bush, Clinton, etc. etc. etc.

Today, all working and oppressed people must wake up to the fact that our class needs a political party that represents our class interests. We need a political party that will fight tooth and nail for every reform we can possibly secure, but also will never lose sight of the revolutionary imperative to replace our current economic ordering with one that will serve our interests.

One thing to celebrate here in Kentucky is the failure of Amendment 2 which would have diverted public funds into private schools. Kentucky working people, regardless of political party affiliation, resoundingly rejected this assault on public education with every single county in the Commonwealth voting the measure down. Kentucky workers have unequivocally sent a message to the owning class and their political pawns:

**KEEP YOUR BLOOD-STAINED HANDS OFF OF OUR WORKING CLASS INSTITUTIONS!**

This further proves that working and oppressed people have the ability to recognize their class interests and to fight for them. To make lasting progress, to secure meaningful change, we must establish a political party, free of owning class influence and corruption, to lead and guide our class.

The Louisville Workers Brigade is ready and prepared to pledge our loyalty, energy, dedication, and work to such a working class political party. Though we recognize that there are a number of groups currently striving for this noble aim, we do not believe any of them are currently positioned to carry out the work needed for the liberation of all working and oppressed people. Until such time, the Brigade will continue our work of educating, supporting, and uniting working class forces in our community as we eagerly await the day when all of our class can unite under the banner of a political party that will lead us to power, liberation, and peace!

No matter what the final election results are, no matter what the next four years bring, the struggle continues and all of us must fight back against the perpetual assault against our class, we must all work towards securing economic, political, social, and cultural power for working and oppressed people!

Solidarity forever, Fellow Workers!