



DSOV 2020-2021

18 months of good work!

Presented at the 2021 AGM, October 3

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The DSOV is a group of individuals who support socialist policies and action.

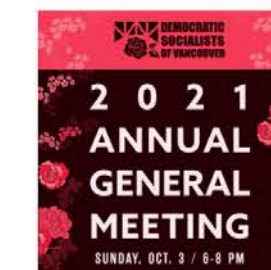
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STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES

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DSOV Plans their first AGM
The DSOV plans for their first AGM and election of a Steering Committee
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DSOV Launches Housing For All Campaign
This is both a press conference and a rally. We are in a federal election where housing affordability is on everyone's minds.
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Resolution in support of Kshama Solidarity Campaign
Democratic Socialists of Vancouver encourages its members to volunteer for the Kshama Solidarity Campaign and help out in any way that would be practicable, since the recall is an attack on all working people.
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Democratic Socialists of Vancouver

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The DSOV is a democratic, inclusive, and pluralist organization.

DSOV members self-identify as socialists because we reject the rigged economic order produced by capitalism and colonialism, as well as all discrimination based on race, sex, sexual orientation, gender expression, religion. We celebrate, embrace, and appreciate members of different genders, sexual preferences, ages, colours, race, religion, education level, condition of restraint within any institution, or any other category.

DSOV recognizes we live, work and organize on unceded territories of the Tsleil-Waututh, Squamish and Musqueam nations, and seek to advance decolonization in everything we do.

DSOV is a work in process, and we humbly welcome your participation in this shared work of building a better and more just world.

Get Involved

Fill out the form below and we'll add your name to our mailing list and receive our monthly newsletter as well as be informed of any upcoming DSOV events, campaigns, and news.

Name *

First Name

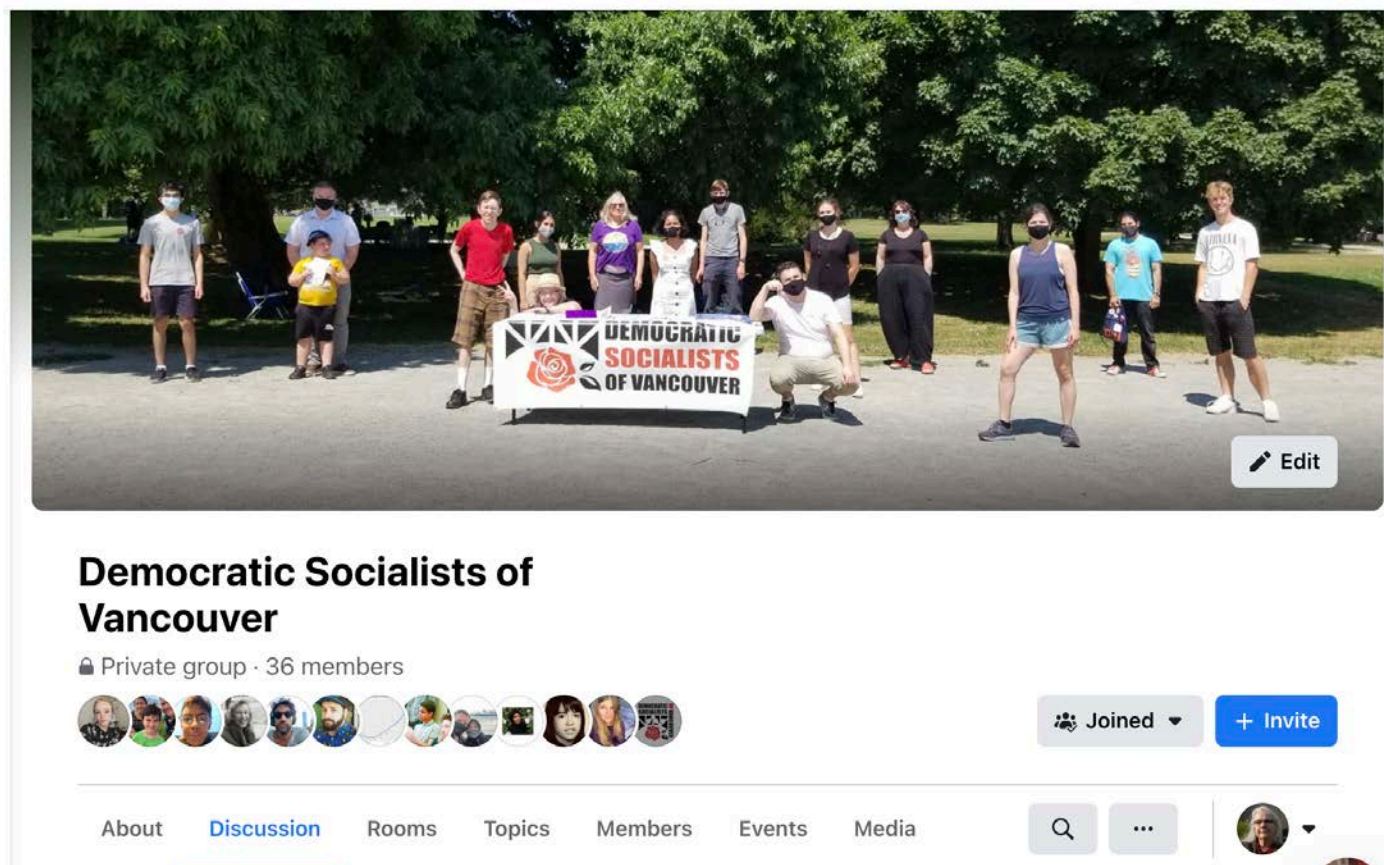
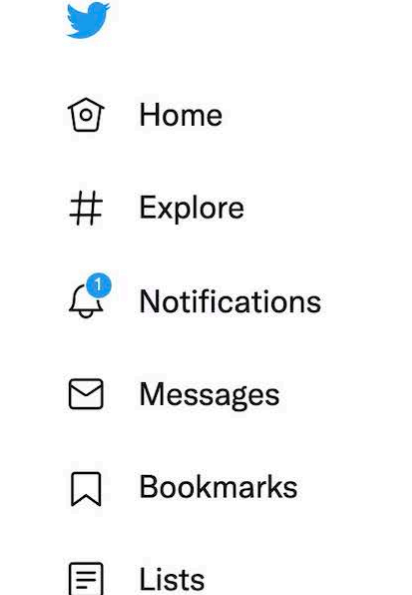
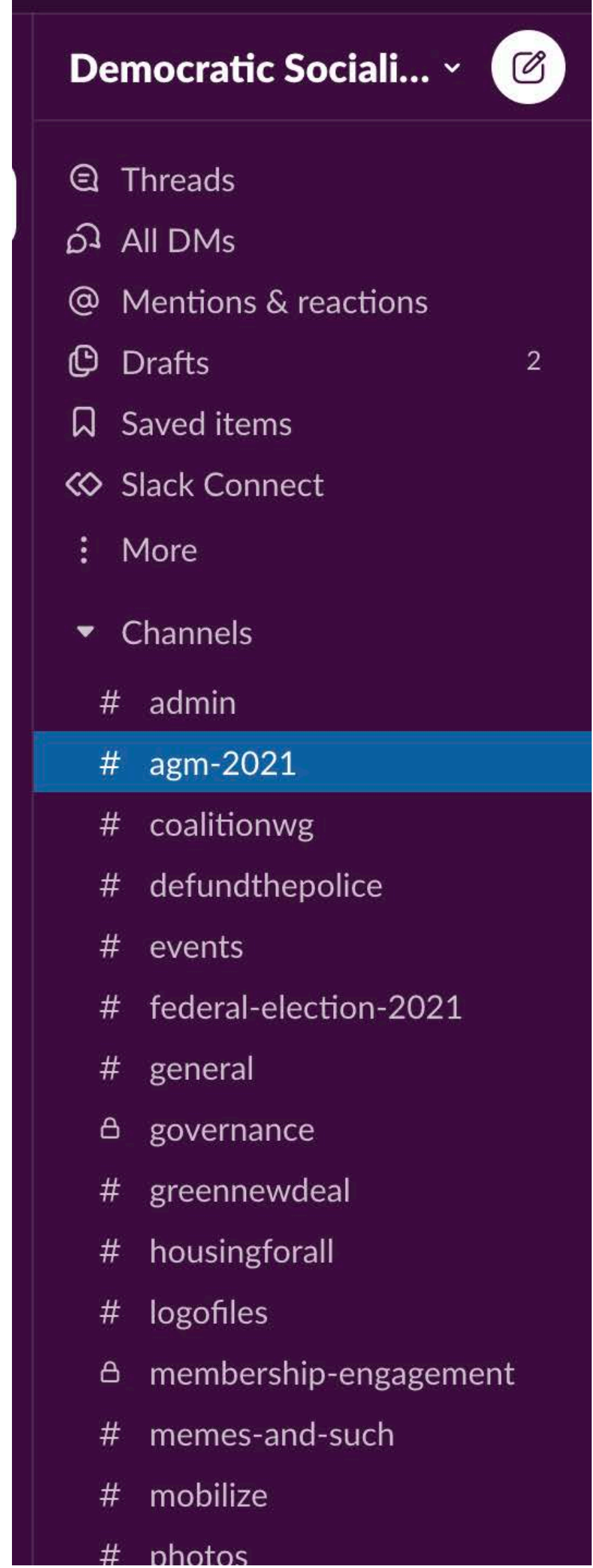
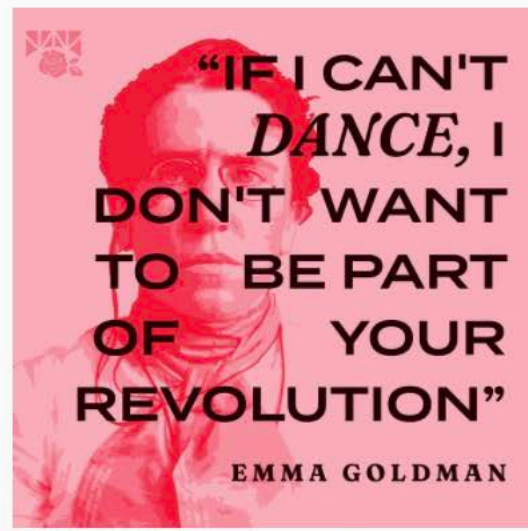
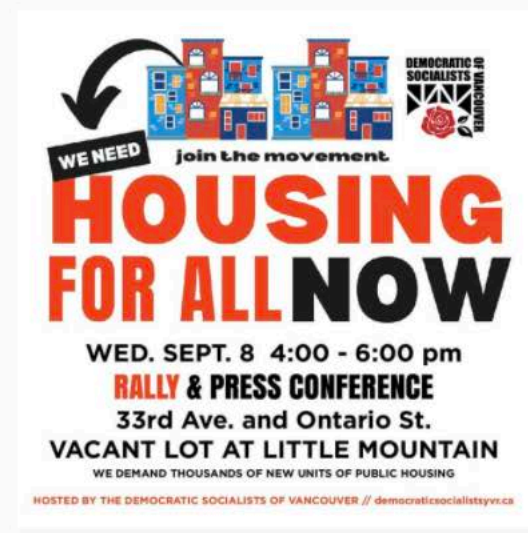
Last Name

Email *

Anything else you'd like us to know?

Phone

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Instagram, Slack Twitter & Facebook

★ DSOV WORKING GROUPS ★

Our current Bylaws describe DSOV Working Groups:

Working Groups

1. The affairs of the DSoV will be organized around Working Groups.
2. Any Voting Member of the DSoV may join or organize a Working Group.
3. If a Voting Member wishes to organize a Working Group, they will present a proposal to the membership at a general meeting. The members will vote by simple majority to approve the Working Group.
4. Each Working Group will ensure a liaison or liaisons are appointed to communicate with the Steering Committee and the membership at general meetings.

Current active working groups are:

HOUSING FOR ALL

DEFUND THE VPD

SOCIAL MEDIA

SOLIDARITY, SOCIAL JUSTICE

WEBSITE & COMMUNICATIONS

DSOV MEMBERSHIP & OUTREACH

If you would like to become involved in any of the above working groups, send an email to the DSOV and be sure to put the working group title in the subject line.

democraticsocialistsyvr@gmail.com



STRENGTH IN UNITY:
 Socialist, Anticapitalist,
 & Environmentalist
COOPERATIVE
ASSEMBLY

SEPTEMBER 13, 2020

7:00 - 9:00 pm

FOR INVITES: info@democraticsocialistsyvr.ca
democraticsocialistsyvr.ca

ZOOM



ECOSOCIALIST DIALOGUES
 Growing the movement
 inside and outside electoral politics

FEBRUARY 21, 2021
 4:00 pm PST
ONLINE [MEET.JIT.SI/ECODIALOGUES](https://meet.jit.si/ecodialogues)

HOSTED BY THE UNITY ASSEMBLY
 PRODUCED BY SOCIALIST ACTION

Radhika Desai • Gary Porter • Dimitri Lascaris

JOIN PANELISTS FOR DIALOGUE AND DISCUSSION

Democracy in Action?
Canada Burned! Canada Voted!



Where was the
EFFECTIVE Climate Plan?

Online discussion from the Socialist Unity Assembly
Tuesday October 5, 2021 – 6-8 pm
 Tara Ehrcke – Dr. Devyani Singh – Tim Kennelly

DEFUND THE VANCOUVER POLICE DEPARTMENT REFUND THE COMMUNITY

The DSV demands Vancouver City Council cut the VPD's budget in 2022 by *at least 50%* and invest instead in community-based services

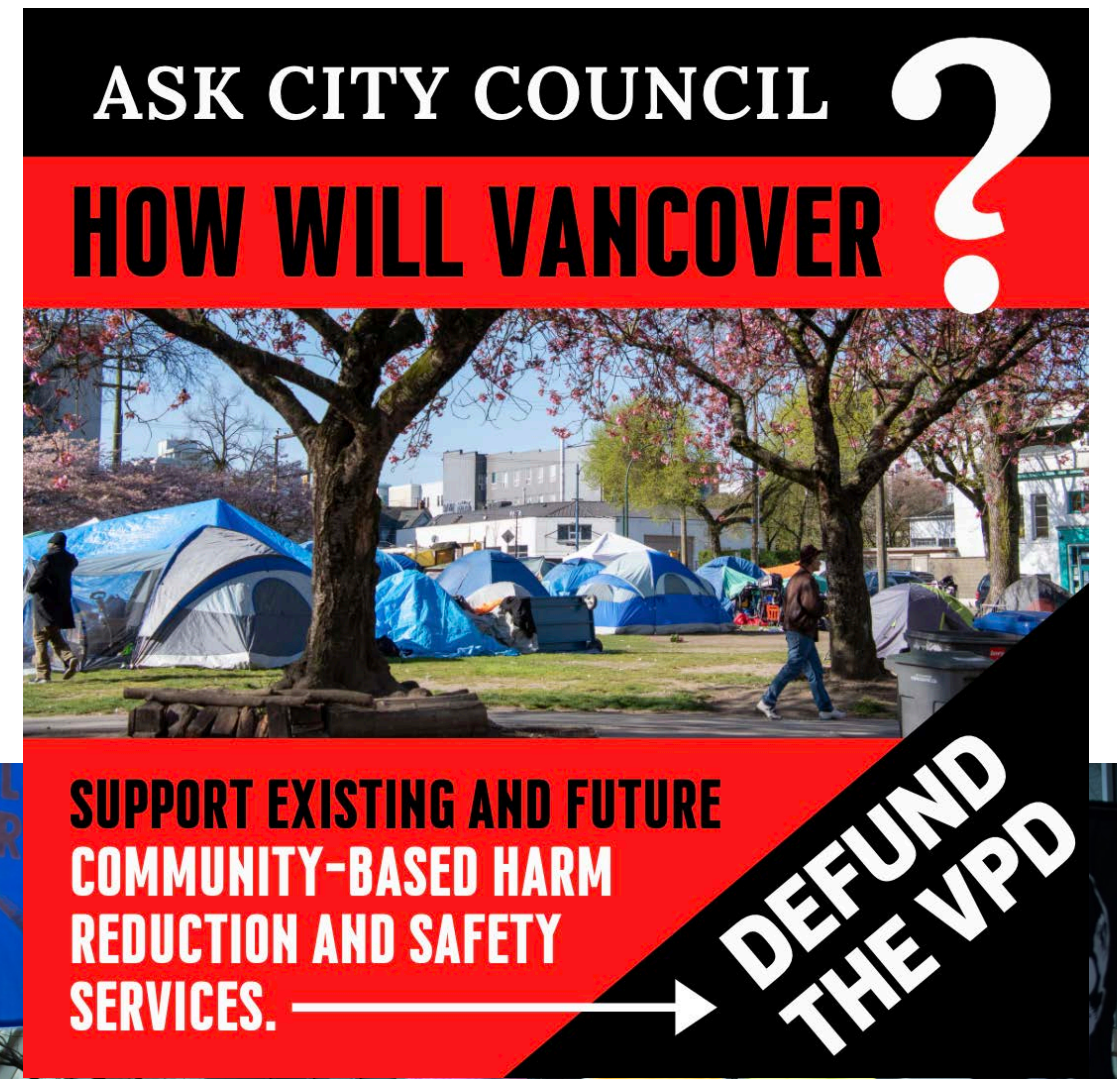
The Special Committee on Reforming the Police Act

The Special Committee on Reforming the Police Act has opened the next phase of their consultation and is accepting input from individuals about their experiences and perspectives with respect to policing and public safety in BC.

British Columbians can share their input by completing a survey. The survey will remain open until Friday, September 3 at 5:00 p.m.

<https://bclegislature.checkbox.ca/rpa-survey>

Let em hear it. Be ruthless.





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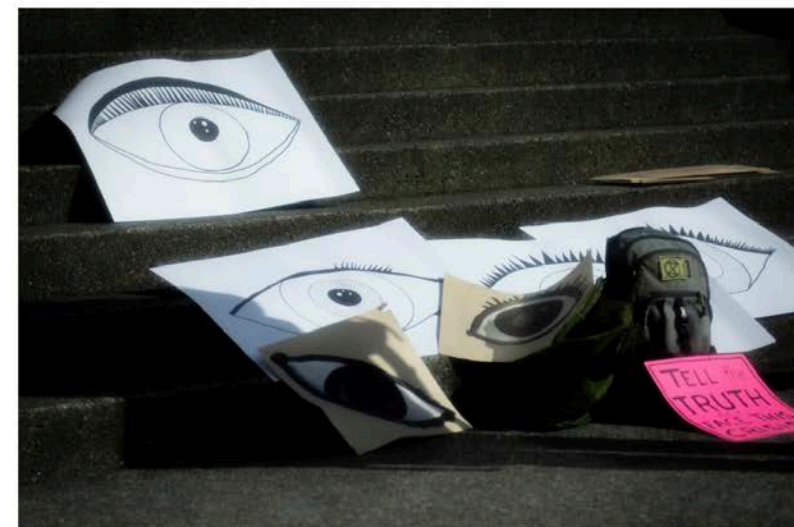


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THE THORN MEDIA SOCIETY

A BC Incorporated Non-profit Society.
Society No: S0074243

The Society was formed to support The Thorn, a newsletter by socialists from Vancouver.

The Thorn newsletter provides a socialist perspective on issues and events that affect the Lower Mainland.

Our next publication will be Thursday, September 9, 2021.

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VANCOUVER, BC



The Thorn

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Sorry VPD, facts don't care about your feelings

The Thorn on Thursdays | Dec 3 2020



The Thorn

Dec 3, 2020 ♥ 1 💬 ➦

Welcome to another edition of The Thorn on Thursday. If you like what we're doing, please share this e-newsletter with your friends!

Share

VPD asks for more money because 'feelings'



Black Lives Matter Anti-racism rally at Vancouver Art Gallery



ENDORSES

CANDIDATES WHO WILL

Support a **#GreenNewDeal**

Fight to **#TaxTheRich**

Push for **#SafeSupply** and **#HousingForAll**

Work to **#DefundThePolice**



ENDORSES

Justin KULIK

Kelowna - Lake Country

Social & Environmental Justice
Electoral Reform
Reducing Food Waste
Free Contraception




ENDORSES

James MARSHALL

Vancouver - WEST END

Carbon emissions
Ecological footprint
Electoral reform
Opioid and addiction crisis
Land & housing unaffordability




ENDORSES

Kelly TATHAM

Vancouver - Mount Pleasant

Decriminalization.
Food security. Housing.
Green infrastructure.




ENDORSES

Bryn SMITH

Surrey - White Rock

Proud member of CUPE 728
MA in Political Science
Local leader with BC ACORN
Let's move forward together!




ENDORSES

Harrison JOHNSTON

North Vancouver - Seymour

Housing. Labour.
Transit. Equity.
Climate. Justice.




ENDORSES

Ryan Abbott

Surrey - Whalley

Indigenous sovereignty
Climate change
Public housing
Automation/precarity,
The existence of billionaires




ENDORSES

Tesicca TRUONG

Vancouver - LANGARA

COVID19
Climate justice
Affordable housing
Opioid crises
Reconciliation




ENDORSES

Jenn NEILSON

Victoria - Beacon Hill

Housing as a human right
Stopping TMX and future pipelines
Protect old growth forests
Investing in public education
Lower the voting age, electoral reform




ENDORSES

Rasoul NARIMANI

West Vancouver - Capilano

Mental health
Claimant crisis
Food security
Housing




ENDORSES

Cheryl WIENS

Langley - EAST

Climate change
Affordable housing
Reconciliation
Indigenous self-determination
Workers rights




ENDORSES

Jaeden DELA TORRE

Richmond - North Centre

Activism. Advocacy.
Social Housing.
Climate Justice.




ENDORSES

Nazanin MOGHADAMI

Vancouver - KENSINGTON

Trauma-informed Health Care
Gender-based violence
Mental health crises
Substance use and addiction





WE NEED join the movement

HOUSING FOR ALL NOW

BUILD

Build 5,000 units of social and public housing per year

DECOMMODIFY

Apply real rent control and commit funds to acquire market rental units to protect affordability.

HOUSING IS A HUMAN RIGHT

No more barriers to housing. No more credit checks. No more arbitrary waitlists.

NO MORE EXCUSES!



Do you want to help win Housing for All in Vancouver?
JOIN THE DSoV
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TODAY




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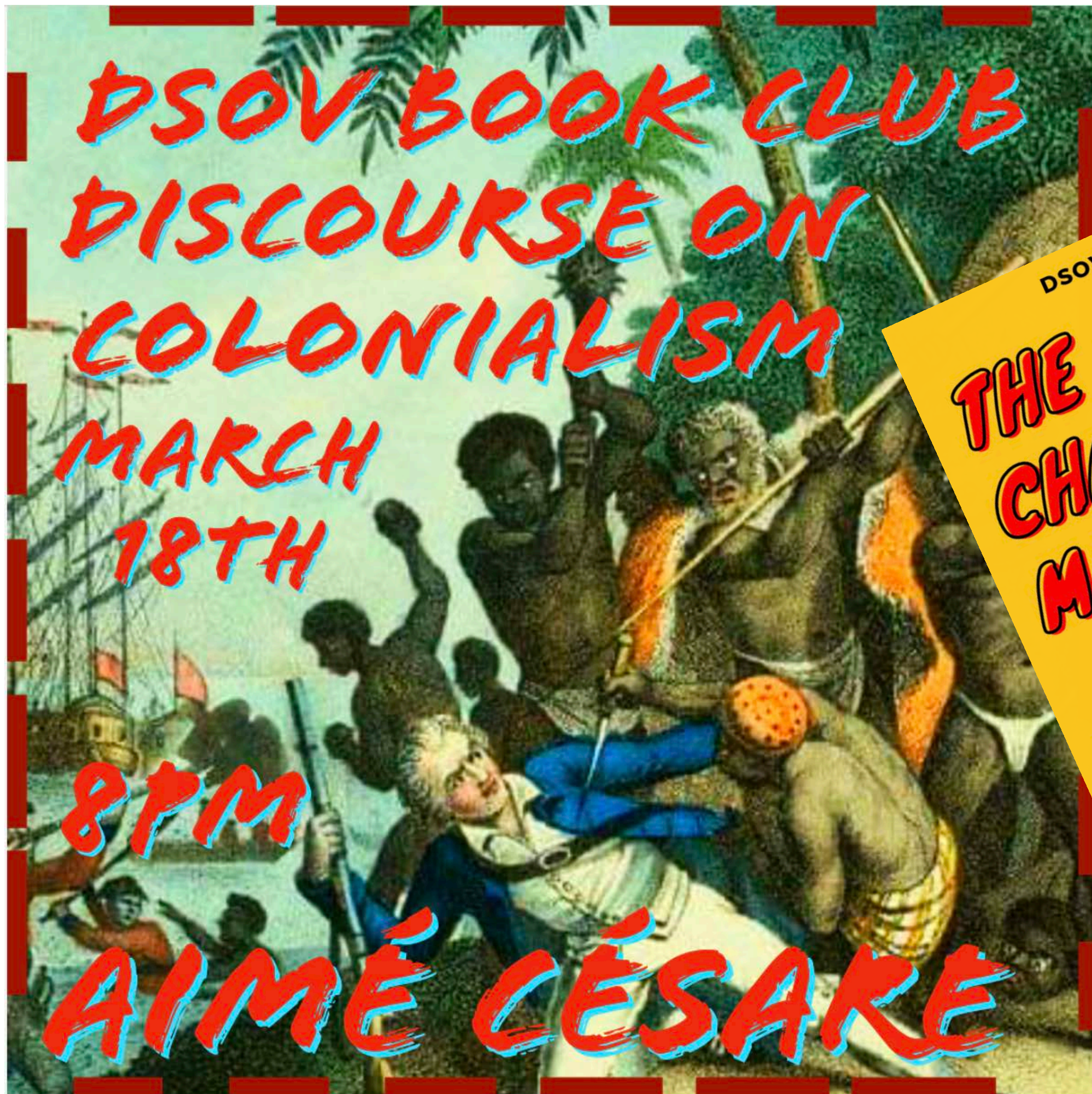
WED. SEPT. 8 4:00 - 6:00 pm
RALLY & PRESS CONFERENCE
 33rd Ave. and Ontario St.
VACANT LOT AT LITTLE MOUNTAIN
 WE DEMAND THOUSANDS OF NEW UNITS OF PUBLIC HOUSING
 HOSTED BY THE DEMOCRATIC SOCIALISTS OF VANCOUVER // democraticsocialistsyvr.ca



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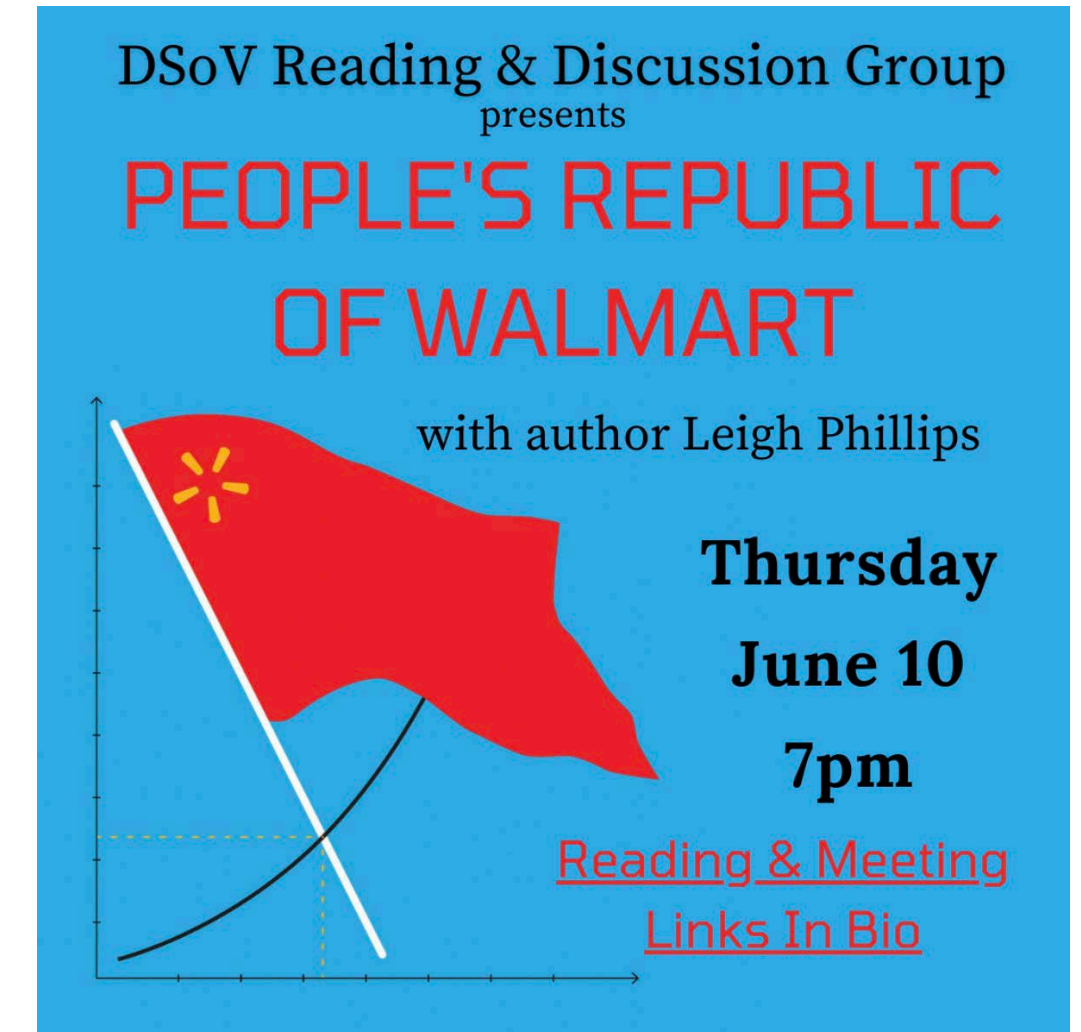
DSOV READING & DISCUSSION GROUP



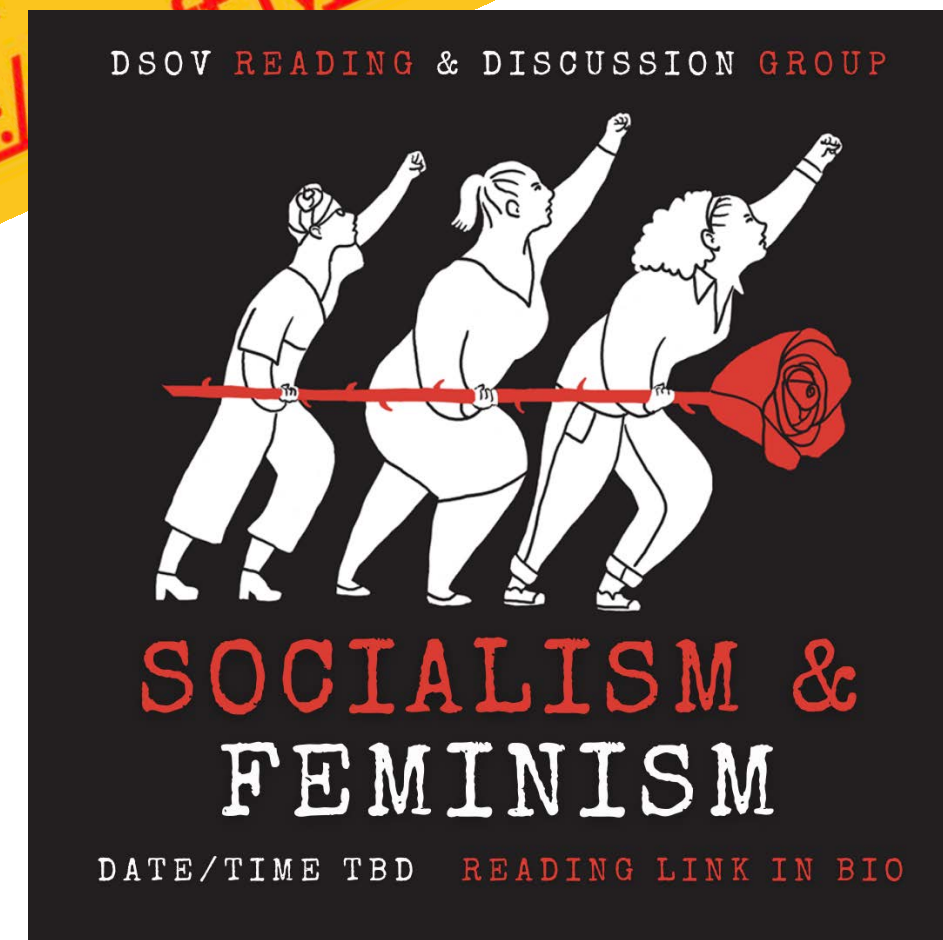
DSOV BOOK CLUB
DISCOURSE ON
COLONIALISM
MARCH
18TH
8PM
AIMÉ CÉSARE



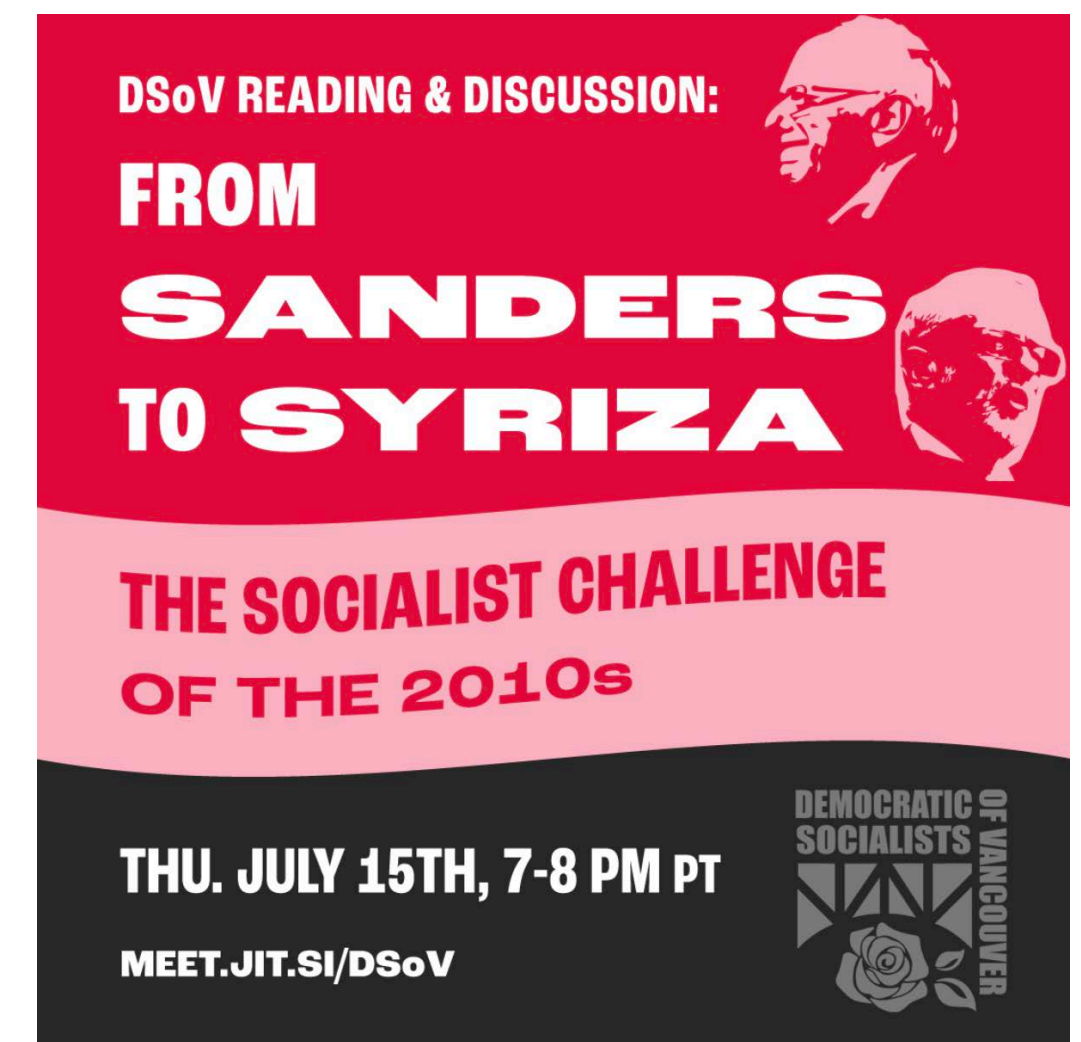
DSOV READING GROUP PRESENTS
THE READINGS OF
CHAIRMAN
MAO
★ ★ ★
WEDNESDAY
MAY 26
7:00 pm
<https://www.meetjitsi.com/join/3w5gn39>



DSoV Reading & Discussion Group
presents
PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC
OF WALMART
with author Leigh Phillips
Thursday
June 10
7pm
[Reading & Meeting](#)
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DSOV READING & DISCUSSION GROUP
SOCIALISM &
FEMINISM
DATE/TIME TBD [READING LINK IN BIO](#)



DSOV READING & DISCUSSION:
FROM
SANDERS
TO SYRIZA
THE SOCIALIST CHALLENGE
OF THE 2010s
THU. JULY 15TH, 7-8 PM PT
[MEET.JIT.SI/DSOV](#)
DEMOCRATIC SOCIALISTS OF VANCOUVER



DEMOCRATIC SOCIALISTS OF VANCOUVER

Meet & Greet

JULY 26 2:00 PM
JOHN HENDRY PARK



Good Job!