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Training opportunities:**1. Swing left is looking for motivated college students in or near swing districts for the Swing Left College Fellowship program**

Young voters are going to be absolutely critical to taking back the House.

That's why we're launching the Swing Left College Fellowship program. Fellows will receive top-notch training in campaigning and organizing, so they can get out the youth vote in November and become progressive leaders on their campuses and beyond.

We're looking for students who are fired up about protecting our democracy, excited to learn key organizing skills, and ready play a huge role in taking back the House. **Sound like you or someone you know? [Send 'em our way.](#)**

Millennials outnumber every other generation of voters, and they're more progressive than their parents and grandparents. But they cast *14 million fewer votes* than Baby Boomers in the 2016 election. We need to change that—and it will take a fully-mobilized student movement that's focused on getting people to the polls.

Candidates should be full or part-time students enrolled at two- or four-year colleges or universities in or near one of our 70 Swing Districts.

[If you know a student who wants to make lasting change, ask them to check out the full Swing Left College Fellowship application.](#)

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2. ACLU of California Conference & Lobby Day- ACTIVIST training

Sunday April 8 and Monday April 9
Sacramento

You and hundreds of other Californians will learn about and advocate for local and state-level campaigns to reclaim our future where people of all races, genders, and faiths can live the promise of equality and justice for all.. In-depth workshops will cover:

* Implementing SB 54, California's pro-immigrant bill that restricts the power of federal immigration

enforcement;

- * Expanding voting rights through building electoral power and improving access to the ballot box;
- * Reforming our criminal justice system and holding prosecutors accountable.

We will equip you with the skills and knowledge necessary to lobby your senators and assemblymembers to pass critical bills that advance civil liberties in California.

Action - Get your ticket! Move quick they sold out last year!

IMMIGRATION:

1. **Video about** Central American refugees- informative, recent history, heart wrenching and an understanding of our recent governments part in the crisis.
 Mexico/Guatamala: How the US Outsources Border Security

Action - Watch : <https://www.vox.com/a/borders/mexico-guatemala>

2. Rev. Kaper-Dale, New Jersey Green party candidate for governor.
http://www.nj.com/middlesex/index.ssf/2018/01/hold_murphy_shows_up_at_church_that_houses_immigra.html
<https://splinternews.com/ice-goes-after-three-new-jersey-fathers-trying-to-take-1822442940>

3. Presentation- free at Stanford

Thursday, February 22

6:30–9:00 p.m.

The Other Side of Assimilation:

How Immigrants Are Changing American Life

Learn more and register

Get Out The Vote (GOTV):

1. Restore voting rights for the incarcerated In California

The Voting Restoration and Democracy Act of 2018 will restore the right to vote to approximately 180,000 people in state prisons and on parole in California. Initiate Justice believes that our incarcerated loved ones and those on parole should not lose their fundamental democratic rights when they enter prison. Everyone should have the right to have their voices heard, no matter what.
Initiate Justice via [wall-of-us](#)

Action - Sign up to attend a future letter writing night, training, or a public hearing with Initiate Justice. Upcoming workshop on February 15th in Piedmont, CA -- [RSVP here](#).

Democracy:

1. Following up on our presentation by Bill James, This article discusses why having too many democrats running presents a different problem.

Action- read <http://time.com/5130860/democratic-candidates-fundraising-2018/>

2. If you have not seen the movie, The Post, I recommend it. This article explains why it is a movie for our time and is highlighted by this quote:

That's why it's important for people to see this film, not for what it teaches about the government, but for what it teaches about the press, because the only guarantee of an honest government is an honest press.

<https://medium.com/@Penseur/the-post-why-now-11bbc4d3e0b2>

Action- Watch the movie, The Post and read the above article about why it is important.

3. And on a related theme- for you podcasters- Kjirste recommends Slow Burn by Slate. Super interesting. Surprising to me how partisan it was back then and gives me hope for now.

Action - listen to http://www.slate.com/articles/slate_plus/watergate.html

Action- read this article Thoughts on democracy in America, polarization, forbearance, civility and mutual tolerance - excellent

<https://www.nytimes.com/2018/01/27/opinion/sunday/democracy-polarization.html>

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Calendar (please request an invite)

https://calendar.google.com/calendar/render?mode=day&date=20170401T020224&pli=1#main_7%7Cmonth

Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/TWWLosGatos/?ref=bookmarks>

Lending Library

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1fZU3zFpYgDwlls7HRHVmGEJ6RyirwPv8zPk5BmFP7kA/edit?usp=sharing>

Monthly Meetings

6:45pm

2nd and 4th Wednesdays

(Check FB or minutes for location)

If you want removed from this mailing list just let us know.

Good news:

Per Small Victories-

1. After two years of sustained organizing from [#FreeBresha](#) activists, 16-year-old Bresha Meadows—a survivor of domestic abuse who had been [imprisoned](#) after her father's death—was released this week. We highly recommend [this piece](#) by the activists who helped bring her home about exactly how and why their campaign worked.
2. Pennsylvanians have a lot to celebrate this week—and we're not talking about [football](#). ([#GoEagles!](#)) The Supreme Court [agreed](#) that the state needs to redraw its congressional district maps (before the midterms) , and the Philadelphia City Council [unanimously voted](#)to recommend the city ends cash bail.
3. And speaking of the Super Bowl... We love this [direct action](#) from local [Black Lives Matter activists](#) after the city closed public transit to only game day ticket holders. [#SBLIIBLACKOUT](#)
4. Florida just got [one step closer to restoring voting rights](#) to people with past felony convictions.
5. A federal judge [ruled](#) that criminalizing people who participate in the [Boycott, Divest, and Sanctions](#) movement would be unconstitutional.
6. Washington's governor [said no](#) to a new oil project that could have done tons of damage to the environment.
7. Thanks to a new law in D.C., pharmacists can now [prescribe birth control](#) directly to women, without a doctor's prescription.



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