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🧵🚨 MAJOR BREAKING: Inside The New Pluralists: how billionaires weaponized the Biden Administration, targeted Charlie Kirk, and are quietly financing America's color revolution 🚨🚨

In 2017, a quiet meeting brought representatives of Soros, Koch, Rockefeller, and Ford foundations together for one purpose: to rethink how philanthropy influences politics.

Out of that meeting came the "New Pluralists," a coalition that would go on to shape the Biden White House's United We Stand summit, fund censorship-adjacent projects, and eventually intersect with investigations into Turning Point USA … and the color revolution that's brewing in the United States now.

Thanks to @iamlisalogan and @skdoubledub33 for the research.

As always, patience as I pull together the thread in real time. 👇



Our story starts in mid-2017, Mark Gerzon, president and founder of the Mediators Foundation, began organizing a private meeting of major political funders. Scheduled for November on the East Coast, the gathering was to include representatives of both the Soros and Koch families, along with about twenty other donors from across the political spectrum. Gerzon described them as people on the left and right who were disillusioned with how their money was influencing politics and wanted to explore new ways to use their wealth more effectively.

If you're unfamiliar with Mark Gerzon, he has an extensive background in international diplomacy. He has served as a consultant for the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), worked with the Carnegie Council, and was a distinguished fellow at the EastWest Institute, where he facilitated dialogues between the Chinese Communist Party and members of both the Republican and Democratic parties.

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About

Mark Gerzon is one of the key architects of the field of global leadership and an experienced facilitator in high-conflict zones. He has advised a wide variety of organizations including the US Congress, multinational corporations, and UNDP. The author of numerous books, including Leading Through Conflict and Global Citizens, he is currently dividing his time between international leadership workshops and building a transpartisan movement in th ...see more

Distinguished Fellow

EastWest Institute

2007 - 2009 · 2 yrs

• Facilitating dialogues between the International Committee off the Chinese Communist Party and the leaders of the Democratic and Republican parties.
•Hosting and network of the world's leading global policy think-tanks, the Global Leadership Consortium, to develop "Cross-Boundary" leaders that can work together on key global security issues.
• Convening leading grassroots peacemakers from around the world to build a global learning network called the Conflict Transformation Collaborative
• Partnering with the United Nations to initiate a global network of conflict transformation practitioners.
• Working with EWI executive team to develop high-performance organization.

Research Associate

Carnegie Council on Children

1972 - 1975 · 3 yrs

Worked as research associate under the direction of Dr. Kenneth Keniston on this commission based at Yale University. Contributed to a series of reports on the needs of children and families, many of which affected national public policy over the next generation.

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Co Founder

Bridge Alliance

2014 - Jan 2016 · 2 yrs 1 mo

As an exective team member for the Bridge Alliance Mark has worked to oversee the incubation of a design team and the first two quarters of the Bridge Alliance activities. Mark is currently coordinating the National Citizens Summit with John Steiner and other key players across the US.

Bridge Alliance City Events: Mark Gerzon (Mediators Foundation)
Mark Gerzon introduces the work of the Bridge Alliance at the Boston City Event 6/20/2015

CTL: Design Team Meeting
February 2015 16 incredible individuals came together in Boulder, Colorado to dream and plan for a new narrative of collaborative governance and citizen engagement. This video...

Bridge Alliance
We are Americans tired of the dysfunction and suffocating partisanship that permeates our society, who know that our democratic republic is broken and that we can fix it.

Consultant and Mediator

UNDP

2002 - 2010 · 8 yrs

• Designed and convened dialogues in Nepal between multiple political parties, including the Maoist factions that have recently joined the government;
• Conducted leadership trainings for the Bureau of Conflict Prevention and Recovery on dialogue strategies for conflict resolutions
• Advised Regional Bureau of Latin America and the Caribbean to develop the practice of dialogo democratico; and facilitating leadership retreats for 26 UNDP Country Representatives.
• Promoted cross-bureau collaboration by researching and documenting conflict resolution strategies used in Africa, Latin America and Asia

Founder and President

Mediators Foundation

1987 - Present · 38 yrs 11 mos

Boulder, Colorado

As President of Mediators Foundation, which he founded over 25 years ago, Mark has worked closely over the years with several projects that also advance the field of global citizenship. He founded the Conflict Transformation Collaborative, a network of peace-builders from around the world. He has also designed an interactive, awareness-raising workshop The Global Citizen Journey, based on his most recent book, published in the USA under the title American Citizen, Global Citizen.
His work has also included:
• Co-designing with private and public sector partners a state-of-the-art decision-making environment called the Global Leadership Lab
• Synthesized the field of mediation and conflict resolution for leaders in Leading Through Conflict: How Successful Leaders Transform Differences Into Opportunities, published by Harvard Business School Press in partnership with the JFK School of Government and translated into seven languages.
• Founder of Global Leadership Network, a cross-cultural network of experienced leadership trainers and systems change experts
• Advising both Democratic and Republic members of the United States House of Representatives on inter-party conflict issues and designed 1997 and 1999 Bipartisan Congressional Retreats;
• Conducting inter-ethnic leadership training in Kenya for emerging leaders
• Founding of Conflict Transformation Collaboration (CTC) , network with more than 100 veteran practitioners.

Mediators Foundation
To foster leadership for a peaceful, just and sustainable world by identifying, supporting and connecting visionary leaders working in the best interests of our country.

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The meeting did happen - at the Rockefeller Brother Fund's Pocantico Conference Center. The project was launched by John Steiner (vice-chair of Mediators Foundation) and Stephen Heintz, President of the Rockefeller Brothers Fund. A new direction for America was set then.

> Philanthropy Bridging Divides (PBD) brings together a small group of CEOs of philanthropic institutions from across the country in a confidential conversation to better understand 'other' ideological perspectives and connect beyond political divides. Now in its sixth year, this project creates a safe space for conversations and enhances the capacity of foundations to think together about philanthropy's role in America.
>
> Working with Mediators Board Member John Steiner, and Stephen Heintz, President of the Rockefeller Brothers Fund, we launched the project with a first convening at RBF's Pocantico Conference Center in New York in 2017. Co-founders Chris Gates and Mark Gerzon facilitated the meeting, which has been followed by meetings every year since (online during the pandemic). Most of the original participants are still involved and several new philanthropic leaders have been invited to participate in the ensuing years. Our goal is to continue to remain a small, informal group focused on private conversations that organically lead to deeper understanding and collaboration.

I am keeping this thread focused on events around Turning Point -- so I will only briefly go over this new direction. Stephen Heintz would sit on an American Academy council to come up with a plan to transform America from a Constitutional Republic to an actual democracy.

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THE WAY FORWARD:

ESSENTIAL REINVENTION OF AMERICAN CONSTITUTIONAL DEMOCRACY

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The billionaire philanthropists who attended the mysterious summit organized by Mark Gerzon formed a group called "New Pluralists." Charles Koch Institute, Anti-Defamation League, Ford Foundation, and Soros Fund all were represented.

New Pluralists and other locally based efforts help bridge divides

New Pluralists is working alongside millions of Americans to bridge divides and counter violent extremism.

people can address their differences peacefully and constructively.

Shortly after the attack, the Charles Koch Institute united with a diverse group of partners including the Anti-Defamation League, Ford Foundation, and Soros Fund to walk alongside people in communities most affected by extremism to better understand the causes and to discover new tools to prevent related violence.

The initiative, Communities Overcoming Extremism, showed the power of working alongside partners who disagree on any number of issues but share a commitment to protecting equal rights and creating a culture of respect and belonging. The resulting **report** showed the ways different private and public leaders were grappling with these issues and revealed where work still needs to be done.

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New Pluralists offers a new way of funding to bridge divides

New Pluralists is a collaborative of funders and community leaders working to build a culture of belonging. One of the primary features is partnering across differences. The group supports researchers, faith leaders, local networks, and other groups that make up the growing field of pluralism. Though they come from different sectors and different views, they're all discovering innovative ways to bridge divides such as race, religion, and belief.

Founding members of the community included 10 core funders and more than 40 field leaders, including StoryCorps, the Brennan Center for Justice, The People's Supper, Faith in Action, Millions of Conversations, and more. They launched in 2021 with a commitment of $100 million over 10 years. The outpouring of interest has only grown since.

The first project was Communities Overcoming Extremism: the After Charlottesville Project, led by former Charlottesville mayor Michael Signer. Signer says on his (now-deleted) website that he created the coalition which included the ADL, the Ford Foundation, the Charles Koch Institute, the Fetzer Institute, and New America... but elsewhere he says the ADL reached out to him first.



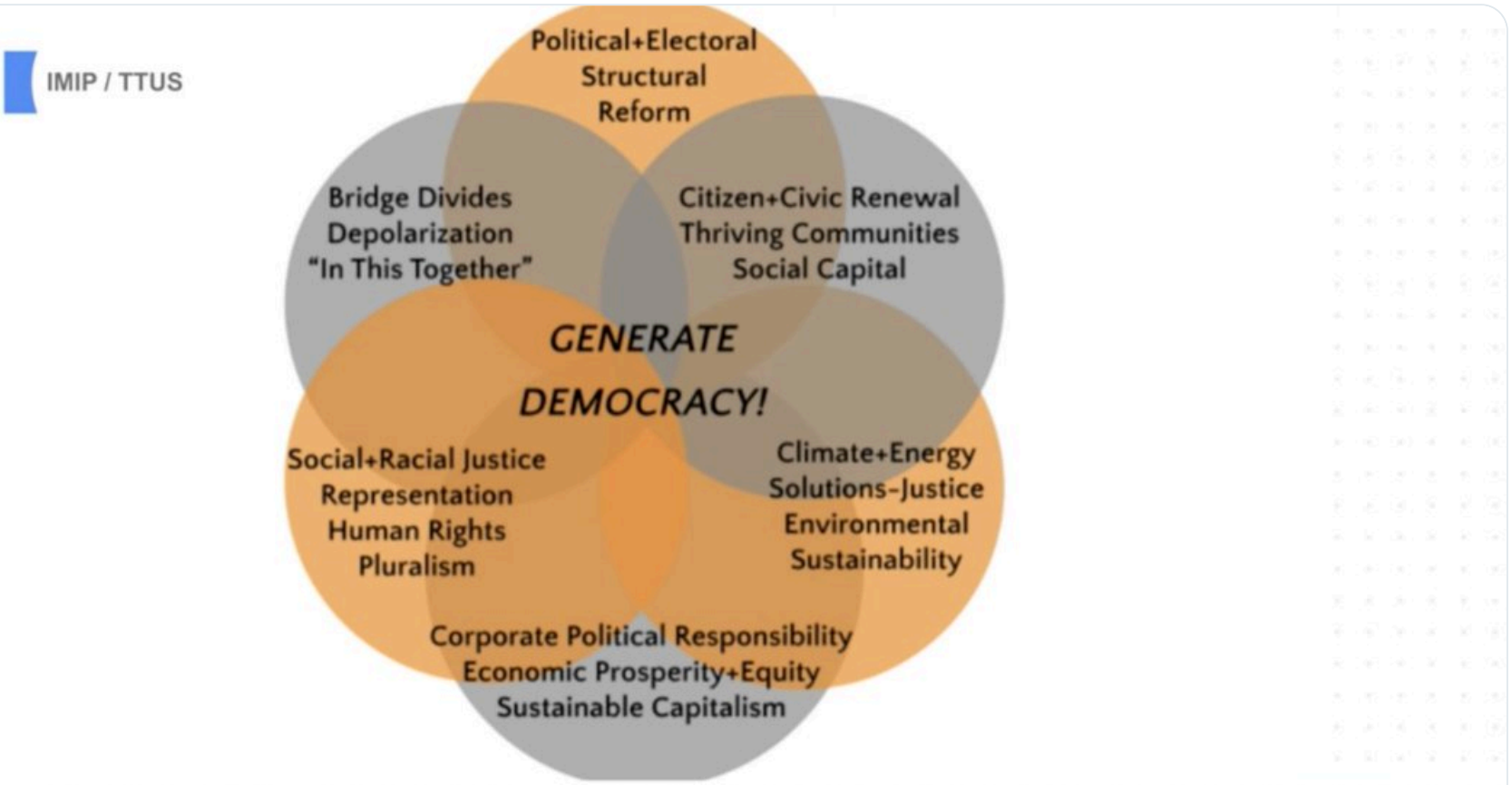
Signer said the ADL reached out to him after the Charlottesville rally as he was trolled and harassed online because of his faith. They developed a relationship, which led to the After Charlottesville Project. Other sponsors include the Center for American Progress, a progressive advocacy group founded by John Podesta, chairman of Hillary Clinton's 2016 presidential campaign, and the Ford Foundation.

"This is an effort about building more capacity among leaders within the public and private sectors to handle extremism," Signer said.

This initial project would would set the vocabulary for their long term direction -- "bridging divides" through censoring populists and installing a new democracy. I write a whole chapter on this in my book.

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Term	Definition
Building	Constructing new, positive democratic systems.
Blocking	Resisting authoritarian and anti-democratic forces.
Bridging	Connecting across differences to build coalitions.
Belonging	Cultivating shared community and social cohesion.



Over 10,000 entities are working across different fields to Generate Democracy!

Now, fast forward to September 15, 2022, two weeks after the infamous "Soul of the Nation" speech wherein Biden declared "Donald Trump and the MAGA Republicans represent an extremism that threatens the very foundations of our republic."

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Two weeks after that speech, President Biden announced the "United We Stand" summit and would announce a number of measures to combat extremism.



Whose idea was it to hold the summit and response? Well, Anti-Defamation League (ADL) is mentioned as one of the five organizations that pressed the White House to make it happen.

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POLITICS

A White House summit tackles right-wing extremism with talk of security, hugs — and Christian forgiveness

The day was infused with a Christian sensibility, including a major theme about forgiving one's attackers, and more than one speaker likened the event to "church."



The Anti-Defamation League was one of five civil rights groups that initiated the event after a mass killing of Black people in Buffalo by a white supremacist fueled by antisemitic conspiracy theories. Jonathan Greenblatt, the group's CEO, said in an interview before the event that he hoped to see a focus on hateful language and actions from all sides.

"We need to recognize that extremism isn't just an issue on one side of the spectrum or the other," he said in an interview a day before the event. "No one in politics is necessarily exempt from hate and we need people on both sides of the aisle to fight it."

The White House organizers of the event were conscious of the need to appear bipartisan; a session featuring mayors included two Democrats and two Republicans. But the session only made clearer the difficulties in making the session nonpartisan: Republican mayors David Holt of Oklahoma City and John Giles of Mesa, Arizona, both remarked that fellow Republicans lashed out at them for working with Democrats.

Ok, so it was ADL's idea, the same ADL who collaborated with the Koch brothers, Ford foundation, Soros Fund, etc.

Who bankrolled the United We Stand?

... It was the New Populists. They committed 1 billion dollars to this initiative, proudly announced in a White House press release.

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SEPTEMBER 15, 2022

FACT SHEET: The United We Stand Summit: Taking Action to Prevent and Address Hate-Motivated Violence and Foster Unity

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- New Pluralists, a cross-partisan group of philanthropic and field leaders, is mobilizing $1 billion in new investments ↗ to increase support for programs that build bridges among Americans of different backgrounds to foster unity.

Southern Poverty Law Center got involved as well, begging Susan Rice to make United We Stand summit an enduring institution and having a long list of policy recommendations.

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September 12, 2022

The Honorable Susan Rice
Director
Domestic Policy Council
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Ambassador Rice,

The United We Stand national summit represents a pivotal step in addressing hate, violence, and extremism in this country. This conversation is timely in light of the recent tragedies affecting minority communities across the country. We hope the summit will provide an opportunity for elected officials and faith, business, philanthropic, and community leaders to come together to identify best practices to address the hate-fueled rhetoric and violence that seek to divide our nation. We are encouraged by the administration's commitment to confront hate and extremism and urge you to continue community-centered efforts to address these issues nationally.

We look forward to participating in this important meeting and welcome the opportunity to share several policy recommendations and actions that can be taken in partnership with communities as a follow up to the summit.

Merrick Garland the same day announced a nationwide initiative to combat hate speech. They would go onto partner with the ADL on this effort.

PRESS RELEASE

Justice Department Launches Nationwide Initiative to Combat Unlawful Acts of Hate

Thursday, September 15, 2022

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For Immediate Release

U.S. Attorney's Office, Western District of Washington

Sixteen Districts, Including Western Washington, Will Roll Out Programs this Fall

WASHINGTON – Attorney General Merrick B. Garland announced today during the White House United We Stand Summit that over the next year, all 94 U.S. Attorneys' Offices (USAOs) will host a new nationwide initiative to combat unlawful acts of hate. The United Against Hate program is convening local forums that connect community groups to federal, state, and local law enforcement to increase community understanding and reporting of hate crimes; build trust between law enforcement and communities; and create and strengthen alliances between law enforcement and other government partners and community groups to combat unlawful acts of hate.

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to discuss Hate Crimes

NEW ORLEANS - On June 21, 2023, the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Louisiana (USAO, EDLA), the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), New Orleans Field Office, the New Orleans Police Department (NOPD) and the Anti-Defamation League, South Central Region (ADL) co-hosted an event at the Jewish Community Center entitled "United Against Hate: Identifying, Reporting, and Preventing Hate Crimes" to discuss the rate of antisemitism both nationally and locally. UAH is a national federal initiative initiated by Attorney General Merrick B. Garland that encourages all 94 U.S. Attorneys' Offices nation-wide to host local outreach forums to educate citizens about hate crimes. Yesterday's meeting was the first of several planned outreach and educational events to be conducted by the U.S. Attorney's Office as part of the Justice Department's "United Against Hate" (UAH) outreach initiative, a nationwide program launched in September, 2022 to combat the rise in hate crimes.

On November 2, 2022, an article is published on a digital publication widely circulated around foundations called called "Is Philanthropy Taking the Wrong Approach to Addressing Polarization?" It lauds the New Pluralists and their role in the United We Stand summit.

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November 2, 2022 | Read Time: 6 minutes

Momentum is growing in philanthropy to support programs that bridge polarization and promote pluralism. Most recently, the donor collaborative New Pluralists, which aims to "build a nation of belonging," was featured in the Biden administration's United We Stand Summit, showcasing solutions to America's hate-fueled violence.

Given the nation's deep and growing divisions, many will welcome these developments. In my view, however, there is good reason for skepticism.

But the same article says that there is an obstacle to accomplishing the goals of United We Stand… Christian evangelicals… specifically, Turning Point USA. The article fingers Turning Point USA as an obstacle due to their stubbornness.

Unfortunately, such funding patterns are unlikely to produce the desired results. This may be one reason why leaders of pluralist organizations are unable to convince, say, a campus chapter of the far-right student-organizing group Turning Point USA to eat dinner with the local Muslim student association, or members of a Christian nationalist media group to spend time with LGBTQ activists. My organization is no exception. While we do work with some polarized groups such as these, most of our programs bring together conservative Evangelical and Muslim college students.

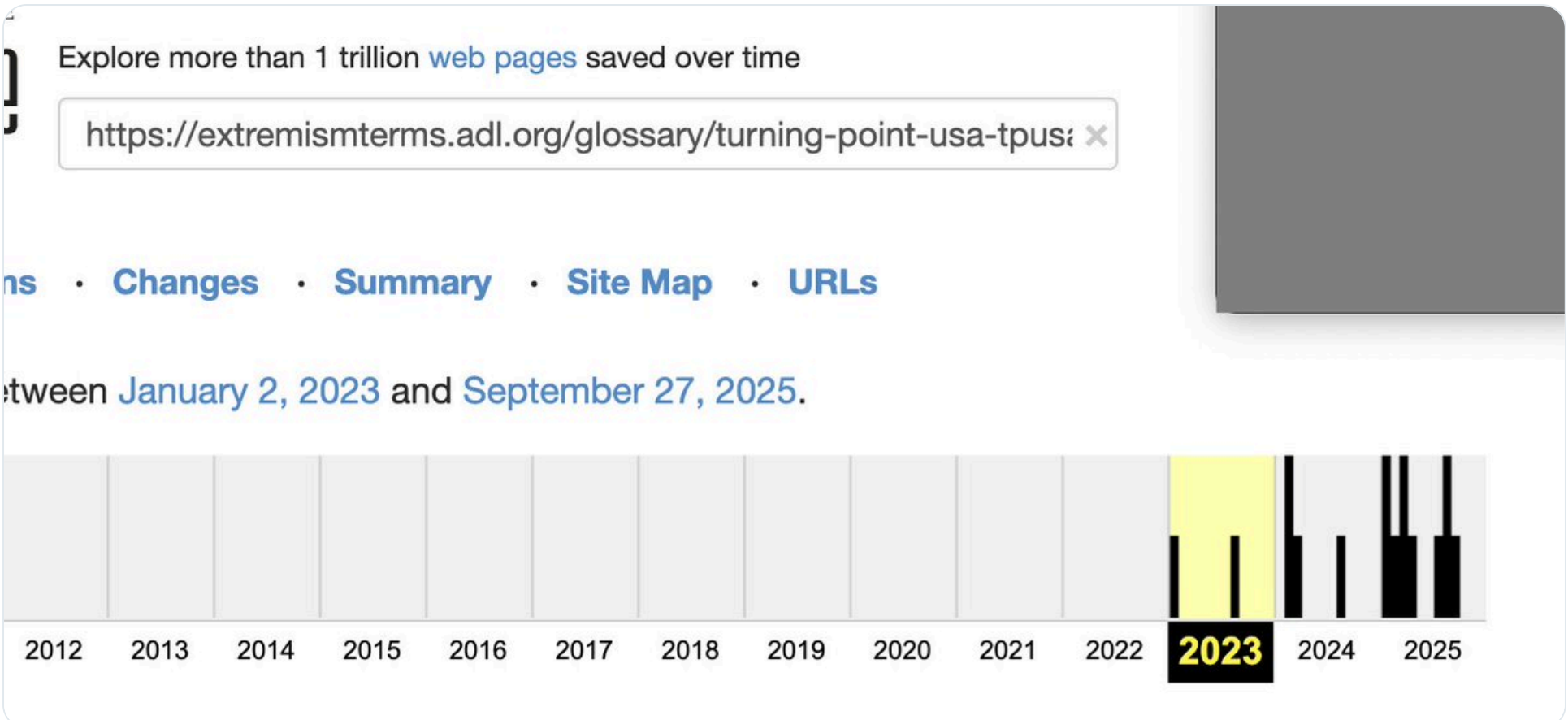
Other networks are so nimble that connecting with them is nearly impossible. I recently tried to reach out to Turning Point USA and could not find a single email on its website. Some groups may not want to be found by pluralism nonprofits and have no interest in bridging differences.

On 1 December 2022, Merrick Garland's Department of Justice, which administered the United Against Hate programs, issued a subpoena to Turning Point USA in the Arctic Frost investigation.

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It was also around this time that ADL entered Turning Point USA in its Extremism database. I could not narrow a timestamp more precisely, but the earliest Wayback Machine snapshot is 2 January 2023.

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Turning Point USA (TPUSA)

Turning Point USA (TPUSA) is an Illinois-based right-wing student organization founded by Charlie Kirk in 2012. The organization"s stated mission is to "identify educate, train, and organize students to promote the principles of freedom, free markets, and limited government." From 2016 through 2019, TPUSA was connected to many controversial incidents including problematic comments by TPUSA spokespeople or activists, TPUSA spokespeople appearing alongside extremists at events or on their shows, TPUSA activists making racist or bigoted social media posts, texts or statements, and connections btweetn TPUSA members or activists and known extremists or extremist groups.

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Remember - the same ADL that is advising the Department of Justice.

The story doesn't end of the official websites to come out of the "United We Stand" summit... was Dignity [.] us . here.One

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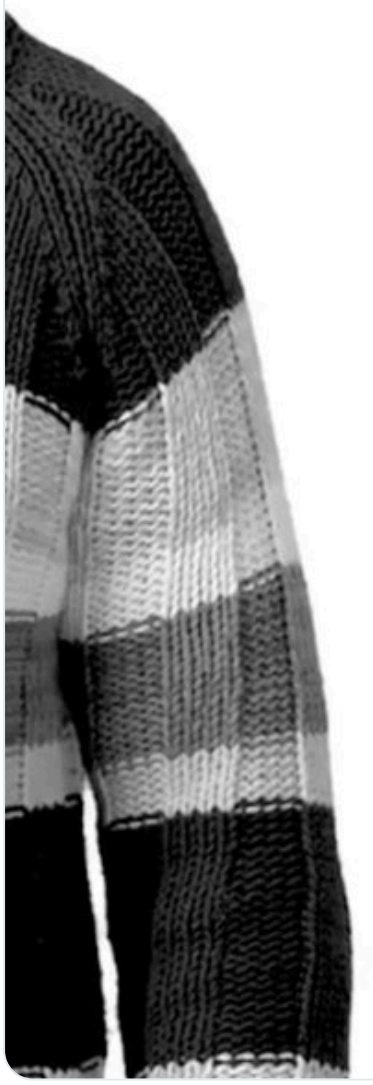
Dignity [.] us now points to the Dignity Index. Ermiya Fanaeian is linked as having working on the Dignity Index as one of its original coders.

Yes, the same Fanaeian whose group SLC Armed Queers is under investigation as having potential foreknowledge of Kirk's assassination.

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If You Could Help Ease the Divisions in America, Would You Do It?



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We created **The Dignity Index** to show us the difference. To learn more about the principles of dignity and how they can be applied in our families, communities, workplaces, and country, check out **The Dignity Index.** Take the Dignity Pledge and sign up to follow the dignity movement!

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DIRECTOR OF COLLEGE OUTREACH
4 months

BEN MCADAMS FOR CONGRESS
RECRUITMENT COORDINATOR
5 months

COLLEGE DEMOCRATS OF UTAH
PRESIDENT
1 years 1 months

UTAH PRIDE CENTER
GSA NETWORK INTERN
1 years

YWCA UTAH
MARKETING COMMUNICATIONS MANAGER
2 years 10 months

THE WORLD PROSPERITY ORGANIZATION
DELEGATE
5 months

SALT LAKE CITY, CORP.
COMMISSIONER
1 years 5 months

MARCH FOR OUR LIVES UTAH
CO-FOUNDER
1 years 5 months

HINCKLEY INSTITUTE OF POLITICS
DIGNITY INDEX CODER
3 months

UTAH PHYSICIANS FOR A HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT
ASSISTANT OUTREACH COORDINATOR
11 months

UNIVERSITY OF UTAH
RESEARCH ASSISTANT
3 years 7 months

YWCA UTAH
MARKETING AND COMMUNICATIONS MANAGER

You can read all about her in this prior thread. She was awarded by Utah Global Diplomacy for work in advancing the UN 17 SDGs.

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The President of Utah Global Diplomacy is Felicia Maxfield-Barrett, who is also on the board of directors for Global Ties US, another State Department cut-out NGO. Global Ties US partners with Utah Valley University. Maxwell-Barrett received an award from UVU.

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Felecia Maxfield-Barrett
President & CEO

Experience

Chief Executive Officer
Utah Global Diplomacy · Full-time
Oct 2017 - Present · 8 yrs 2 mos
Salt Lake City Metropolitan Area

Plans, directs, and evaluates all activities related to the mission and vision. Manages fiscal accountability, grant writing, and development; Provide ...see more

Felecia Maxfield-Barrett Appointed to Global Ties U.S. National Board of Directors

Utah international diplomacy executive selected to represent Utah on the United State's largest and oldest citizen diplomacy network board of directors.

WASHINGTON, D.C. - U.S.-based nonprofit Global Ties U.S. has named Felecia Maxfield-Barrett, Utah Global Diplomacy President & CEO, to its national board of directors. Maxfield-Barrett is joined by fellow new board members Ben Chang of Columbia University and Ghida Dagher of New American Leaders.

Maxfield-Barrett is the first Utahn to serve in this capacity in over a decade and brings a wealth of experience and knowledge as the President and CEO of one of the most active International Visitor Leadership Programs (IVLP) in the country.

Utah Council for Citizen's Diplomacy (UCCD)

Our office enjoys a very productive relationship with UCCD. On July 11, 2019, we assisted them in bringing the Global Ties Learning Lab event to our picturesque UVU Wasatch Campus in Heber City. The following day, our office staff attended the *Diplomacy Begins Here Summit* and promoted UVU and global programs with an info booth.





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UVU Atlas Award 2019

Each year the UVU Office for Global Engagement recognizes individuals or organizations who have supported, promoted, or advanced our global mis to empower students to become competent and confident leaders and world citizens through creating opportunities for successful experiences in a globally interdependent community.

Upon the recommendation of the Office for Global Engagement and the approval of the UVU Global Community Advisory Board, awards are present under the following five categories:



UVU STUDENT: Andrew Jensen - pursuing a double majoring in National Security Studies and Computer Science



UVU FACULTY OR STAFF: Ellie Thompson - Coordinator, UVU Reflection Center



UTAH COMMUNITY PARTNER: Felecia Maxfield-Barrett - Executive Director, Utah Council for Citizen Diplomacy

. @iamlisalogan and @SKDoubleDub33 have more information on this -- but they confirm that Global Ties US finances Project UNITE, the organization behind the Dignity Index.

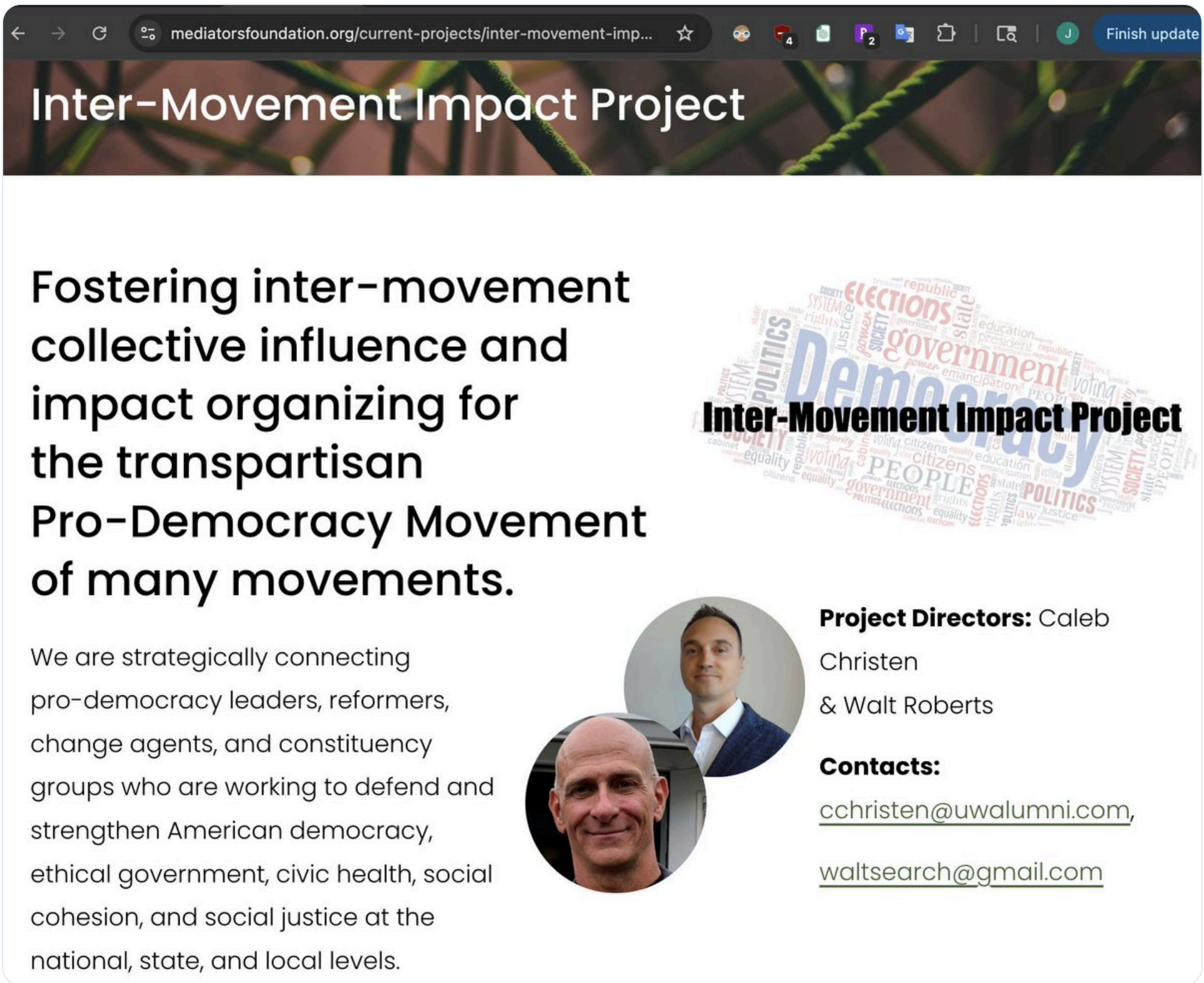
@iamlisalogan @SKDoubleDub33 There's more ties to UVU, but I don't think they're appropriate for X -- you can look up @iamlisalogan 's substack for more on that.

Both @SKDoubleDub33 and Lisa report Global Ties US scrubbed all their social media after the Kirk assassination.

Zooming back out to Mark Gerzon, who coordinated the whole effort with the New Pluralists -- the grand plan of the billionaires did not stop when the Trump administration took over and immediately started prosecuting the weaponization efforts.

Mediators Foundation formed the Inter-Movement Impact Project, an initiative meant to align all the various democracy organizations.

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The network is huge, compromised of many NGOs. But there are a few "core" groups.

One of them you might recognize: Ro Tucci and DemAID.

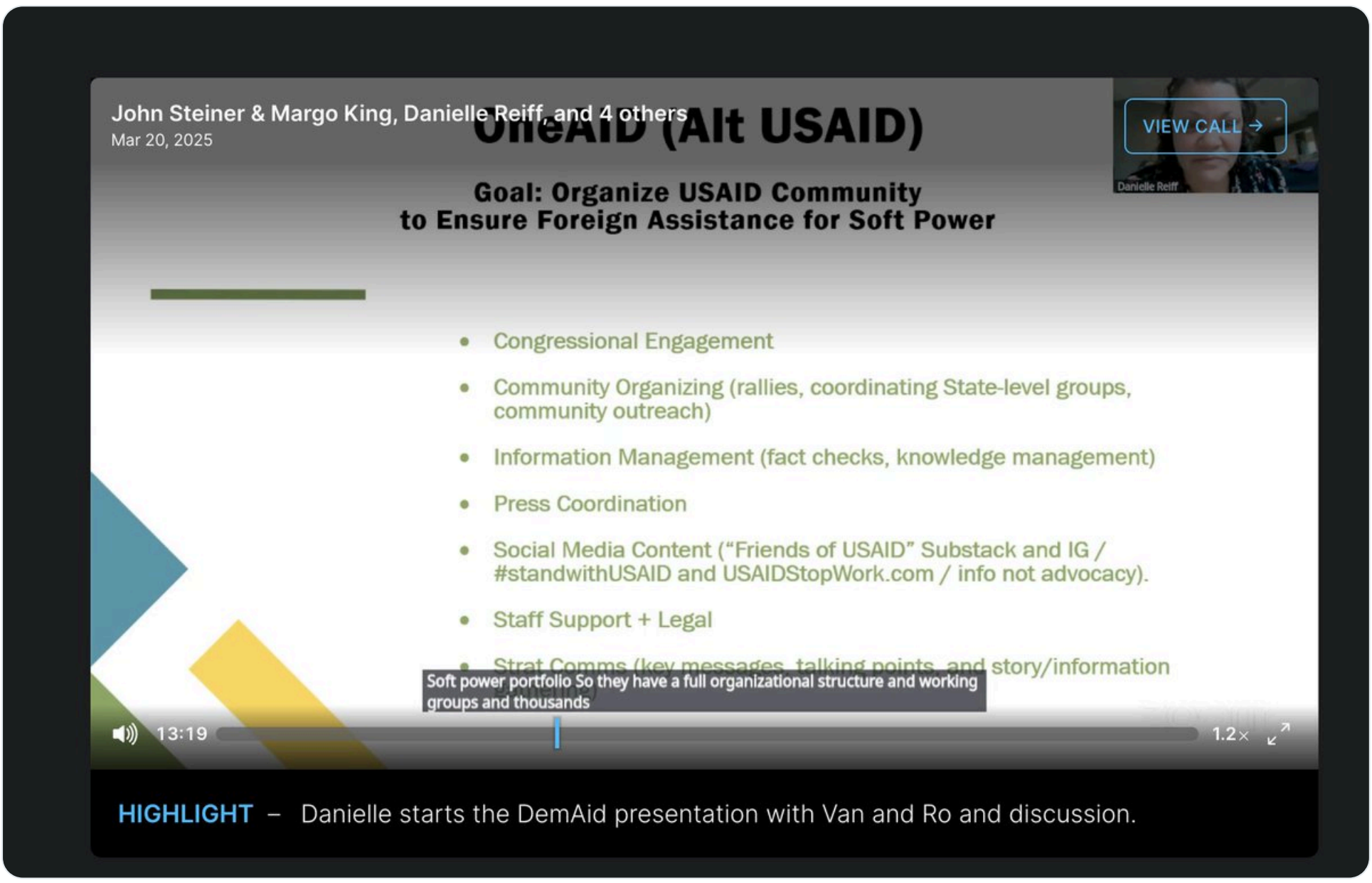
Yep, that's right. Inter-Movement Impact Project is directing the actions of ex-USAID employees who are trying to forment a color revolution.

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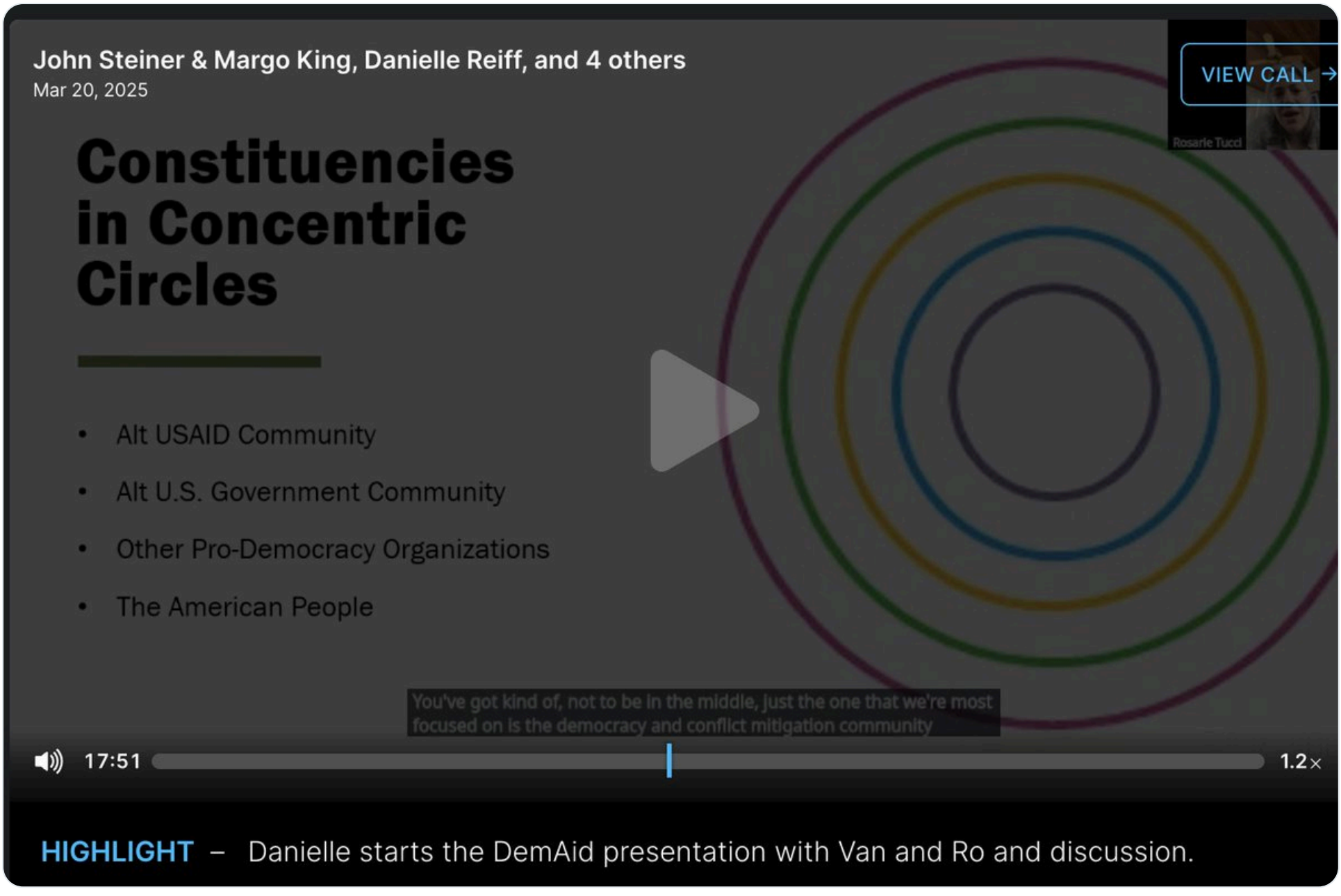
Next Up: Monday 4/7/25

Forging a Citizen-Led 'Thriving Together' Civic Democracy Movement + Future

Thriving Together US Nexus Organizing Forum
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@iamlisalogan @SKDoubleDub33 Here's a prior thread on DemAID :

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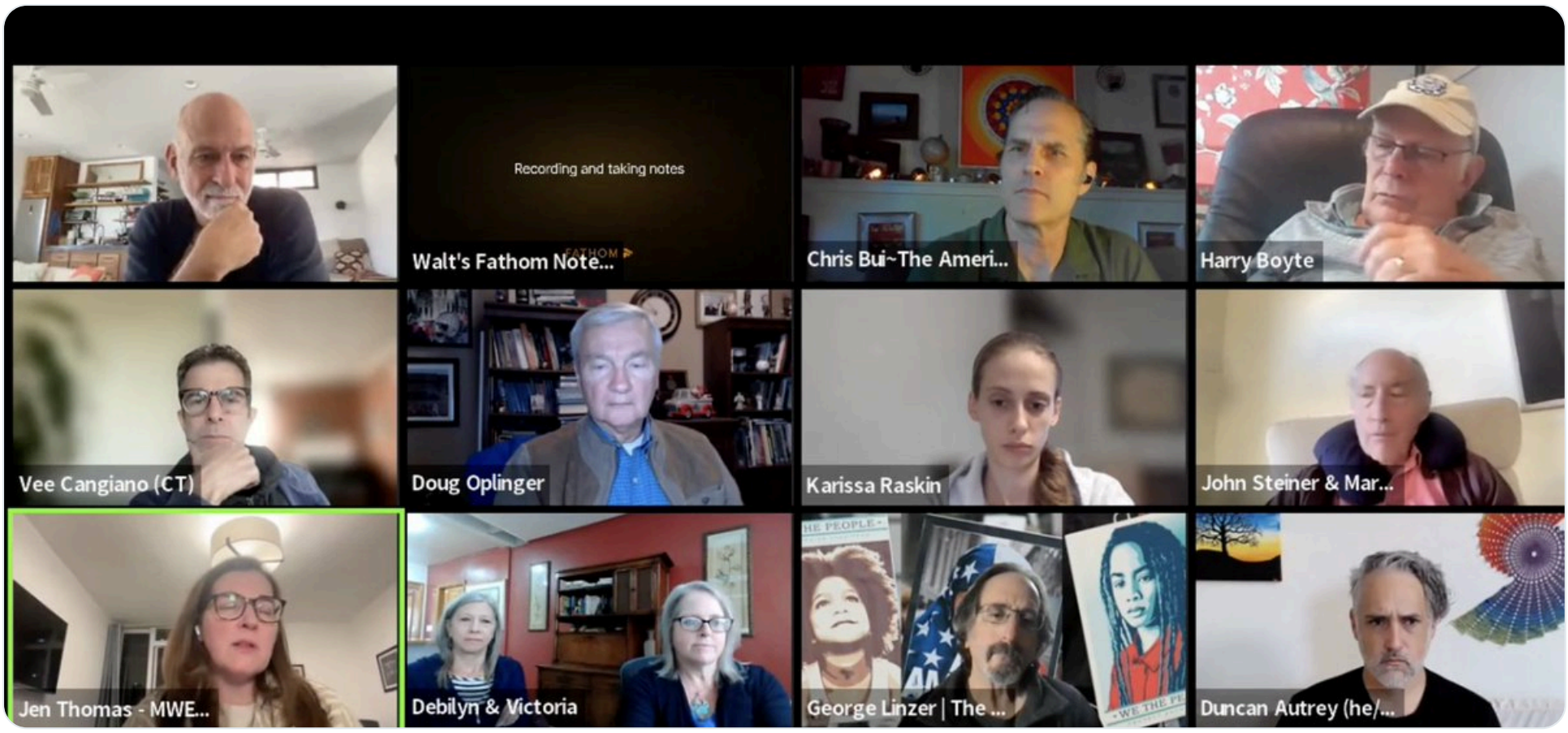
The goal of this group -- implement Rachel Kleinfeld's Strategy #4 to Support US Democracy. Effectively, what it means is they are flooding America with NGOs to transform local communities from inside-out and build support for transforming the USA to a true democracy.

@BasedMikeLee will be amused to know that one of those NGOs is Mormon Women For Ethical Government. If you look at the person on lower left of the second screenshot, that's Jen Thomas of MWEG.

The Thriving Together US Initiative Evolution

The Generate Democracy! Community Forum operates as one component of the broader Thriving Together US Initiative that began taking shape in the latter half of 2024. The forum materials explicitly tied this work to Strategy #4 of Rachel Kleinfeld's Five Strategies to Support US Democracy: "Build a broad-based, multistranded, pro-democracy movement around a positive vision concretized in locally rooted action."

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@iamlisalogan @SKDoubleDub33 Now, I haven't quite found the link to NoKings or Indivisible yet. The Koch brothers are definitely tied to this initiative, NoKings not as much. But it does have overlap in that some of the more progressive foundations of New Pluralists are also booting No Kings.

There's a lot more to this rabbithole. Like how both David French and Dignity Index are "Founding Field Builder" of New Pluralists. Or like how Nina Jankowicz is a project member of Mediators Foundation - her profile is scrubbed, but I captured the archive. Or like how several of the Mediators Foundation network is involved in UN's Pact for the Future initiative.

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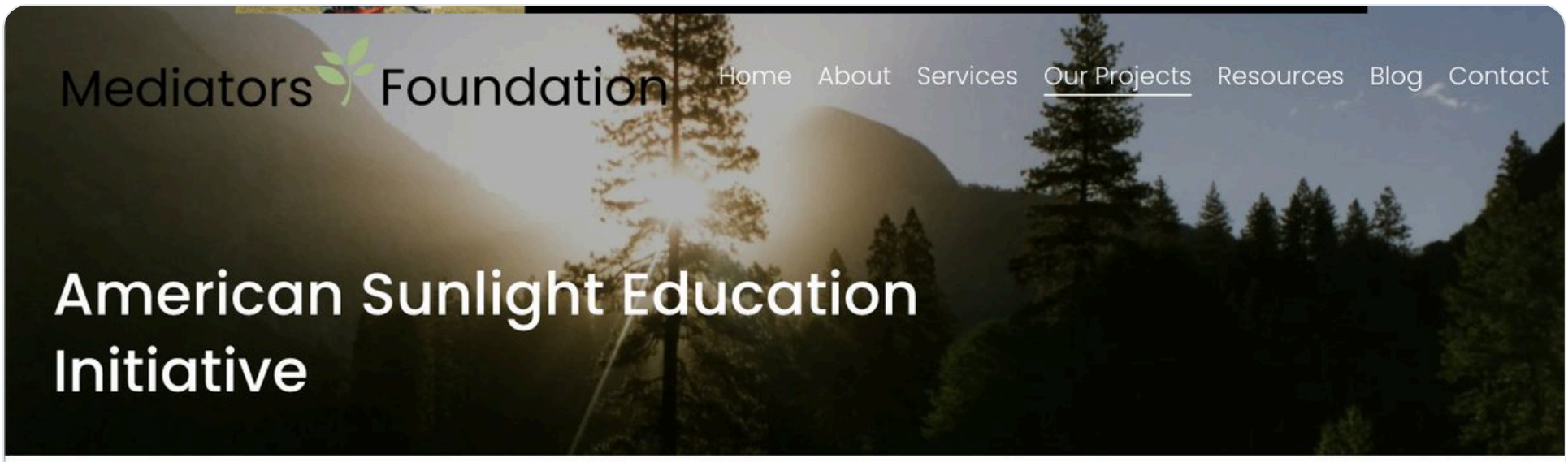
David French

Founding Field Builder

Democracy Funders Network

Dignity Index

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Nov 4

I just came across this in an Open Society Foundations document about how to fix public “mistrust” of liberal "democracy," and I honestly feel sick reading it. I've read many alarming quotes, but few are so "mask off" like this. "I believe the time has come for a responsible, courageous elite, those who care far more about addressing the genuine social problems than about election results. Only a political elite with vision, prudence and a focus on the general good—to whom the electorate… can cede part of their sovereignty in the elections—will be able to justify public trust and spearhead… our struggle to survive."" Read that again. The proposed solution to the public's distrust in democracy… is less democracy. An unelected "elite" to whom the public should cede sovereignty. Abolish democracy to save democracy. This kind of thinking is what we're up against.

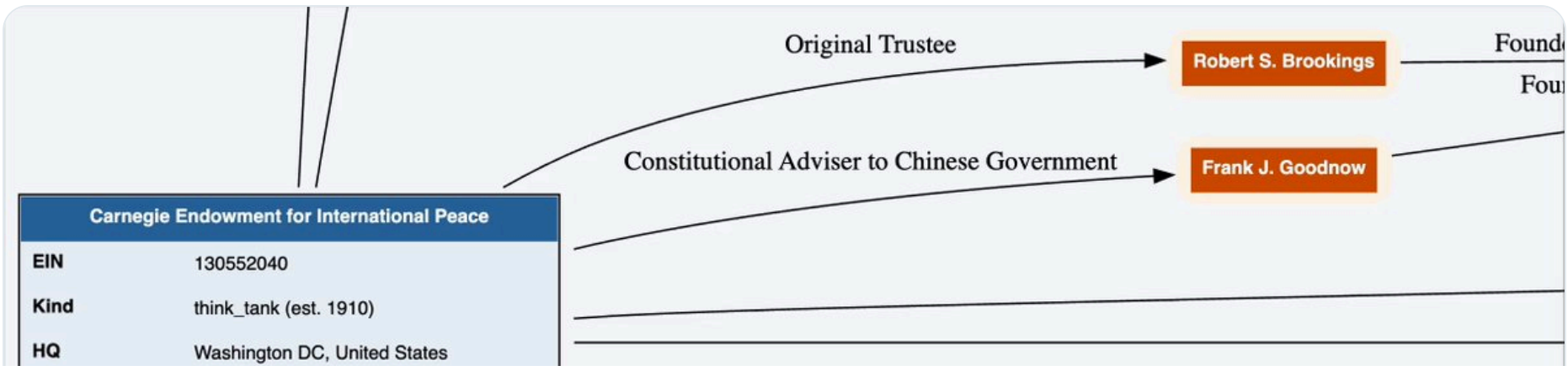
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Oct 22

I created a giant democracy connection map. Download is in the next link.



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Oct 14

👀 **Barack Obama's early Marxist activism tied to modern antifa-backing Alliance for Global Justice.** 🔷 In college, Barack Obama helped co-found a local chapter of CISPES (Committee in Solidarity with the People of El Salvador), a U.S. group that supported the FMLN, a Marxist guerrilla front fighting the U.S.-backed Salvadoran government. 🔷 CISPES often worked alongside the Nicaragua Network, which championed the Sandinista revolution in Nicaragua. (U.S. intelligence later confirmed that the Sandinistas supplied El Salvador's rebels with weapons and training.) 🔷 As the solidarity scene matured: • 1985: Nicaragua Network + Detroit CISPES ➡️ merge → CASC (Central America Solidarity Committee) • 1993: CASC + MICAH ➡️ merge → OSCA (Organization in Solidarity with Central America) • 1998: Former Nicaragua Network activists incorporate the Alliance for Global Justice (AFGJ), folding their old network inside as a project. Today AFGJ still operates as a left-wing umbrella group ... the same lineage that began with 1980s "solidarity" campaigns. So yes... the activist ecosystem that once rallied for Marxist guerrillas in Central America evolved, merged, and rebranded, and figures like Obama (via early CISPES work) and later Bill Ayers (through

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Oct 13

🧵 THREAD: Meet the Organizers Behind No Kings protest: Indivisible's Leah Greenberg & Ezra Levin us Taking a break from book writing for this... This week, the movement that started with a Google Doc... Indivisible... is back in the streets. ✊ Founded by former congressional staffers Leah Greenberg and Ezra Levin and funded by George Soros' Open Society network, Indivisible has grown from a viral guide into one of the most powerful grassroots networks in the U.S. Now, they're leading NoKings, a nationwide push to remind America that democracy means no one is above the law. 👑❌ This thread dives into who Greenberg and Levin are, how Indivisible rose to prominence, and what's really behind the "No Kings" movement. As always, patience as I pull the thread together in real time. 👇



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Oct 3

Does anyone know how the SPLC is funded? They report receiving over $100MM in contributions each year, but CauseIQ shows they receive few large grants from other nonprofits; they report only 26MM and that's over multiple years. That's unusual. (And, no, they don't report receiving government money.)

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Sep 24

🧵 THREAD: Richard Grenell: praising "diplomacy" with Maduro, Chevron, and the pro-Venezuelan MAGA faction ᴠᴇ Just last week, Grenell declared: "I've sat across from Nicolás Maduro... I believe we can still have a deal. I believe in diplomacy. I believe in avoiding war." Maduro is a Communist tyrant who has upended hundreds of thousands of lives, Venezuela is the self-declared capital of Antifa, and serves as the Western hemisphere proxy for Chinese and Iranian interests. Why is President Trump's special envoy talking like this on stage in Asunción? 🕳️🐴 The answer goes a lot deeper and darker than you'd think. This might be my most controversial thread yet... but it involves a whole lot of MAGA players who are invested in maintaining the status quo with Venezuela, mostly through Chevron oil licenses.



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