

Housing Justice breakout

Main projects/organizations represented: B Media Collective, De-Gentrifying Portland, Right 2 Survive, Empowered Voices Media Project

We had a go around where people gave updates on housing related issues.

R2S

Main focus right now is the Homeless Bill of Rights, in particular an action they will be doing in Salem

Dec 22nd where the bill will be presented to the OR legislature. More on this later in the notes.

Sharita gave updates on the project she she has been working on this summer called De-gentrifying Portland, a partnership between Self Enhancement Inc, the IPRC, Know Your City and more, which has been a series of workshops and public presentations for local youth of color to address the topic of gentrification and changing neighborhoods. Sharita also talked about an initiative in Portland's African-American community called the People's Plan, and Pathways 1000 which is a project aimed at bringing 1000 people back into N/NE Portland who have been displaced by gentrification.

Chris who is indigenous and from New Mexico talked about the housing struggles that are going on there.

Resources/Opportunities:

R2S radio program

Jason mentioned a show he is involved with on Portland Community Media called PDX Spotlight

Sharita mentioned a showcase event for her project that was coming up, sorry I forgot the exact details.

Needs/Outcomes we want to work on:

Creating a Youtube channel for OR Homeless Bill of Rights, compiling videos relevant to homeless issues and posting them on that channel.

Web development person to help R2S to get their radio archives up on their website.

People from EVMP and R2S have basic video skills, but want advanced video trainings in the kind of stuff B Media does. Some sort of video mentor program was an idea, where experienced video makers could be partnered with activists who have basic video skills to do occasional trainings and help with certain campaigns.

the idea was also mentioned for building a stable of experienced video producers who

would be available to occasionally make a video for campaigns or events for free.

(both of the previous ideas could apply to issues other than housing justice, but came up in the discussion around housing issues)

A very specific need is a promo video for the R2S campout in Salem on December 22nd. Nat will think about producing one in November.

there was an idea of creating a short block of videos on homeless issues that could play on PCM along with the promo video

idea that came up that could apply beyond housing issues: Ongoing series of benefit shows that could support various causes. Way to build bridges between socially conscious musicians and community organizations in need.