

Working People Need a Party Based on Our Own Class



That party does not exist today. Instead, there are two big parties, both serving the capitalist class and its chase after profit. But working people can build our own party, one that struggles to unite all our forces in a common fight.

My name is Ed Hershey, and I am running as a Working Class Party candidate for Illinois' 4th congressional district. I have been a teacher for 16 years at Lindblom High School, in West Englewood. I have seen how the city refuses to educate more and more of our youth - closing schools, starving them of funds, all while handing big payouts to companies and developers. I have been active in my school, in my union, with my students, and in my community. I was active in two teachers strikes, in 2012 and 2019. And in 2015 I ran for alderman of the 25th ward, to propose "A Working Class Fight." A vote for my campaign is a way to say you agree that such a fight must be made and that the working class must organize its own political party.



Vote for Working Class Party

Ed Hershey
U.S. Congress in the 4th District

A Working Class Program to Deal with the Capitalist Crisis

To catch up with what we've lost to inflation: Everyone's wages must be increased – NOW.

Minimum wage should be set high enough to support a family comfortably. There's wealth enough in this society to pay everyone a decent wage, including young people just starting out.

To keep pace with inflation: When prices go up, wages could go up an equal amount and IMMEDIATELY.

When prices go up, pensions and Social Security should also go up – and IMMEDIATELY.

To get rid of all the unemployment, obvious and hidden: Share out the work among everyone who wants to work.

We could all work fewer hours, and everyone could be paid a full, weekly check. The wealth our labor creates will more than pay for this.

To provide the services the population needs: Public money should be spent on systems serving everyone –

– schools, roads, bridges, public health and sanitation, water, sewers, transit, dams, parks, recreation centers, etc. The money is there, wasted today, propping up corporate profit, burned up in war. It must be taken back, made to benefit everyone.

To determine what kind of life we will have: Working people have to find the wealth the bosses steal from our labor.

We have to put our hands on the public money that is wasted. We can do that. We are in every company, every public service, every school – in the very center of the economy. Not only do workers make the economy run. As a class, we can decide how it should be run. And the working class has the power to make things run for the good of everyone.

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