

Rise and Resist General Meeting - Zoom Edition - 3.22.2022

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Facilitators: Jamie and Jennifer **Notes:** Livvie **Attendees:** 25

UPCOMING ACTIONS

- Thursday March 24, 11:00. Hochul's Office, 633 Third Avenue. **Emergency RAPP Rally.** Bail reform FAQs from Sen. Brad Hoylman's office: <https://www.nysenate.gov/newsroom/press-releases/brad-hoylman/bail-reform-faqs>
Vote to Endorse: Passed
- Grand Central, Thursday, March 24, 5:00. **Immigration Vigil.** We'll be highlighting the discrepancy in border policy for white vs brown/black refugees.
- Friday, March 25, 6-8, Capital Grill, 120 West 51st Street. **Action at Malliotakis fundraiser.** To challenge her on her Jan 6 votes.
Vote to sponsor: Passed
- Wednesday, April 6, 1:00, Foley Square. **Indict Action.** Keeping the January 6 issue alive.
- March 25, Friday, 1:30 **Fridays for Future Strike.** Start at 1:30 in front of Borough Hall BK the march across Brooklyn Bridge to Foley Square. Marshals needed! Sign up. <https://fridaysforfuture.org/March25/>

- March 13 - 23. **XR Spring Uprising**. Multiple actions, multiple affinity groups, some CD. RaR Climate is working with Finance and maybe Cypromining, also with Media Pressure Group.

Vote to Endorse: Passed

Guest Speaker Marvin Mayfield. Director of Organizing with CCA (Center for Community Alternatives), group working to change sentencing laws. Seeking to reduce reliance on incarceration. Raise the Age, Halt Solitary, Elder Parole all intersecting issues. Working w/NY legislature on bail reform. Communities Not Cages Campaign to end decarceration by restructuring sentencing laws. 1. Eliminate mandatory minimums (for repeat offenses) allowing judges to take extenuating circumstances into account, preventing prosecutors from extracting false guilty pleas. 2. Institute Second Look: If a person has a 25+ sentence and has served 10 or half of the sentence they can apply to have the original court revisit their sentence. (Unclear whether a prisoner is entitled to representation). 3. Increase Earned Time so prisoners can get sentences reduced by “good time,” currently only 7% of sentences are allowed (other states have as much as 70%). Hearing before sentencing to determine whether prison is the best course. Re: Criminal Justice Reform being blamed for crime increase: national uptick, not just NY.

Update RaR Website.

Need to eliminate calendar, defunct working groups, put old stuff in an archive, add new headings to remaining pages, add current info. Dann agreed to help. Jennifer will be the point person. SFJ Intern Meghan will be hired at \$35/hour to do 10 hours of work, with a cap of \$500.

Vote to spend \$500- passed.

Redistricting update.

Not as bad for Democrats as anticipated due to Republican extreme gerrymandering in the past. Dems may have gained 5 seats in Congress due to redistricting. Only 3 Dems will run in districts where Trump won. 15 Republicans will run in districts that Biden won. See Robert Hubbell and Jessica Craven newsletter for details. Read more here: <https://www.dropbox.com/s/q7dubeuvdplmgt/Redistricting%20Update%20March%2022.docx?dl=0>

REPORT BACKS

- March 16, Times Square. **Break The Silence**. Against anti-Asia violence. Part of a national action. 500 attendees in NYC plus livestream.

- March 17, **NYCAN** event in honor of Bayard Rustin. At Bayard Rustin's ex-house. To get the mayor to enact a nuclear disinvestment policy that the City Council passed.
- March 18, **Say Their Names**. Special because Amadou Diallo's mother came and read the column that included his name. Next Friday: 4:30.
- **Indict Pop-Up**. At Lenape Circle. Preceded by a half-marathon, which brought more hecklers to the site.
- March 22, **Truth Tuesday** at Fox. Putin impersonator with Tucker dummy. Eve from the Isle of Lesbos drummed. Flyer. April 5 - 1 Million dead in the USA. April 19 - part of Media XR Spring Rebellion Media Pressure actions.

Non Rise and Resist Actions

- NY Communities for Change **C.H.A.O.S. event**. March 28, 9:00 a.m Hochul's office, 633 Third Avenue. Sign up for support, non-CD roles
<https://tinyurl.com/MarchNYCActionsForm>
- **The Rainy Day is NOW**, Albany, 12:30, Invest in Our NY coalition action to protest Hochul putting \$10B surplus in a rainy day fund instead of investing in climate, daycare, etc. Sign up:
https://actionnetwork.org/events/the-rainy-day-is-now-invest-in-our-ny-2022-budget-day-of-action?source=direct_link&

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