



Roles in the Resistance

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Fighting Fascism on Multiple Fronts

- **Fascism attacks us using every method at its disposal.**
 - Capitalism suppresses both social mobility and personal freedom.
 - State propaganda rewrites history and narratives.
 - Law enforcement monopolizes martial power against the working class.
 - And more! (We could spend all day on this topic.)
 - **No single individual or skill set can be enough to counter every aspect of fascism.** This means we need to defend ourselves using multiple roles in our resistance.
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No War is Won by Infantry Alone

- Not everyone can be a social justice warrior on the frontlines! **A diversity of tactics requires a diversity of roles.**
 - Everyone wants to storm the barricades, but what about organizing spreadsheets and data to make that possible?
 - Protest is not meant to be a party. **Real resistance will always require real work.**
 - **EVERYONE HAS A ROLE IN THE RESISTANCE!**
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Choose your class



Warrior

- + High defense
- + "SHIELD WALL"
- Higher chance of being persecuted



Ranger

- + Very high crit chance
- + Low cost itens
- Low base damage
- Low defense



Sorcerer

- + High area damage
- + Anti-tank
- Friendly fire, literally
- Self fire too



Mage

- + Blocks enemy sight
- + Probably a Virtual Adept
- Weak in direct combat



Cleric

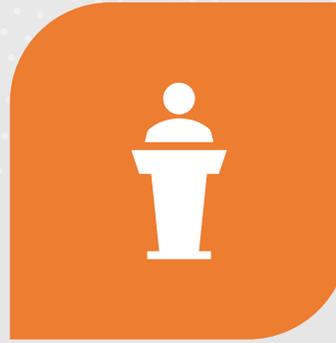
- + Can heal comrades
- + Keeps the team up
- Zero damage, even in late game



Bard

- + Buffs the entire party
- + Morale boosts
- Some may think you don't really do much

Resistance Archetypes



COMMUNITY BUILDING: PROVIDING EDUCATION AND MUTUAL AID NETWORKS, GATHERING FUNDS AND RESOURCES, PROVIDING SAFE MEETING SPACES.



INTEL AND RESEARCH: FINDING OUT THE WHERE/WHEN/WHY FOR DIRECT ACTIONS, PREPARING LEGAL CASES, PRESERVING RESTRICTED INFORMATION.



MEDIA: CREATING SOCIAL JUSTICE ART, COUNTERING STATE-SPONSORED PROPAGANDA, SPREADING THE WORD ON NEW EVENTS, RECRUITMENT.



FRONTLINE ORGANIZERS: MAKING PUBLIC SPEECHES, COMMITTING ACTS OF CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE, GATHERING AND DIRECTING LARGE GROUPS OF PEOPLE ON-SITE.

Community Building

- Examples: Karl Marx, Zohran Mamdani, Arcosanti
- Key Skills: Financial management, interpersonal mediation, education
- Purpose: To support the resistance in teaching people to lead themselves and stand up against injustice.



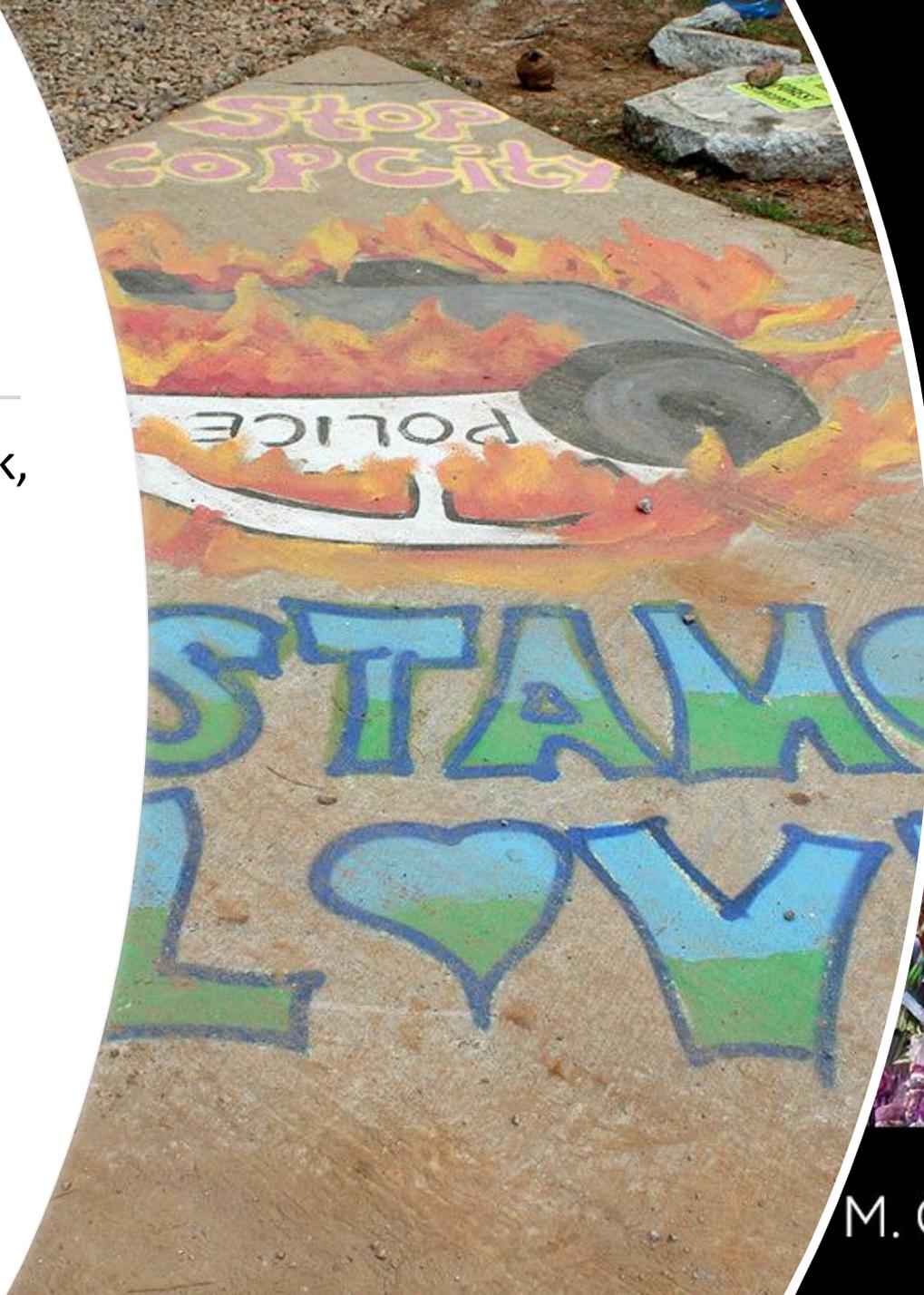
Intel and Research

- Examples: Chelsea Manning, Librarians Without Borders, Reality Winner
- Key Skills: Data gathering, analysis, lawsuits and legislation, archiving
- Purpose: To identify where/when the resistance is needed and how to confront injustice effectively.



Media

- **Examples:** John Steinbeck, M. Gessen, Banksy
- **Key Skills:** Networking, art/music, social media, advertising
- **Purpose:** To recruit and spread information through the resistance.



M. GESSEN

Frontline Organizers

- **Examples:** John Lewis, Greta Thunberg, Pia Klemp
- **Key skills:** Leadership, public speaking, security, medicine
- **Purpose:** To direct the resistance for tangible actions, including legal protest and civil disobedience.
- ***Be advised, this is typically the most high-risk role!***

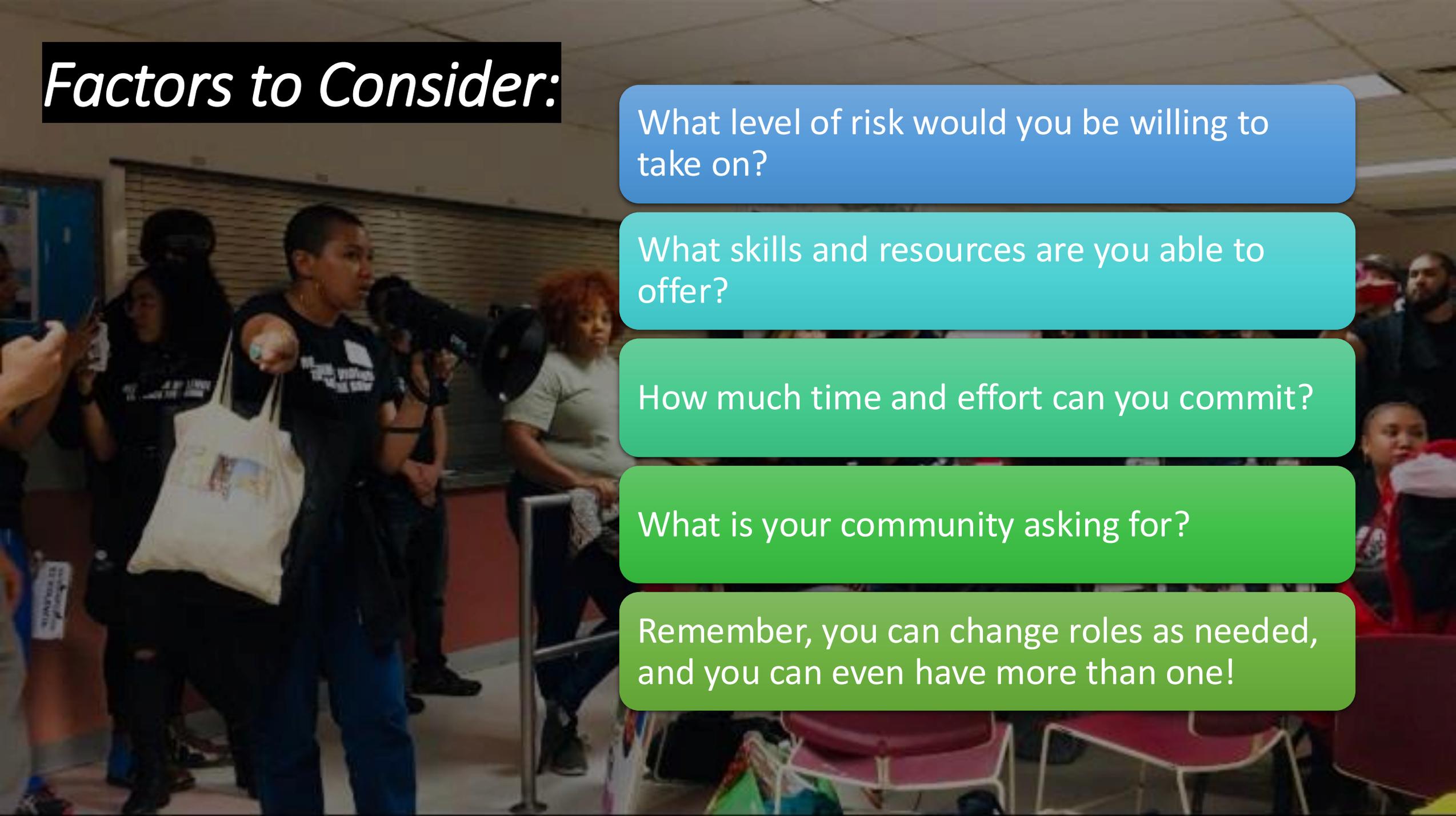


Which role is the leader?

- **Everyone has a responsibility to be their own leader.** Nobody in the resistance is “just following orders.”
- **No hierarchies!** Unity through equality will always win against a chain of command.
- If a single person needs to take charge of a job, this should be treated as a question of efficiency.
 - ***Who has the skills that the current situation demands?***



Factors to Consider:



What level of risk would you be willing to take on?

What skills and resources are you able to offer?

How much time and effort can you commit?

What is your community asking for?

Remember, you can change roles as needed, and you can even have more than one!

Select your character



Specializing and Creating New Roles

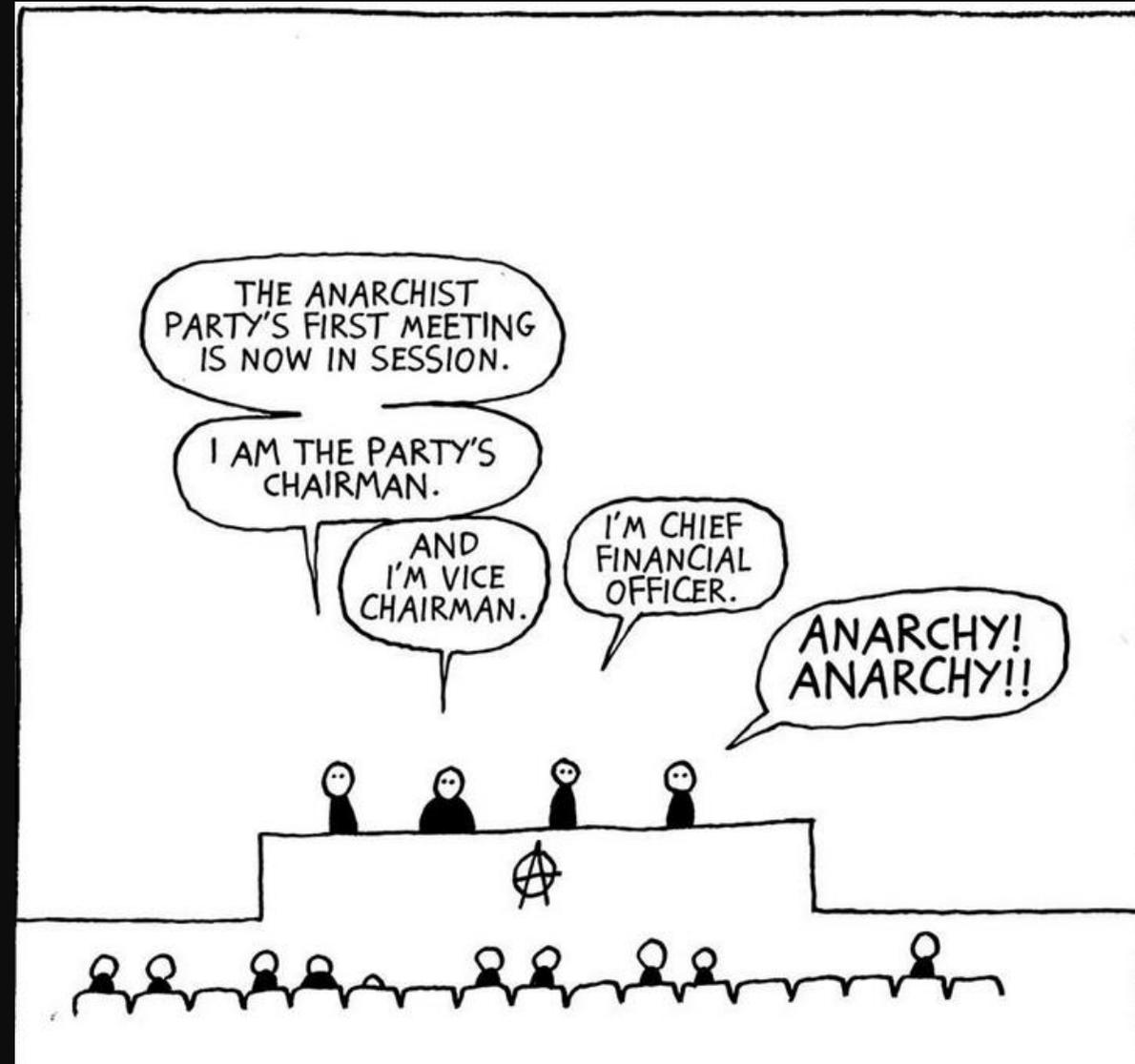
- The example archetypes here are only a starting point. Feel free to specialize or create new roles for the resistance as well!
- Two questions should be asked in either case:
 - What can you bring to the table that nobody else can offer?
 - What is needed that nobody else has seen yet?
- **Continuous education is the key to becoming effective in ANY role.**

Group Discussion: Let's Talk about Our Roles!

Choose a role and then gather with anyone else who picked the same role to ask each other these three questions:

- QUESTION 1: What does this role mean to you?
- QUESTION 2: What do you bring to the table?
- QUESTION 3: What do you hope to accomplish?

Compare your answers and see how the same roles can be carried out in different ways!



Your new mission!



COMMUNITY SUPPORT:

Create a network of at least TEN PEOPLE who can commit to helping each other carry out direct actions.



INTEL AND RESEARCH: Help at least TEN PEOPLE get new library cards and then use these to read a new book on political theory.



MEDIA: Create a new piece of protest art (music, painting, writing, etc) and then BRING YOUR WORK TO THE WORLD via publication or performance.



FRONTLINE ORGANIZERS:

Attend at least one NEW PROTEST in the coming week. If you cannot find a protest, organize one with your friends!