Recently, policymakers in Washington, D.C., took two important actions to begin laying the groundwork for a more prosperous and fair economy. One of those steps was reaching an agreement in principle on a Bipartisan Infrastructure Framework to make investments in our nation’s infrastructure. The other was the recent signing of an Executive Order by President Biden to promote competition in the economy.

After years of partisan gridlock and the inability or unwillingness of policymakers in D.C. to address the dangers of monopoly power and corporate concentration, last and this month’s actions are certainly welcomed developments. However, rather than stratégie anti-monopoly laws that fail to center the needs of people of color or keeping the IRS intentionally weak, Congress must do more to create the kind of economy that Black, Latinx, Asian, Indigenous, and Pacific Islander people need to thrive. Just as important, policymakers must also reject using bipartisanship as an excuse to continue the economic oppression of people of color.

Building a liberation economy and dismantling our oppression economy will require our governments to enact bold, transformative policy change. If COVID-19 and George Floyd’s murder have taught us anything its that policy is personal and that policy development cannot be done in a vacuum. This is why Liberation in a Generation will continue to courageously work towards building the power of people of color in order to create a world beyond our expectations.

WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO?

LibGen’s Testimony on the Credit Reporting System
Jeremie testified before the House Financial Services Committee about the biases within the credit reporting system and the need for reform, as part of a hearing titled “A Biased Credit System: Examining Proposals to Overhaul Credit Reporting to Achieve Equity.”

First Federal Policy Brief on Guaranteed Income
Guaranteed income can help people of color fully realize economic liberation, but it must be rooted in racial justice. We released our first-ever Federal Policy Brief on guaranteed income to show how we can dismantle the oppression economy & build toward liberation.

Partnering with Communities for a New California
A powerhouse of an organization, CNC is a 10-year old, robust grassroots organization building power in the San Joaquin and Coachella Valley communities. LibGen is supporting the development of their policy platform to prepare themselves for local electoral races in 2022. We have created an iterative engagement process to build leadership within the staff as we co-design their platform.

Interested in a workshop or presentation to educate, activate, or motivate your community? Interested in partnering with us to co-write a publication, co-host an event, or collaborate in some other way? Please fill out this inquiry form!

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