

Disturbing, racist <u>conduct</u> from our federal agencies. Disregard for the <u>safety</u> of people of color. Demonstrations of <u>"justice"</u> that are nothing more than <u>performative politics</u>. Dangerous <u>neglect</u> of our basic needs.

**This is America.** This is our government and its current systems. Violent and oppressive. Extractive. Exhausting.

Monuments of our <u>ancestors</u>. Music from our Black, queer <u>children</u>. Marches for our shared <u>justice</u>. Movements for our <u>communities</u> and for our <u>future</u>.

**This is us.** This is our people — always. Harmonious and empowering. Additive. Liberatory. Keep going.

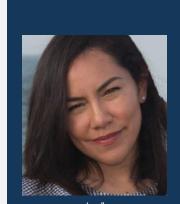
# **TODAY:** DC RALLY TO INVESTIGATE FACEBOOK



White supremacy. Covid misinformation. Election propaganda. We know Big Tech is harming our communities, but Facebook is especially dangerous. Today from 1:30–3:00pm ET, <u>Accountable Tech is rallying on</u> <u>Capitol Hill to demand Congress #InvestigateFB</u>. Squad up at the intersection of 1st St NW and Constitution Ave NW.

# **EXPANDING OUR TEAM TO SHARE OUR VISION**

Not only does Liberation in a Generation keep growing, but we're growing with the best. Now a team of nine, meet the three stellar folks who are making our vision for a <u>Liberation Economy</u> that much stronger:



## Ana Maria Argudo-Lord

**Chief Strategy Officer** 

As Chief Strategy Officer, <u>Ana Maria Argudo-Lord</u> is responsible for supporting the strategic growth and development of LibGen. She brings over 15 years of experience in the nonprofit sector working with mission-driven organizations and leaders to shift narratives and attract resources. Before joining the crew, Ana Maria was the Director of Philanthropy at Prosperity Now, where she helped center the organization's voice around racial economic justice and secured over

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\$12M in revenue. Ana Maria is originally from New York and loves the theatre. Earlier in her career, she stage managed and directed plays, which is why she craves collaborative work.

## **Charlisa Goodlet**

### **Policy Coordinator**

Expanding the policy team, <u>Charlisa Goodlet</u> joins LibGen as our Policy Coordinator. Her past work experience includes working in the New York State legislature and serving as part of racial and social justice campaigns. In her spare time she enjoys watching 90's sitcoms including *Martin* and obsessing over pitties on Instagram.



## **Adrien Lorenzo Weibgen**

Grassroots Relationships Manager



As LibGen's Grassroots Relationships Manager, <u>Adrien Lorenzo</u> <u>Weibgen</u> will provide support and collaboration to our growing network of partners across the country. Prior to LibGen, Adrien worked to support organizing groups in New York City fighting for housing and land-use justice. They've learned most of what they know from working with directly impacted community members and organizers, and we're grateful for all they bring. They are the proud parent of Datu, a great cat who taught himself to play fetch.



# **HEAR US**

Our latest contributions to *NextCity*'s #HearUs4Justice column include Jeremie and Katrina Gamble (Sojourn Strategies and the Economic Security Project) <u>on making</u> <u>progress permanent</u> through the Child Tax Credit and Tracey Corder (ACRE) <u>on getting politicians out of the</u> <u>way of Black organizer's demands</u>.

# **IN CASE YOU MISSED IT + WHAT'S TO COME**





Coming up: On Friday, October 8, LibGen Policy Director Emanuel Nieves is taking part in a policy forum on why tax justice is racial justice. Hosted by the Georgia Budget and Policy Institute, you can RSVP <u>here</u>.

# NETROOTS \* NATION SAVE THE DATE OCTOBER 7–9

### **Netroots Nation**

On October 7 & 8, Solana will be part of Netroots Nation, moderating the "A Democratic Vision and Policy Agenda for the Next Generation of State Leaders" <u>panel</u> and the "Guaranteed Income from the Ground Up: Building Power and Policy in Community" <u>panel</u>, respectively. Check it out and get your

#### <u>conference registration</u> in.



**Debt Fearmongering** Deficit squawks aren't worried about the national debt — they're worried about protecting white supremacy. For *Blavity*, Jeremie and Groundwork's Rakeen Mabud walk through <u>the history of racism that upholds deficit</u> <u>fears today</u>.

## **New #ProsperUS Statement**



"This reconciliation fight is a fight to dismantle the same racist barriers to access and equity that entrenched a crisis of inequality long before the pandemic and recession hit." Read more of what Jeremie had to say in the <u>latest</u> #ProsperUS statement with additional insight from our friends including Jhumpa Bhattacharya.



## <u>#TaxTheRich</u>. Advance Racial Equity.

Led by Americans for Tax Fairness, LibGen was 1 of 28 organizations <u>urging</u> Congress to pass *at least* a \$3.5 trillion budget package. People of color can't afford anything less.



#### "Debt Is Discretionary"

Solana joined Briana "Bri" Franklin, President and CEO of the Prosp(a)rity Project, <u>on IG Live</u> to discuss student debt (and why canceling it is a no brainer), the power of the collective, and how we overcome oppression in one generation.



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