Toward Liberation, TODAY

So much is possible, far beyond our imaginings. And so much is within reach and can be done right now. These truths are not mutually exclusive. In the face of the fall of reproductive justice, we hold tight to our vision and to our principles. In today’s Oppression Economy, communities of color are constantly presented with false choices. One of the most problematic is having to decide between moving toward a liberated future “or” helping our people with the tools we have now. That’s why we teamed up with Common Future this month, to launch our new Radical Pragmatism framework.

Radical Pragmatism aims to upend systems of oppression by shifting economic and political power, while seizing opportunities to help our folks in today’s real world. It’s a framework whose principles define and guide all of LibGen’s work, and we invite you to consider ways it can guide yours. Learn more at radicalpragmatism.org and check out our video on building a power-FULL future below.

Uncertainty is uncomfortable, and the fears we’re holding right now are valid. But as Solana reminded our team, every day after the passage of Roe was a defense. Here are some of the leading, Black feminist-led reproductive justice groups that won’t let up. Please donate if you can.

And FWIW, here’s where we showed up in June:

Our column in NextCity featured two new pieces in June, beginning with Demos’s LeBaron Sims on a proposed public bank in New York City that would “build community wealth by investing in priorities and unmet needs of New Yorkers.” NextCity also published a transcribed conversation between LibGen’s own Kata Diaz and Tammy Thomas Miles of Community Change, about why communities of color are best positioned to lead on narrative change.

LibGen staffers Kendra Bozarth and Azza Altirai teamed up this month on a piece in The Forge about the “common problem” we need to solve, the need to build stronger movements: exercising ambition, leaning into strategic discipline, and leading with the process. Their piece is a must-read for anyone working toward liberation, particularly in the antimonopoly space.

The final episode of Season 1 of LibGen’s podcast, Raci$m Is Profitable, dropped last month, and its companion piece rounded out The Forge’s RIP series. The podcast was also featured on NextCity’s list of “11 Podcasts for People Who Love Cities.” Stay tuned on Twitter for forthcoming news about Season 2!

Don’t miss our upcoming pieces on NextCity and LibGen.

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