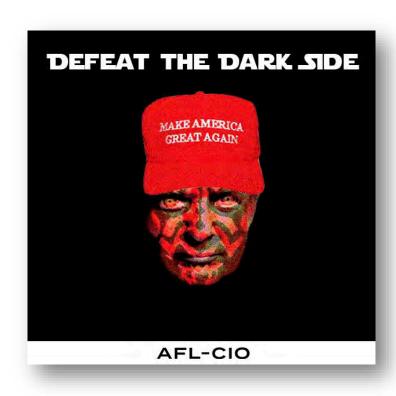
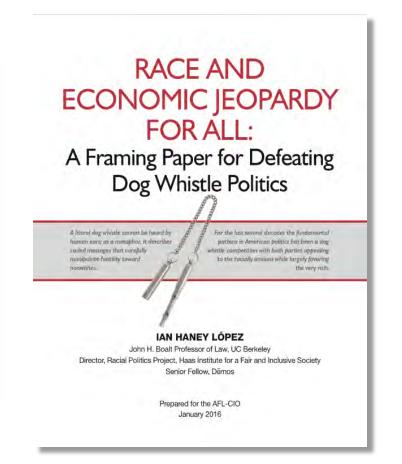
# BUILDING COALITION TO MOVE A WINNING AGENDA FOR WORKING PEOPLE







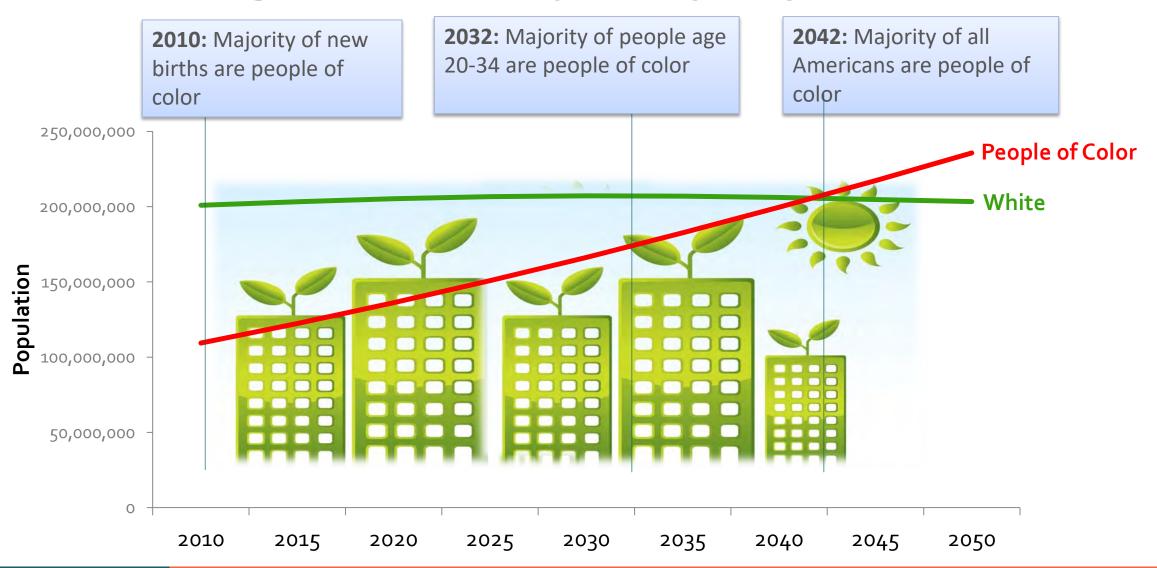
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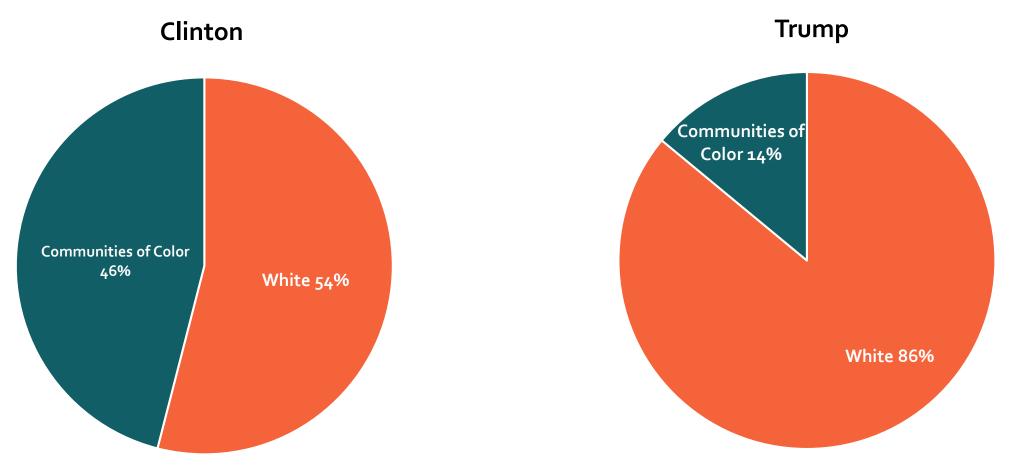
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# THE CONTEXT

# 1. Rising New Majority by 2042



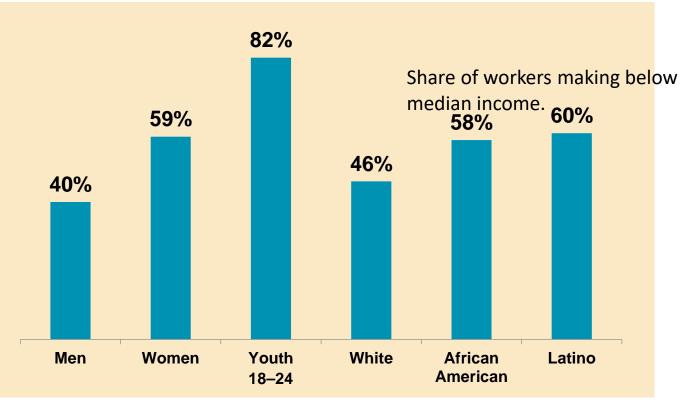
# 2. Elections and Demogramics: 2016 Coalitions, NJ, VA and AL



Source: National Exit Polls

# 3. Today's Jobs Aren't Living Wage Jobs





Source: Census Bureau Current Population Survey, 2015

Source: Social Security Administration

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# THE POLITICAL CONTEXT

#### What We Know For Sure

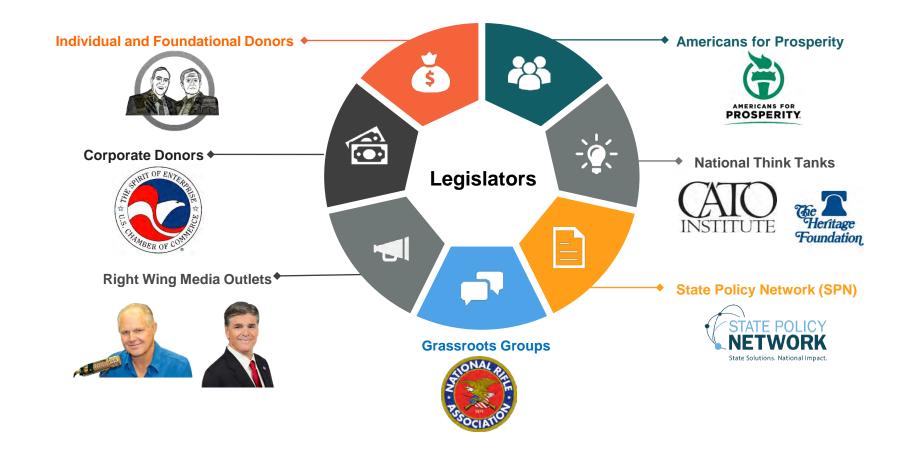
#### Elections have consequences ...

# Midterm turnout is consistently older, whiter, and more conservative than Presidential elections.

- > Increasing concentration of Democratic voters in urban areas.
- > Increased voter suppression in most Battleground States.
- > Strong (ish) economy expected to continue.
- > Progressive enthusiasm and engagement on the rise.
- > Trump, Republican disapproval is at an all time low.



# The Kochs Have Been Organizing For 30 Years Committed \$400 Million for 2018



#### **Discussion in Pairs**

 What organizations matter most in your community in addressing issues of economics and working people?

Are these organizations connected?

Where does labor unions and labor organizations fit in?

# COALITIONS

#### coalition

[koh-uh-lish-uh n]

noun

1) a combination or alliance, especially a temporary one between persons, factions, states, etc.

2) a union into one body or mass; fusion.

# **Major Progressive Coalitions**

- AFL-CIO
- National Hispanic Leadership Agenda
- Center for Community Change
- Center for Popular Democracy
- National Council of Churches
- PICO
- America Votes
- GAMALIEL
- Leadership Conference on Civil and Human Rights
- Democracy Initiative
- State Voices
- National Pan-Hellenic
- Movement for Black Lives
- Labor Constituency Groups (LCCA)

#### What are they?

How are they structured?

How are they different?



#### DEFINE WHO YOU ARE ...

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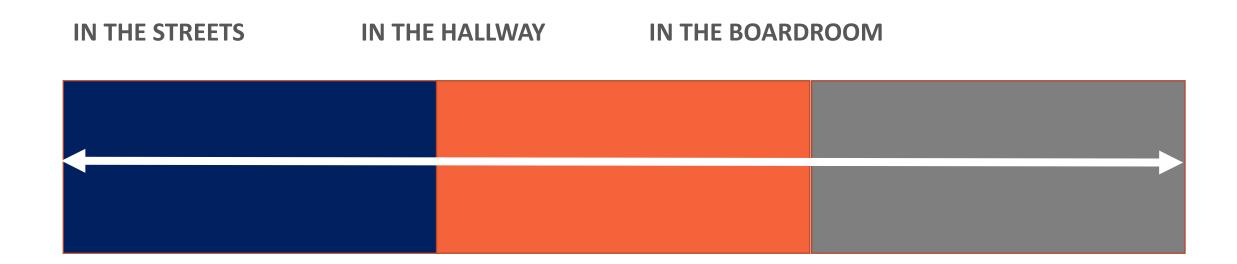






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## The Progressive Spectrum

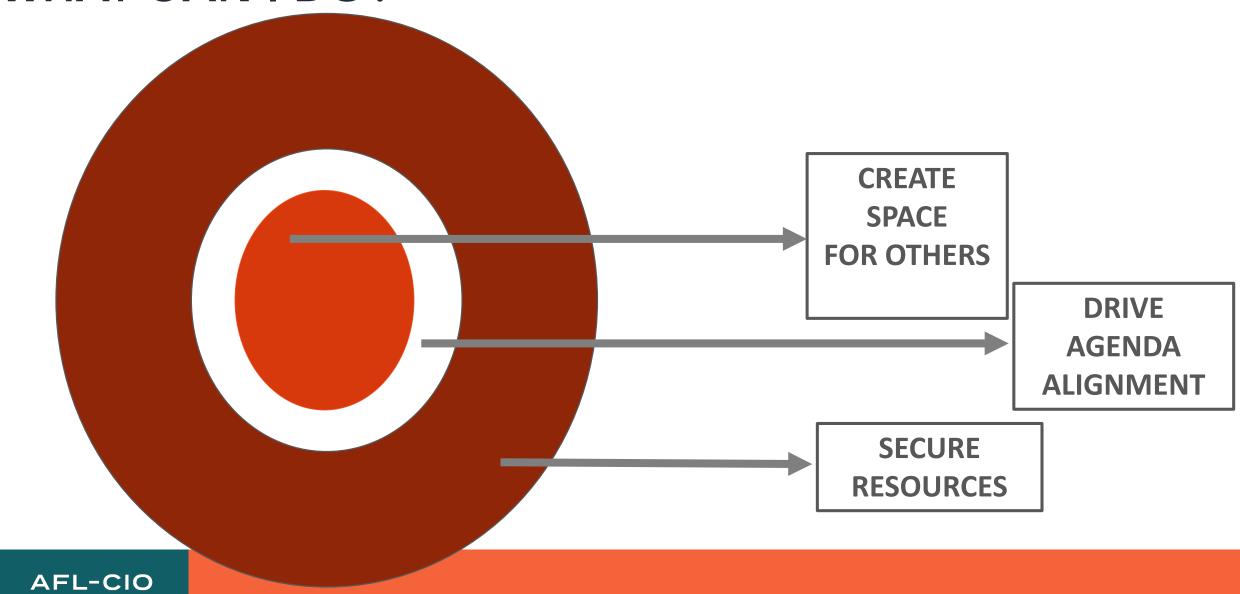




#### DO WHAT YOU CAN DO ...



#### WHAT CAN I DO?



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