

WHAT DOES THE WORK LESS PARTY STAND FOR?

KEY THEMES AND GOALS:

1 | HORIZONTAL, DIRECT DEMOCRACY

- Ensure grass roots drive political leadership
- Establish people's assemblies
- Provide public funding of elections
- Legislate proportional representation
- Provide accessible mechanisms for recall of elected officials
- Hold public referendums
- Commit to real community consultation and participation
- Support indigenous sovereignty
- Create local accountability
- Ban private money in elections

2 | ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

- Support a "seven generations" philosophy
- Halt tar sands exploitation
- Block the pipelines
- Ban oil tankers off our coast
- Ban fracking
- Cancel the Site-C Dam project
- Ban open-net salmon farms
- Ban GMOs
- Establish stringent waterway protection

- End clear cuts and support sustainable logging
- Create more urban green spaces
- Create more community gardens and public spaces
- Require high level LEED building standards in all new developments

3 | TRANSITIONING ECONOMIES

- Decolonize and develop local economies
- Demand sustainable resource use, not exploitation
- Support local and alternative currencies
- Create local jurisdiction for decision making
- Build community capacity
- Establish viable, mixed-demographic communities
- Require residency or rental for purchase of housing and enforce squatter rights
- Provide a guaranteed minimum income
- Legislate a living minimum wage
- Provide public space for community use
- Emphasize preventative health care
- Create a Crown Corporation for the development of pharmaceuticals
- Provide community resources for social and safety services, including peacekeeping
- Decriminalization and regulate drugs
- End the poverty industry
- Provide for community-based problem-solving
- Facilitate community-driven, sustainable urban development

4 | DE-GROWTH

- Reintegration of economy and ecology
- Encourage less industrial work
- Shorten the work week and increase paid holidays
- Focus on the quality of life and community development
- Emphasize quality of life over quantity of consumption
- Create time for family, community, and society
- Support political and community engagement
- Provide significant funding for arts and culture along with artistic autonomy
- Provide opportunities for youth in a post-neoliberal economy
- Establish public childcare and day care for all
- Provide fully-funded public education including university/college
- Provide community support for families and elders
- Work towards meaningful banking and stock market reforms