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No more government controlled by the wealthy

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Civilization is defined by rules and the corporate wealthy generate the rules under our government. But the power to determine rules needs to be in the hands of the people. Workers, farmers, suffrage activists, civil rights activists, abolitionists, populists and New Deal socialists have fought to create a more inclusive and democratic society.

When popular movements led to the progressive New Deal era, the rules of the economy were leveled to ensure working people were treated and paid fairly. Since the late '70s, corporate lobbyists have infested Washington. Thousands of political action committees have formed. Right-wing think tanks like the Cato Institute and the Heritage Foundation have wrenched public policy from the hands of the people. Political campaign spending has gone through the roof thanks to the Citizens United Supreme Court decision. More and more money has infected our two-party system, which is now utterly useless and hopelessly corrupt.

The only way to challenge this “government by the wealthy” is to demand a fair and just economy once again as was done in the '30s.