What Monetary Reform Means to Greens?
To live on a living planet!
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A NEW AMERICAN REVOLUTION
Revolution?
Spinning around and ending up in the same place?

NO!
We want Solution!
Coalition of Care

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A transition from
The Economics of Greed
To the
Economics of Care
Public vs Private
Private Money

Money issued for personal gain as interest bearing debt (usury) creates

The Economics of Greed

Systematically causes:

Predatory Competition

Endless Growth & Short Term Thinking

Concentration of wealth

A Mountain of Debt
Public Money

Money is issued as a public asset for societies' needs and priorities, creating The Economics of Care.

Sharing encouraged
Regenerative growth
Broad based prosperity
No mountain of debt
The purpose of the Federal government

“..to form a more perfect Union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, **promote the general welfare**, and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity.”
[5] Congress shall have the power to coin money and regulate the value thereof.
COST

PRIVATE MONEY SYSTEM
Cost is a penalty, money out of your pocket, that must be paid either through taxes or through a loan from a private commercial bank that creates the money by fiat and lends it to us, which must be paid back with interest, a debt.

PUBLIC MONEY SYSTEM
Cost is not a matter of money because the amount needed can be created by fiat. Cost then becomes a matter of resources, what labor and materials, can we afford to use. Instead of a debt, money is a public asset reconnecting the economy to the ecology creating a Resource Based Economy. (the commons)
"The behavior of whole systems is unpredicted by the behavior of their parts taken separately."

I am a generalist

Bucky Fuller
The debt-money system can be likened to a disease.

Treating the symptoms of a disease serves only to mask the disease.

Money is the connecting tissue between all issues.
"There are a thousand hacking at the branches of evil to one who is striking at the root."

Henry David Thoreau
WE CARE ABOUT THE SYMPTOMATIC BRANCH ISSUES

Poverty & homelessness

WAR

Election Fraud

Racism

Pollution

Animal cruelty and the 6th Extinction

There are many more.
Like playing Whac-A-Mole
Public money could bring us closer to this.
“The system is rigged!”
Senator Elizabeth Warren
First Prime Minister of England, 1844

“The world is governed by very different personages from what is imagined by those who are not behind the scenes.”
“History records that the money changers have used every form of abuse, intrigue, deceit, and violent means possible to maintain their control over governments by controlling money and its issuance.”

Conspiracy theorist?

James Madison 1751-1836
“Governments make the mistake of giving too much power to the rich…”

Aristotle 384 – 322 B.C.

Why is money so important?
MONEY HAS THE POWER OF LIFE AND DEATH

Without money, people die.
Princeton University study: Public has no influence on Public Policy

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200 most politically active companies in America cash in influence.

MONEY IS POWER
“The United States debt, foreign and domestic was the price of liberty.”
~A. Hamilton
The opposite is true; the public and private debt costs us our liberty.
Bankster with Corporate Tentacles.
Can we regulate it?

Architect William McDonough

“The need for regulation is always a sign of a faulty system design.”
1991 ---- "We are grateful to the Washington Post, the New York Times, Time Magazine, and other great publications whose directors have attended our meetings and respected their promises of discretion for almost 40 years. It would have been impossible for us to develop our plan for the world, if we had been subjected to the lights of publicity during those years. But the world is now more sophisticated and prepared to march towards a world government. The supranational sovereignty of an intellectual elite and world bankers is surely preferable to the national auto-determination practiced in past centuries."
"Capital must protect itself in every possible way, both by combination and legislation. Debts must be collected, mortgages foreclosed as rapidly as possible. When, through the process of law, the common people lose their homes, they will become more docile and more easily governed through the strong arm of government applied by a central power of wealth under leading financiers. These truths are well known among our principal men who are now engaged in forming an imperialism to govern the world. By dividing the voter through the political party system, we can get them to expend their energies in fighting for questions of no importance. It is thus by discreet action we can secure for ourselves that which has been so well planned and so successfully accomplished."

American Banker Association, 1924
NATIONS ARE ENSLAVED BY DEBT!

A government that does not issue its nation’s money is controlled by those who do.
Jeroen Dijsselbloem
President of the Eurogroup
“Elections cannot be allowed to change the economic policies of any country.”

Yanis Varoufakis
THE WEB OF DEBT!

BANK OF INTERNATIONAL SETTLEMENTS (BIS) Basil, Switzerland
THE WEB OF DEBT!

20 Banks
196 Nations
2300 Corporations
7 billion people
Whose Boss?

The Revolving Door

Federal Government
- Treasury Sec (Clinton)
- US Senator (D)
- Treasury Sec (Bush)
- Chief of Staff (Obama)
- Under Sec of State (Obama)
- Chairman, FIAF (Obama)
- Dep Director, NEC (Obama)
- Ambassador/Germany (Obama)
- Chief of Staff, Treasury (Obama)
- COO, SEC Enforcement (Obama)
- White House staff (Obama)
- White House counsel (Obama)
- Under Sec of Treasury (Clinton), Chairman, CFTC (Obama)

Goldman Sachs
- Robert Rubin
- John Corzine
- Henry Paulson
- Rahm Emanuel
- Robert Hormats
- Stephen Friedman
- Diana Farrell
- Philip Murphy
- Mark Patterson
- Adam Storch
- Alexander Lasry
- Sonal Shah
- Gregory Craig
- Gary Gensler

Co-COO, Co-Chairman
CEO
CEO
Contract Employee
Vice Chairman, GS Int'l
Co-COO, Chairman
Financial Analyst
Sr Director (Frankfurt)
Goldman Sachs Lobbyist
VP, Business Intelligence
Analyst, Gov Affairs
VP, Environmental Policy
Chief Counsel, defending SEC suit
Co-Head of Finance
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Federal Government
- Staff: FCC Commissioner (Clinton)
- Legal Counsel, FCC (Clinton)
- White House OPA (Clinton)
- Staff: FCC Commissioner (Clinton)
  - Staff: Sen. Daschle (D)
  - US Representative (D)
  - US Representative (D)
  - Chief of Staff: Sen. Kohl (D)
  - Chief of Staff: Sen. Reid (D)
  - Staff: Sen. Rockefeller (D)
  - Staff: Sen. Schumer (D)
  - Staff: Rep. Tauzin (D)
  - Staff: Rep. Schiff (D)
- FCC Commissioner (Bush, Obama)
- FCC Advisory Comm. (Obama)
- Obama fundraiser

Comcast
- Sr. Director, Public Policy
- Lobbyist
- Sr. Director, Fed. Gov’t Affairs
- Comcast Attorney
- Sr. VP, Gov’t Affairs
- Lobbyist
- Lobbyist
- Lobbyist
- Sr. VP, Corporate Affairs
- Lobbyist
- Lobbyist for Comcast-NBC merger
- Sr. Director, Policy Counsel
- Lobbyist
- Sr. VP, Gov’t Affairs
- Sr. Dir, External Affairs/Public Policy
- Executive VP, Gov’t Affairs

*Cohen is a prominent, well-connected Democrat, but has held no official position in the federal government.*
A public money system would provide a more caring & cared for society and planet for liberals and fewer taxes and less government for conservatives.
“Their wars are not Our wars, their economy is not Our economy, their government is not Our government, we can change this...it is in Our hands.”
PEOPLE DON'T REALIZE HOW HARD IT IS TO SPEAK THE TRUTH

TO A WORLD FULL OF PEOPLE THAT DON'T REALIZE THEY'RE LIVING A LIE
Money Myths

1. Our money is created and issued by the government.

2. Banks lend out existing money in time deposits.
Memes - Facts - Beliefs

Money doesn’t grow on trees
Money can’t buy you love
Money can’t buy you happiness
Its only money
The rich get richer, the poor get poorer
I’m not good with money
Money isn’t spiritual
Its selfish to want money
A penny saved is a penny earned
Another day another dollar
More money more problems
It takes money to make money

Don’t think about the money …system.
The economy is the exchange of goods and services among people.
Permaculture:
A systems design science for harmonizing human habitation with nature.
"Economics without input from psychology is similar to doing mechanics while ignoring the laws of physics."

- Economist Wesley Claire Mitchell

The values that a monetary system is based on will become the dominant values of the society.
‘The Psychological Consequences of Money’

In 2006 Kathleen Vohs and colleagues; study published in Science magazine

"The mere presence of money changes people… money can be a barrier to social intimacy."
1. Sat farther apart from each other
2. Hesitated to ask others for help
3. Responded to requests for help as if insensitive to others
4. Preferred working alone to collaboration

1. Sat close together as a group
2. Did not hesitate to ask for help
3. Were sensitive to how others felt
4. Laughed, joked and collaborated
“Together, the results of these studies demonstrate that mere exposure to money can trigger unethical intentions and behavior…”
7 Studies: Effects of money on behavior


#1: We rationalize advantage by convincing ourselves we deserve it.
#2: People who make less are more generous...on the small scale.
#3: People who make less are more generous...on the large scale.
#4: Rich people are more likely to ignore pedestrians.
#5: Poverty impedes cognitive function.
#6: Those with less are better at reading facial expressions.
#7: Wealthier children tend to be more distressed than lower-income kids, and are at high risk for anxiety, depression, substance abuse, eating disorders, cheating and stealing.
Usury:
The abuse of monetary authority for personal gain.

Dante puts the usurers in the lowest sub-circle of hell.
....the anti-art: it produces nothing substantial...
...an extraordinarily efficient form of violence by which you do the most damage with the least effort.

Usury was a sin in every religion.

Usury is the progenitor of the 7 deadly sins: Wrath, Greed, Sloth, Pride, Lust, Envy, Gluttony

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How's The Water?

WHAT THE HELL IS WATER?
What is the problem?

1. It is not an issue for most people.

2. It's too complex for most to understand.

3. We want to eliminate money.
“Gift Economy”
Leftist Critiques

1. Exchange = capitalism and patriarchy
2. Scarcity is necessary for a system of exchange to function.
3. Markets can only be competitive
4. Private property is the problem
5. Money is the problem, eschew it
“Only the small secrets need to be protected. The big ones are kept secret by public incredulity.”

Marshall McLuhan:
The Social Management System

Mass Schooling

Mass Media

To limit the range of dialogue and keep people in line.
The Social Management System

Mass Schooling functions
1. Adaptive = obedience
2. Integrating = conformity
3. Differentiating = sorting classes
4. Directive = specific role
5. Selective = tag the unfit
6. Propaedeutic = the managers

Psychological services
Universities Economics Marx

Mass Media
Propaganda, Bernays
Psychological Engineering
Of the Masses.
Control both sides of the debate.

In the 1922 Ellwood P. Cubberley, Professor of Education at Stanford Junior University wrote: "Our schools are, in a sense, factories, in which the raw products (children) are to be shaped and fashioned into products to meet the various demands of life. The specifications for manufacturing come from the demands of twentieth-century civilization, and it is the business of the school to build its pupils according to the specifications laid down."
“It should always be borne in mind money in the form of precious metal remains the foundation from which the credit system, by its very nature, can never detach itself.”

The system of private bank debt-money is capitalism's essential feature, and yet, it is completely missing from the study and definition of Capitalism!

Money plays the largest part in determining the course of history
Karl Marx, Prussian-German philosopher and revolutionary socialist (1818 - 1883)
Economic and political systems

Capitalism –
*Private ownership of the means of production*

Democracy –
*Majority rule, power to the people*
Capitalism – *Private control of money*

Democracy – *Public control of money*
Bernhard Lietaer asked Paul, “Why, with all your influence, don’t you tell people how the money system works?"

Paul replied, “Didn’t they warn you about not touching the monetary system? If you insist on talking about it, it will kill you academically.”

The “Nobel” in economics; the prize given by the central bank of Sweden “in honor of Alfred Nobel.”

Because that is where the power is!
Making Change Concrete
Ingredients:

1. A critical mass of people dissatisfied with the current economic system.
2. Large scale support for a new economic narrative capable of replacing the old one.
Iceland looks at ending boom and bust with radical money plan. Icelandic government suggests removing the power of commercial banks to create money and handing it to the central bank.
The Swiss Sovereign Money campaign is leading the initiative and aims to curtail financial speculation, demanding that commercial banks hold 100 per cent reserves against their deposits. This issue will have to go to a referendum under Swiss law now that the petition has gained more than 100,000 signatures within 18 months of launching.
1. Take the power to create money away from the banks, and return it to a democratic transparent and accountable process

2. Create money free of debt

3. Put new money into the real economy rather than financial markets and property bubbles
SOMETHING IS HAPPENING HERE....
The Big Issue is money (no media)
LEVERAGE!
TPP – Makes everything public illegal!

TINA, this requires political action.
One touch of nature makes the whole world kin.

~ William Shakespeare
BLESSED ARE THE WORK-AROUNDS
PUT THE GREENBACK IN GOVERNMENT

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The People’s Money for the People’s Needs!