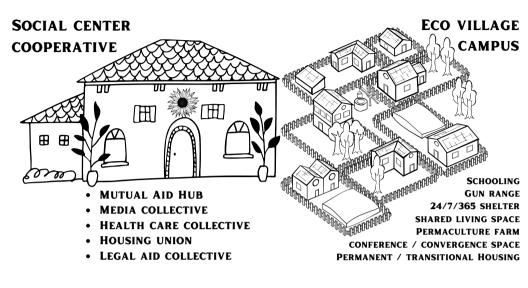
### OPERATION: HOME BASE



In doing our mutual aid work we have become painfully aware of specific needs both for the community, and for the growth of our own projects. Some have been obvious since the beginning, such as a community kitchen, and meeting space. Others have only revealed themselves after much community organizing such as medical clinics, and legal aid. Some are continuations of work we've been doing, like harm reduction and food delivery. Others are big and new ideas for our collective, such as an eco village and a shelter. After another winter losing people we love to the streets, and with a hostile political climate in town, the need is clear. We now endeavor to yet again solve our own problems. If we need safe spaces to exist, live, and thrive....we must build them. If we want stability for our community...we must obtain it ourselves. So we have spent many months debating, calculating, meeting, and developing this plan for a community home base that starts to meet our needs. We hope you join us in realizing this dream and pushing our radical love and collective care to new heights.

# COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION

# COMMUNITY LAND TRUST



So the plan is two fold, our land would be sectioned into a social center side with community resources, and the other would be a self governed eco village where residents would live and have immediate access to the shared resources of the community. The social center would serve as central hub for food prep and serving, mutual aid depot, legal and medical assistance, union hall, and many mixed use spaces for meetings, maker/art spaces, as well as rentable spaces. The eco village would be built by and for it's inhabitants using cheap natural building techniques in order to provide each person their own warm, safe, dignified living space. Transitional or permanent, this housing would serve as a stable base from which to build a community based on resilience, skill sharing, learning, and love.



### SOCIAL CENTER CO-OP



- 24/7 DINER/INTERNET CAFE
- GROCERY/KITCHEN
- BOOKSTORE
- TOOL/ZINE LIBRARY
- ART/MAKER SPACE
- BUSINESS INCUBATOR
- SKILL SHARES/MEETING SPACE
- MICRO LENDING
- COMMUNITY GARDEN



The social center side of our plan, along with most of what we do, centers around preparing and enjoying food together. Our communal kitchen will be busy all day every day making meals for the community. The cafe will be a spot to hang out and eat, jump on a free computer, or grab a book to read from the bookstore. Both the grocery and the kitchen will benefit from a community garden growing fresh produce. A small business/non profit incubator will help our community members take charge of their own futures by providing resources to get their ideas off the ground. Residents will benefit from access to a tool library for routine maintainence of the land and infrastructure, a maker space for building and creating new infrastructure, and a micro lending service will help individuals in paying for things the social center doesn't provide, as well as helping to fund small business start ups. The majority of the physical space will be set aside for workshops, community meetings, and renting to any upstart businesses that need their own space.

## **Mutual Aid Hub**



- Emergency prep
- Disaster relief
- Supply drives
- Fridge/pantry
- Meal/free store prep
- Distributed farming/seed bank
- Food not bombs/mobile meal

In the face of rising climate chaos, and political authoritarianism, mutual aid is our best bet for caring for each other in disaster scenarios. While most our community faces daily disasters in the form of city sweeps, police harassment, and the criminalization of poverty, we also must be prepared for future climate catastrophe. We have long needed adquate and accessible storage for our mutual aid supplies, in order to grow this project and maintain enough stock to see us through a potential disaster, we will require much more storage space for supplies. Some to be distributed throughout the community as needed, and some to store for those rainiest of days. With a proper mutual aid depot we could both furnish supplies for our continued mutual aid work, as well as ensure enough stock in the event of supply chain issues, or natural disaster. We hope to be able to leverage the stores of supplies to offer to the wider community and be able to play a critical role in keeping people safe when things go wrong and our government shits the bed.



## Media collective



- Podcast
- Investigative reporting
- Zine distro
- Merch
- Political Education
- Book club
- Local radical history

In order to tell the untold stories of our community, it's challenges and it's beauty, our social center will also house our media collective, sabot media. We will use these platforms to tell our stories, and to investigate the local political machinations that cast such a shadow over our lives. This reporting will be published, printed, and distributed by our zine distro, analyzed and connected to global struggles in our podcast, and a quartly newsletter will collect wider regional updates to maintain awareness of our rural struggles for an outside audience. Besides updating folx on our goings on, we will use these platforms for political education and local radical history projects. Through a careful examination of the past, and by delving into radical texts in our book club, we hope to inform future organizing and projects.









## HOUSING UNION



- HOUSING OPERATIONS
- TENANT ORGANIZING
- RENT STRIKES
- PAROLEE ASSISTANCE
- TRANSITIONAL HOUSING
- EMPLOYMENT/TRANSPORT ASSISTANCE

Another aspect of the social center is the union hall. With housing being one of, if not the most, pressing needs we face, we must have a organization that is focused on changing the conditions by which people obtain and keep housing. We don't want public housing anymore than we want rent vouchers. We want free and accessible housing for all, by us and for us. We want ownership over the direction our movement goes. A union can provide the structure needed to rally the unhoused and unstably housed among us to actions aimed at securing this future for ourselves. We do not simply want to be included in the housing market we want to abolish it and build a system that houses everyone in its place. So that no one should ever be homeless again.

ORGANIZE!!





## WE MUST OBTAIN HOUSING

WITH THE MONEY SPENT ON SHELTERS AND SERVICES, WE CAN HOUSE EVERY UNHOUSED PERSON IN THE CITY. THE CITY SHOULD CONVERT VACANT AND CITY-OWNED PROPERTIES INTO PERMANENT HOMES FOR THOSE WHO ARE UNHOUSED. WE DEMAND THAT THE CITY INVEST PANDEMIC RELIEF FUNDS IN LONG TERM HOUSING.

#### WE MUST OBTAIN HEALTHCARE

WE NEED PRIMARY CARE SO WE DON'T HAVE TO GO TO THE EMERGENCY ROOM EVERY SINGLE TIME WE NEED BASIC HEALTHCARE. PREVENTATIVE CARE SAVES LIVES AND MONEY. ALL UNHOUSED PEOPLE SHOULD HAVE ACCESS TO REGULAR PREVENTATIVE MEDICAL CARE.

#### WE MUST OBTAIN WATER

THE CITY CONTROLS THE WATER DEPARTMENT.
ESPECIALLY DURING THIS PANDEMIC, WE NEED WATER TO
STAY SANITARY. THE CITY SHOULD GUARANTEE SHOWERS,
BATHROOMS, AND HAND WASHING STATIONS FOR
UNHOUSED PEOPLE.

#### NOTHING ABOUT US WITHOUT US

THE CITY SEEMS TO TALK TO EVERYONE EXCEPT US ABOUT WHAT WE NEED. WE DESERVE A SEAT AT THE TABLE. WE NEED TO BE CONSULTED ABOUT THE POLICIES THAT WILL IMPACT OUR LIVES.

HOUSING NOW NOT DEATH ON THE STREETS!

HEALTHCARE NOT HARM REDUCTION!

WATER IS LIFE!

HOMELESS NOT HELPLESS!

#### THE CITY SHOULD LISTEN TO OUR LEADERSHIP

#### IF YOU AGREE THEN LET'S FORM A UNION

NO MORE DEALING WITH THE US ONE POLICE ENCOUNTER AFTER ANOTHER. WITH A HOMELESS UNION WE CAN FORCE THE CITY TO DEAL WITH US COLLECTIVELY. WE CAN ASSERT OUR RIGHTS, AND...

TAKE WHAT WE NEED!



### HEALTH CARE COLLECTIVE



- Harm reduction
- medical trainings
- Free clinics
- Rapid response/ intervention
- Drug/mental counseling

One of the largest areas of need we see everyday is health care. Our community faces many hurdles to accessing good quality health care, resulting in early and unnecessary deaths and sicknesses, easily prevented by modern health care. We have operated and will continue to operate our harm reduction services, but we also acknowledge that harm reduction is as much a solution to our needs as is a tourniquet on a gunshot wound. What we need is wholistic, free health care. We will bring professional medical workers to hold free clinics and provide needed medical trainings. We also hope to have vehicles ready to respond to calls rapidly in order to intervene in situations where otherwise a 911 call might not be made, or would put individuals at undue risk of state violence as a result.

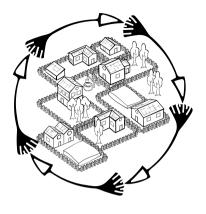
## LEGAL AID COLLECTIVE



- LEGAL ASSISTANCE
- TRANSFORMATIVE JUSTICE PROCESSES
- MEDIATION
- BAIL/LEGAL FUND &
- PRISONER SUPPORT/ LETTER WRITING
- COURT/JAIL SUPPORT

Without appropriate models for resolving disputes and achieving real justice we will always be reliant on the cruel and punitive methods of so called justice imposed by the state. In order to keep ourselves and community safe, we must develop our own models of mediation and conflict resolution based in the practices of transformative justice, where parties are brought together to reach a consensual definition of justice in each unique situation. Besides learning and practicing these transformative methods of justice, we will also need to provide traditional legal aid for interfacing with the State's criminal systems. We will bring in lawyers to hold clinics and trainings so that whatever challenges we face, we are prepared to meet them head on.

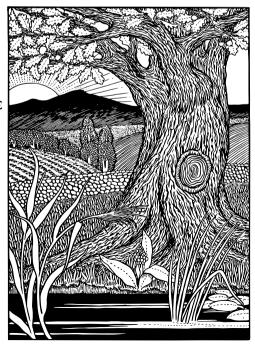
# ECO VILLAGE CAMPUS



- SHARED LIVING SPACE
- PERMANENT AND TRANSITIONAL HOUSING
- SCHOOLING
- PERMACULTURE FARM
- CONVERGENCE/
   CONFERENCE SPACE
- GUN RANGE

PERHAPS THE BIGGEST PROJECT IN OUR PLAN IS THE ECO VILLAGE CAMPUS. THIS PORTION OF OUR LAND WILL NOT BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS IT WILL SERVE TO HOUSE ANY RESIDENTS WHO WANT A SPOT TO LIVE AND BUILD. WE WILL SURROUND THOSE WANTING TO LIVE HERE WITH ALL THE ASSISTANCE THEY REQUIRE TO DESIGN, BUILD. AND FURNISH THEIR OWN HOMES.

BY LIVING ON SITE THEY WOULD HAVE IMMEDIATE ACCESS TO ANY AND ALL SERVICES PROVIDED, AS WELL AS FAR SAFER AND HEALTHIER LIVING CONDITIONS THAN ARE FOUND ON THE STREETS. BY CHOOSING TO RESIDE IN THE VILLAGE RESIDENTS WOULD AUTOMATICALLY BECOME **BOARD MEMBERS OF THE** COMMUNITY LAND TRUST WHICH WOULD HOLD THE LAND IN COMMON FOR THE RESIDENTS. BY BEING MADE UP SOLELY OF PEOPLE LIVING ON THE LAND, THIS TRUST WOULD ENSURE THAT INDIVIDUALS HAVE ACTUAL OWNERSHIP IN AND DIRECT CONTROL OVER THE OPERATIONS OF THEIR VILLAGE.



## UNSCHOOLING

THE ROLL WITH DOWN THE WORLD COME

We will also use this space to see how far we can push our educational goals, developing a campus for revolutionary course work and study. As well as hosting a convergence space for bringing in other groups to network and community build from across the globe. A full permaculture farm will supply the community with sustainable food right from our backyards. A gun range will provide a safe place for marginalized people to the learn defense and firearm skills vital to our survival. We can learn to forget the old 🗔 world, and build the new.

