

Educate

- Some of our Team have been attending the NLIHC (National Low Income Housing Coalition) Webinars, **Our Homes, Our Votes**. We are learning about the civil rights our guests have and what resources are available to help our guests register to vote.
- **What We Need to Know:**
 - How many people in Rochester live below 30% Area Median Income (AMI)?
 - How many housing units are available to people living below 30% AMI?
 - What housing options are there for people living below 30% AMI?
 - What are the barriers that are keeping our guests from housing?

*If any of our readers like to dig into this kind of data gathering, **please join our Team**. We meet on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at Third Presbyterian Church, 4 Meigs Street (RTS#9 or 10 stop nearby).*

Organize

- How will we respond to the recent Supreme Court ruling that allows municipalities to criminalize men and women found sleeping rough?

- How can we promote the idea that homelessness is not a crime, but the fundamental injustice is the lack of housing?



Agitate

- Attend a **Community Conversation on Tenant Protections** with the City-Wide Tenant Union of Rochester.
- Our Team attended a City Council Public Hearing and spoke about the need for 24/7 public bathrooms. Council member Mitch Gruber told us that the city is working on this for Parcel Five.
- *We need people who are willing to write or call on local political representatives in support of funding for low-income housing:*
 - o For NYS see Housing Justice for All support of a **Social Housing Development Authority**.
 - o For Congress, see **National Low Income Housing Coalition's** platform.

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