

Key Outcome:

**Mindful Democracy**  
Community decisions are based on mutually respectful, issue-based debate

Preconditions:

Advocacy Groups use truthful, inclusive and respectful messaging

Decreased influence of wealthy donors and corporations seeking oversized influence.

End of gridlock caused by polarizing two-party monopoly. Two party system is ensured by U.S. voting rules.

People become aware that media and politicians may be misleading or oversimplifying.

People seek to understand issue more deeply and understand opposing points of view.

Personal Action Steps:

**Promote Mindful Democracy** as a core tenant to groups I already support

Progress Alliance, Sightline Institute

**Democratize Money In Politics**  
Consider donations promoting Public Campaign Finance and Donor Disclosure

Common Cause, Seattle Prop 1

**End Two-Party Duopoly**  
Consider donations supporting policies such as Ranked Choice Voting that enable third parties and independent candidates to emerge.

Fairvote.org, Independentvoting.org, thecentristmovement.org,

**Hold Media Accountable**  
Consider donations to groups like **mediamatters.org**, **factcheck.org** and **fair.org** (Fair TV), which promote media

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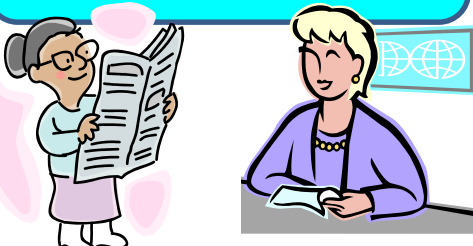
**Promote Respectful Dialog**  
Consider supporting inclusive discussion and debate.

Living Room Conversations, City Club, LWV

Politicians represent constituency and core values, not special interests



Media is objective and seeks to promote understanding of key issues and the big picture.



**Innovation Needed!**