

# 1990

## Early days

The first WIPsters share duties, learn as they go, and make decisions by consensus. Their first office is in the Labor Temple on Capitol Blvd. (Oct. 1990)



## Police accountability

Lack of accountability and brutality by Olympia Police top the list of most visited topic on WIP pages (Sept. 1995).



## Nuclear power

WIP challenges proposals for new plants and calls for cleanup of existing facilities (Sept. 1990)



## Gulf War

Opposition to the First Gulf War with original cover art (Feb. 1991)



## Globalism

WIP covers "The Battle of Seattle" and unravels the WTO ministerial conference for readers (Nov. 1999)



# 2000

## Palestine

WIP introduces the culture and politics of Palestine to WIP readers (2007)



## Iraq war

The invasion of Iraq ignites a firestorm of opposition in editorials, letters, protests and actions (Feb. 2003)



## Facism

Consistent messaging from WIP pages underscores zero tolerance for facism (May 1998)



## Racism

Cover story in first issue is interview with South African pastor on how racism is perpetuated (June 1990)



## Labor + Unions

Workers rights are front and center in WIP pages from the beginning and local unions lend early financial support to WIP (Jan. 1993).



## Port of Olympia

WIP's expose on the Port of Olympia's bid to renew military shipment contracts, combined with one-the-ground actions by protesters, led authorities to abandon the process.

## Climate

Coverage of climate science, US policy and local actions to influence change appear often (2017)



ACDC fuels many all-night layout sessions. (1989-2004)

## The carbon bombs that threaten our children's future



## Homelessness

Coverage from the '90s to the present chronicles how civic leaders have failed to address the crisis of homelessness (March 2007)



The first days of Camp Quixote

## Prisons

WIP reports on the plight of local victims of the prison-industrial complex and continues to expose ICE's human rights abuses (Feb. 1999)



# 2010

## Wall Street

Shining a light on corporate greed and how taxes are allocated without representation are consistent WIP themes.



## Immigrant rights

WIP continues to spotlight immigrant rights and illegal detention, supporting Olympia as a Sanctuary City (2019)



## Solidarity

Expanding participatory democracy across class, race and gender. and contributing to the cause of justice are WIPs core mission.



## Occupy Oly

WIP provides the only significant coverage of local occupiers participating in the national movement. (Jan. 2012)



## Affordable housing

WIP contributors remind readers Olympia's housing crisis cannot be solved by market capitalism (Nov. 2017)



## Your face here?

WIP's fourth decade will be written by those who show up to tell the stories of those working for justice in its many forms. See you next month.



# 2020