

BPW WORKSHOP

FIGHTING HOUSING INJUSTICE



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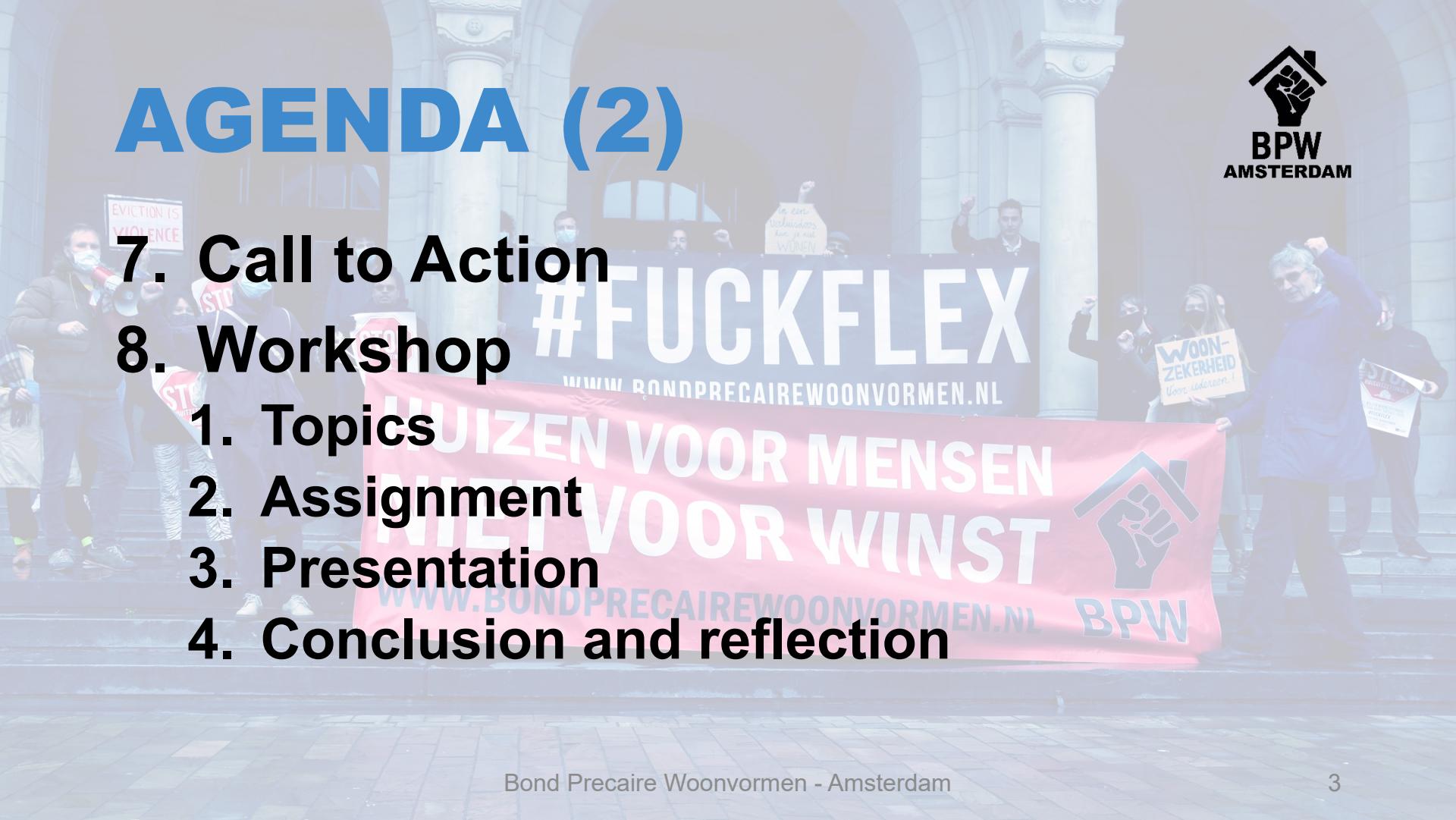
**RADICAL
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May 26th, 2024

AGENDA (1)

- 1. Introduction to BPW**
- 2. The Housing Crisis**
- 3. What We Do**
- 4. Our Approach**
- 5. Success Stories**
- 6. How We Assist**

AGENDA (2)

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7. Call to Action
 8. Workshop
 1. Topics
 2. Assignment
 3. Presentation
 4. Conclusion and reflection

INTODUCTION TO BPW



Union against Precarious Housing



Activists, volunteers



Right to Housing and the City - #FuckFlex



Fight against housing injustice: PRECAIREWOONVORMEN.NL



temporary/short-term contracts

inaffordable rents

evictions

public housing shortage

no self-determination



Local groups

e.g. BPW Amsterdam



Solidarity movement

Join..., get help..., help others... in precarious housing situations

THE HOUSING CRISIS

- ❖ Liberalization / Commodification
- ❖ Speculation / Real Estate investors
- ❖ Cuts on social / affordable housing
- ❖ 2008 Financial Crisis
- ❖ Bad long-term vision and coordination

WHAT WE DO

 Solidarity networks
 Publicity
 Action!



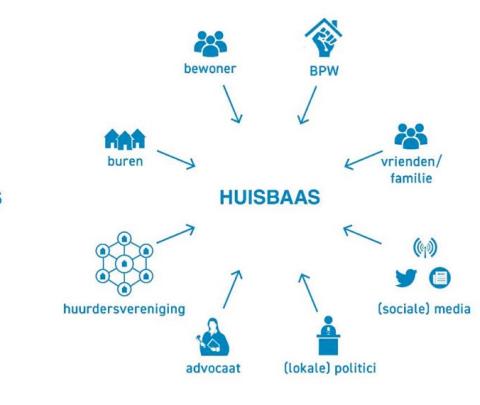
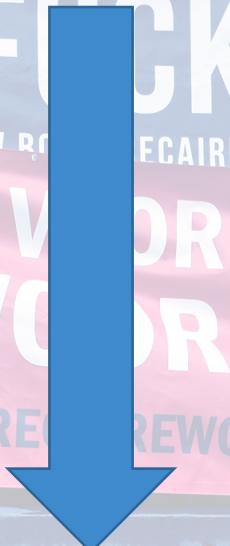
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OUR APPROACH

Organize against landlords step by step

1. Inform
2. Consider
3. Communicate
4. Organize
5. Publicize
6. Confront



SUCCES STORIES



ILLEGAL EVICTION STOPPED II
ILLEGAL EVICTION STOP

With the help of BPW East (a new local movement in Rotterdam (squatters arrived at 03:00 am to all opposite)

STOP EVICTIONS IN THE OLMENHOF



Residential care crea

Owner Woonzorg, actually a ho...
the commercial vacancy manager Plaza...
charging unreasonably rents, flex rental and

tenants will have to leave
former Olmenhof care
alternative



"Two months ago I became overwrought by the situation. My girlfriend who lives in the flat has had a burnout since March last year. No one realizes what it does to you when you work very hard and are constantly under pressure from imminent homelessness."

Bibi, temporary resident of the Klokkenhof

The residents of the Klokkenhof have been deprived of their right to housing security for years due to internal relocations. Every two years they were offered a new flexible contract at a different address in the building.

Earlier last year the residents were suddenly told that the building is being renovated and that internal moves are no longer possible. This would put about 100 temporary tenants on the street.

Also read the article



HOW WE ASSIST

1. Register online
2. Make an appointment with your regional/local BPW group
3. Explain your housing injustice situation
4. Follow the step by step plan

CALL TO ACTION



Become a member



Join a local group



Join our campaign Wij Weigeren De
Huurverhoging



We Refuse Rent Raise



Help BPW grow nationally



actions and campaigns, (social) media, ...



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WORKSHOP (1)

TOPICS

1. Are you or do you know someone facing housing injustice?
2. Is the BPW approach okay, or are there other ways to fight housing injustice?
3. How would you convince people to stand up for (their) housing justice?
4. What challenges do you expect to face?

WORKSHOP (2)

ASSIGNMENT

- 1. Split up in groups (4 to 6 people)**
- 2. Each group**
 - 1. Pick a housing injustice example (real or made-up)**
 - 2. Work out a plan to fight that housing injustice**
 - 3. Roles: note taker, presenter, researcher, ...**

WORKSHOP (3)

PRESENTATION AND REFLECTION

3. Each group

- present your results

4. Conclusion and reflection

- evaluation and feedback
- constructive criticism
- positive reinforcement



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