

Here's how it works: Fascist groups promote racist, sexist, and nationalist violence. Individual bigots carry it out—attacking people in the streets, shooting people in churches, stabbing people on trains. The authorities use these attacks as an excuse to increase control, promising to protect a fearful population. But the greatest threat is not individual fascists: it is the state itself. It is the state that deports and imprisons millions, that suppresses dissent. When a more reactionary government takes power, it will use all the resources and legitimacy that the previous one obtained to carry out even more violence. Only grassroots resistance can stop the rise of fascism.

