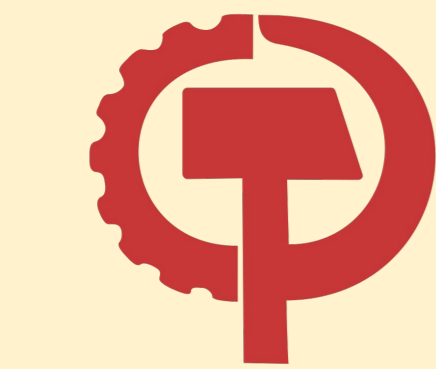




Marxist-Leninist



Name: Communist Party USA
Ideology: Marxist-Leninist
Date & Origin: 1919, split from Socialist Party
Headquarters: New York City
Newspaper: *People's World*
Publishing House: International Publishers
International: International Meeting of Communist and Workers Parties (IMCWP)
Features:
 + Fewer police informants now because most of them got old and retired
 + A surprising number of right-wing boomers think you secretly control the government rather than the other way around
 + The normie communist org because it's what people join after searching "Communist Party" on Google. Also in the same conference and has relations with actually governing communist parties in China, Cuba and Vietnam



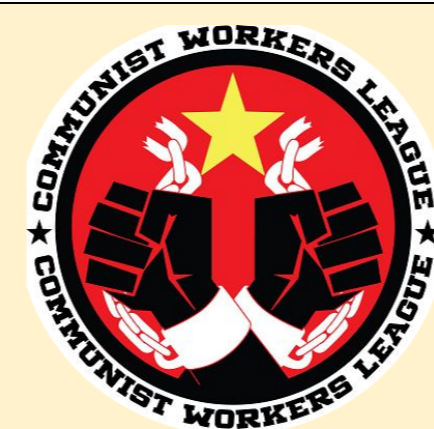
Name: Party for Socialism and Liberation
Ideology: Marxist-Leninist (Marxist)
Date & Origin: 2004, split from WWP
Headquarters: San Francisco
Newspaper: *Liberation News*
Publishing House: PSL Publications
Features:
 + Marxism emerged from Trotskyism by advocating for permanent revolution, but diverged from it by defending existing socialist states: best of both worlds or jibber jabber?
 + Drama and infighting with other PSL weirdos will help sharpen your line-struggle skills
 + Driven, youthful cadre, especially in anti-imperialist organizing. Seems to be a go-hard-or-go-home style org so not for everyone



Name: Workers World Party
Ideology: Marxist-Leninist (Marxist)
Date & Origin: 1959, split from SWP
Headquarters: New York City
Newspaper: *Workers World*
Features:
 + PSL split with WWP for arcane reasons that are probably irrelevant, so if you're into Marxism, join whichever is the most active in your area (hint: it's probably PSL)
 + Lost 14 branches in 2018 due to another round of splits, apparently over a drift in the WWP toward "Sakaist" identity politics
 + Tore down a Confederate statue in North Carolina right after events in Charlottesville and didn't even ask for permission



Name: Socialist Unity Party
Ideology: Marxist-Leninist (Marxist?)
Date & Origin: 2019
Headquarters: Los Angeles / Baltimore
Newspaper: *Struggle-La Lucha*
Features:
 + One guy involved in this was the Workers World Party's presidential candidate in 2004 so this might be an offshoot of the WWP
 + Pretty active online newspaper that's worth checking out. Don't know much more
 + Eh, worth a try!



Name: Communist Workers League
Ideology: Marxist-Leninist (Marxist?)
Date & Origin: 2018, split from WWP
Headquarters: Detroit
Newspaper: *Fighting Words*
Features:
 + Made up of WWP branches including the Detroit branch that split in 2018
 + The newfound CWL didn't like the WWP's identity politics, wanted more democratic centralism
 + Eh, worth a try!



Name: American Party of Labor
Ideology: Marxist-Leninist (Hoxhaist)
Date & Origin: 2008
Newspaper: *The Red Phoenix*
International: International Conference of Marxist-Leninist Parties and Organizations (ICMLPO)
Features:
 + Cool, sci-fi logo makes them look like the Cardassians from *Star Trek: Deep Space Nine*
 + Will finally give you an excuse to build that bunker you've always wanted in your backyard
 + If you join, you'll be one of their first members



Name: Party of Communists USA
Ideology: Marxist-Leninist
Date & Origin: 2016, split from CPUSA
Headquarters:
Newspaper: *The Worker*
Publishing House: New Outlook Publishers
International:
Features:
 + Seems to mostly exist as Discord-based cargo cult / Soviet LARP
 + Lenin would've probably liked their general party line and then had them shot anyways because of their name
 + Their practical theoretical work seems to consist of movie reviews on their website and Reddit posts explaining why they're better than the CPUSA. Cool logo but I have my doubts



Name: Students and Youth for a New America
Ideology: Marxist-Leninist (?)
Date & Origin: 2016
International: World Federation of Democratic Youth (aspiring)
Features:
 + Small anti-imperialist youth group, think it's one of (ex-WWP) Caleb Maupin's projects
 + Logo ain't bad but talks a lot of babble about American patriotism and "American Rebirth" which they capitalize for some reason
 + Probably a reaction to Trump's election and the growth of the alt-right hence the tailist approach to rebrand communism into a Browderite "communism is 21st century Americanism" type deal. Eh, maybe it'll work this time



Name: U.S. Marxist-Leninist Organization
Ideology: Marxist-Leninist
Date & Origin: 1972 (?)
Headquarters: Chicago
Newspaper: *Voice of Revolution*
Features:
 + Obscure, published a regular newspaper until 2020. Defunct?
 + May or may not be related to the Marxist-Leninist Organization of the USA, founded in 1972 as an anti-revisionist org upholding Stalin but rejecting the Cultural Revolution as a petit-bourgeois capitalist restoration
 + There are a few pics of their flags and logo from recent years and older white women as members -- the website memorializes one who passed away recently :-)



Maoist



Name: Freedom Road Socialist Organization
Ideology: Marxist-Leninist-Maoist
Date & Origin: 1985, came out of the New Communist Movement
Headquarters: Minneapolis
Newspaper: *Fight Back!*
International:
Features:
 + Biggest Maoist-oriented group in the country, probably. Distinguishes itself from the CPUSA on the nature of the national question and independence for oppressed nations. Likes Xi Jinping
 + Terrorized by the FBI in 2010 in a series of trumped-up hail-mary raids looking for evidence of material support to FARC and the PFLP, found none
 + They might be a bit cagey because of a history of government harassment but they've been reemerging from their hidey hole and have big theory brains



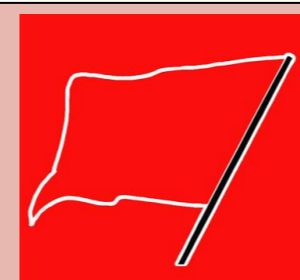
Name: Liberation Road
Ideology: Marxist-Leninist-Maoist
Date & Origin: 1999, split from FRSO
Headquarters: Minneapolis
Features:
 + Split from FRSO in 1999, also called themselves FRSO until 2019, when they changed their name. Like Highlander, there can be only one
 + Might not like Xi Jinping
 + The beef with FRSO seems to have been over the former's support for 20th century socialist states and latter's embrace of identity politics. "It has mainly been younger folks from the anarchist tradition, small ultra-left groups and the cores of NGO-type groups who have signed on." -- 'Our History,' Liberation Road website



Name: Revolutionary Communist Party / a.k.a. "Revcoms"
Ideology: Marxist-Leninist-Maoist / New Communism
Date & Origin: 1975, split from SDS after the PLP took it over
Headquarters: Chicago
Newspaper: *Revolution*
Publishing House: Revolution Books
Features:
 + Totally bananas, Scientology-like cult obsessed with the RCP's founder and leader, Bob Avakian, also known as BA. Hence their call to "Get into BA"
 + Operates several bookstores which are actually pretty good but they will hard-sell you on getting into BA
 + Regularly burns American flags in public, then sues local governments on First Amendment grounds and wins five-figure settlements after their cadres get arrested -- BASED



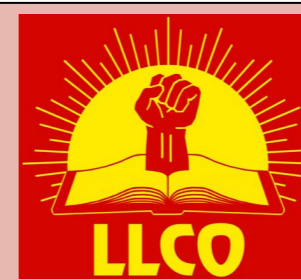
Name: New Afrikan Black Panther Party
Ideology: Marxist-Leninist-Maoist
Date & Origin: 2005
Headquarters: Wabash Valley Correctional Facility, Indiana
Newspaper: rashidmod.com?
Features:
 + Founded by Kevin "Rashid" Johnson and others. Johnson was locked up in 1990 and has been a radical prison organizer for decades
 + Concept is to be a modern continuation of the Black Panthers' prison chapter
 + The NABPP places emphasis on freedom for black people but includes all oppressed people and workers, and Rashid has organized white inmates into going on strike which if you know anything about the racialized, segregated American prisons that is a hell of a feat



Name: "Red Guards"
Ideology: Marxist-Leninist-Maoist (Gonzalo Thought)
Date & Origin: 2015
Headquarters: A Burger King franchise in Austin
Newspaper: *Tribune of the People*
Features:
 + It's just one of those days when you don't wanna wake up, everything is fucked, everybody sucks!!
 + Groupings of young radicals (mostly in Austin) with mass org names ("Serve the People" / "Popular Women's Movement") that promotes this org. Don't know anything about that guy but a big fight breaks out whenever I hear someone mention his name. I think it might have something to do with a book called "Settlers"
 + Read Settlers



Name: Maoist Communist Party -- Organizing Committee
Ideology: Marxist-Leninist-Maoist
Date & Origin: 2017
Newspaper: *People's Voice*
Features:
 + The other wing of the aggro-Maoist tendency in the U.S.A and doesn't apparently get along with the Red Guards. They'll have to settle this one themselves. I'm minding my own business
 + YouTube superstar BlackRedGuard promotes this org. Don't know anything about that guy but a big fight breaks out whenever I hear someone mention his name. I think it might have something to do with a book called "Settlers"
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Name: Leading Light Communist Organization
Ideology: Marxist-Leninist-Maoist (Third-Worldist)
Date & Origin: 2010
Newspaper: *New Power*
Features:
 + Jason Unruhe was a member. If you like to consume third-worldist internet videos and you use terms like United \$nakkke\$ of Amerikkka then this is the org for you
 + They say they're a clandestine org but that might just mean running a website, or they're afraid of being blown out the sky like Lin Biao
 + Kind of a meme org. They seem to believe everyone (?) in the first world is a parasitic labor aristocrat which might be true (not going there...) yet they are also based in the first world



Name: Progressive Labor Party
Ideology: Marxist-Leninist-Maoist
Date & Origin: 1962, split from CPUSA
Headquarters: New York City
Newspaper: *Challenge*
Features:
 + Heavy-duty American Maoist outfit in the 1960s which took over the SDS and then destroyed it. The FBI noted back then the PLP members would shun drug use, "dress neatly and wear short hair." Still kickin'
 + Appears to be just a newspaper but some photos show contingents of black youth in New York marching under the PLP banner recently
 + Has the Grover Furr stamp of approval... and that guy has never been wrong about anything!



Name: Revolutionary Organization of Labor / Ray O' Light Group
Ideology: Marxist-Leninist-Maoist
Date & Origin: 1961, split from CPUSA
Headquarters: Underground
Newspaper: *ROL, USA Digital Newsletter*
International: International Coordination of Revolutionary Parties and Organizations (ICOR)
Features:
 + Highly secretive boomers who split from CPUSA, called themselves Youth for Stalin for awhile, and then developed an interesting "three-line struggle" take on Maoism. Still updates a website
 + Believes that Appalachians are an oppressed people who deserve their own nation... interesting
 + You have to join all of the other parties before you can unlock Ray O' Light, the Easter Egg party and secret boss, and only then will you master the dialectic



Name: League of Revolutionaries for a New America
Ideology: Marxist-Leninist-Maoist / automation focus
Date & Origin: 1993, emerged from Communist Labor Party which split from CPUSA in the 1950s
Headquarters: Chicago
Newspaper: *Rally, Comrades!*
Features:
 + Small group that emerged out of an internal Maoist opposition faction within the CPUSA back in the 1950s
 + Comes across as a bit cranky. Name sounds like a think tank
 + The party newspaper is still being updated but seems to have suffered a blow with the 2015 death of its founder, Nelson Peery