



Communities in Resistance

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Director: Rachel Levee - 9 min.

British Columbia has one of the highest costs of living and also has the lowest minimum wage in the country - \$8 an hour. To cover basic costs, a family with two working adults requires \$16.74 an hour, which is the living wage. This film follows the stories of organizers and members of Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now as they build a campaign to pass a living wage resolution in New Westminister, BC.

New Energy: Now or Never

Director: Eric MacIntosh - 10 min.

Energy generation is a five trillion-dollar industry. Dominated by vested interests in dirty technology, outdated practices continue to threaten the sustainability of life itself. Embracing a world free from the shackles of conventional systems, the New Energy Movement introduces breakthrough solutions for a brighter future.

Little Mountain: A Fight for Social Housing

Writer, Director: Christopher Bevacqua - 14 min.

The oldest public housing site in Vancouver has been sold to private developers who plan to evict all of the tenants and demolish the site. The Steenhuisen family has lived in Little Mountain for nearly 50 years and is not leaving without a fight.

Surviving in the Cracks

Director: Greg Masuda - 15 min.

In March 2004, the BC government closed three Vancouver safe houses designed to protect vulnerable children from the sex trade. From this injustice a movement was born with a mandate to keep people informed about the safe houses. Filmed in late 2008, this documentary follows the final weeks of rehearsals of a theatre project written from the real-life experiences of troubled youth.

Windows

Director: Andres Salas - 10 min.

What is home? Where is yours? What does it mean to travel and look for home while far away from it? What does it mean to be homeless? This film is a trip through one day in the life of a Brazilian, a Colombian, two Canadians, and one French-Canadian that answers these questions.

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