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WE CAN MAKE CHANGE



1) WHY ADVOCATE

Faith calls us not only to work for charity, but to do justice. Our neighbors needs us to stand with them on key issues in Erie

2) WHY FAITH GROUPS

Nonpartisan faith groups are poised to advocate to local government with a different voice.



3) WHO IS INVOLVED

People of faith are concerned citizens. We talk to people we know, organizations we know, and we hold a meeting.

4) HOW DO WE PICK ISSUES

We invite experts and grassroots leaders to talk to us about the pressing issues and glean consensus on top 3 priorities.



5) HOW DO WE CRAFT POLICY

Designated leaders of Faithful Advocacy develop policy ideas or advocacy plans for the entire team and present them back to the team.

6) WHERE DO WE GET BUY IN

After the team agrees, the crafted strategy and policies are sent back to the grassroots partners for review and finalizing.



7) WHAT DO WE DO

Follow through on the strategy and invite others to join us when groups are needed.

8) WHEN DO WE DO IT

We work with City Council, the mayor's office, and other elected officials as needed to raise our voices and achieve change, one issues at a time.

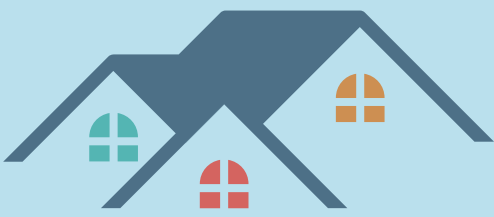




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STRATEGY

For 2024, ESC is focused housing, particularly:
a tenant bill of rights, HUD funding, &
a housing plan for the city

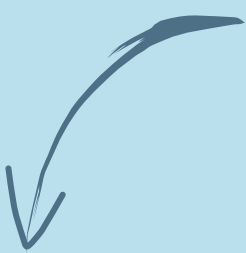


We consulted with area agencies, nonprofits, renters, and other stakeholders to ensure these needs align with what we have heard from the community and invited their input and ideas

ESC members are working in subcommittees to do the research and produce policy and advocacy plans



After we have proposed policies, we will reach back out to stakeholders for comments and revisions and hold community meetings for input



Then we take it to the relevant government offices and begin the work of advocating, inviting more and more people to join us

