

# How to Organize Hampshire

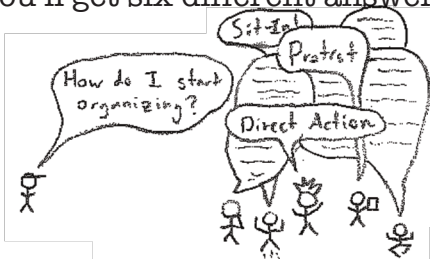


## #1 DIY

AKA: how to get started

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If you ask five different organizers how to start organizing you'll get six different answers



If that's overwhelming, don't worry! There's lots of arm-chair organizers who'd love to tell you all about why you're overwhelmed.



The reality is **no one else knows what to do**. This is why you get so many answers to the question "How do I organize?" everyone is just trying to figure out the answer to that question with you.\*



Ok, but what about the organizers who actually did stuff?

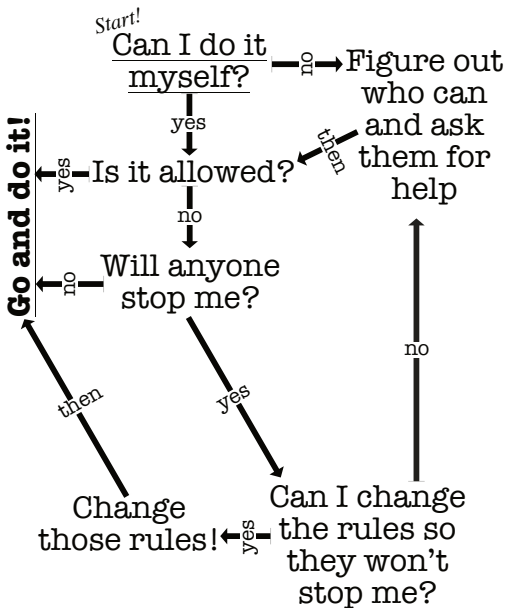
Every successful organizer looked at the world saw a problem, saw that no one was doing anything about it and then said "fuck it, **I'll do it myself.**"\*\*

That's neat and all but what does that actually look like?



# The Hooligan's Flowchart:

What doing it yourself looks like



Let's take this flowchart out  
For a spin using the purely  
hypothetical scenario of  
building porches in Enfield:

1. Can I do it myself?

Yes! But I will need to  
get tools from someone  
else. I am no carpenter :(

2. Is it allowed?

Probably not...

3. Will anyone stop me?

Maybe... but surely  
not if I install the  
porches at midnight!

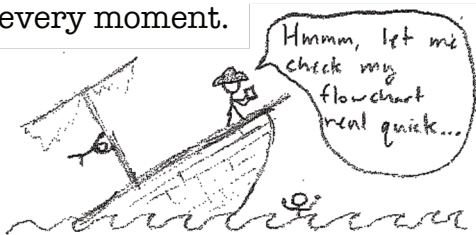


Before you read any further take a moment to **think about something you want to see at Hampshire**. Then think about how you would do it. Your idea might've been big, like sitting in a tree until a bulldozer goes away, or small, like setting up a hammock. Regardless, now is the time to act!!!



You could get some friends involved. Just **go do something!** It's good for ya :)

If you went ahead with whatever action you thought of, you likely didn't refer to the flowchart at every moment.



This is by design. The flowchart is a mnemonic for direct action, and **it will ideally become instinctual**. If it's not your instinct right now, that's ok! Instincts are collections of habits that you are capable of choosing changing and training. Just act as if the flowchart is your instinct as much as you can and eventually it will become your instinct. This is the essence of fake it 'til you make it.

**“YOU HAVE FREE WILL!!!!”**

-A wonderful human standing on a table

\*The only organizers who are not trying to answer the question “how do I organize?” are the organizers who are actively organizing. Ironically, this means that by asking the question “how do I organize?” you ensure that you only get answers from people who don’t know how to organize. In other words, to learn how to organize you just have to do it, or find someone who’s doing it and start helping them.

\* \* From Joshua A.C. Newman F92

**Welcome to organizing!!!**

Good luck 😊

I love you ❤️