

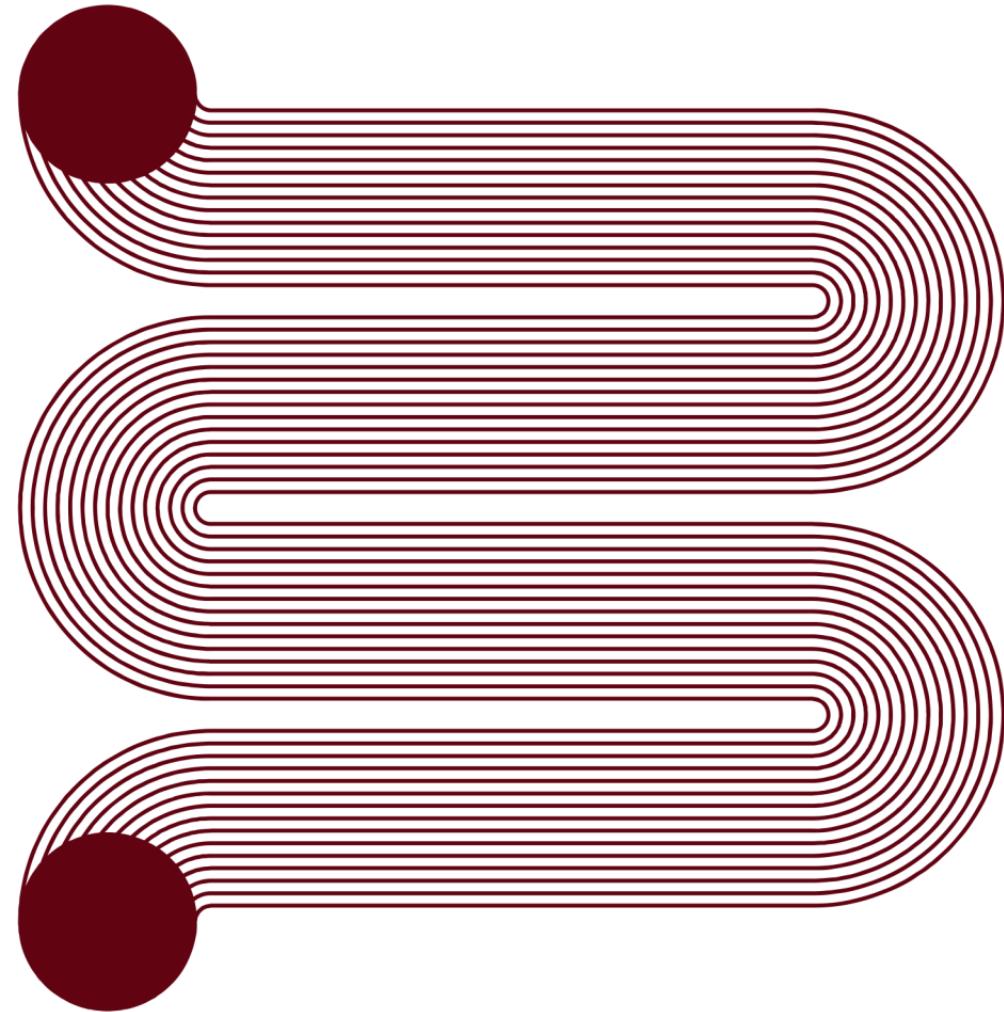


**Decolonization
is a practice**



**NOT...
a hashtag**

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**LAND
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is not a metaphor

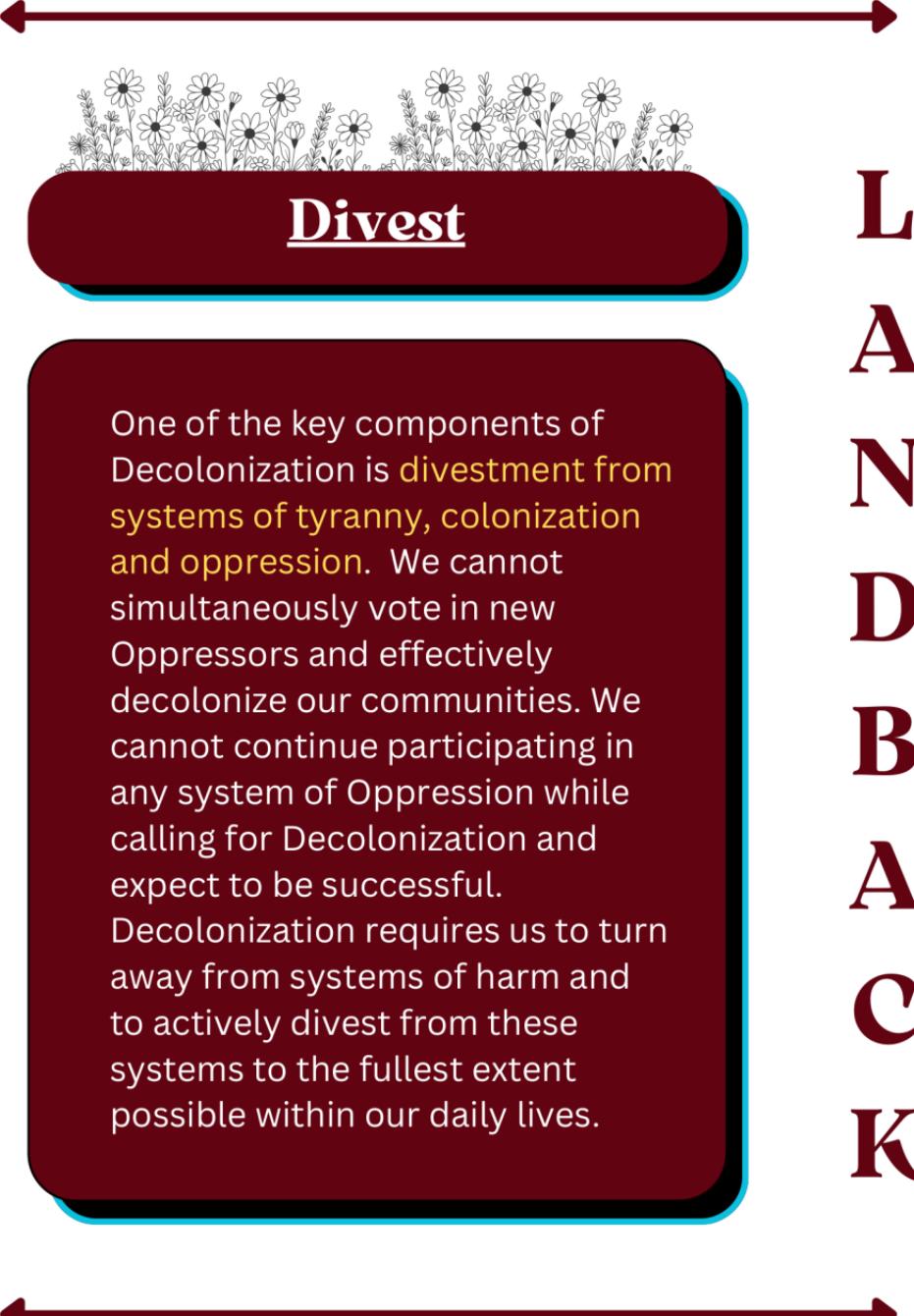
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Decolonization is more than a trend or hashtag, it is an action we perform in our daily lives.

Yes, It is okay to hashtag decolonization but we must ask ourselves... are we following that up with the way we live our lives in our own communities?

Learn how you can participate in decolonization





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Divest

One of the key components of Decolonization is divestment from systems of tyranny, colonization and oppression. We cannot simultaneously vote in new Oppressors and effectively decolonize our communities. We cannot continue participating in any system of Oppression while calling for Decolonization and expect to be successful. Decolonization requires us to turn away from systems of harm and to actively divest from these systems to the fullest extent possible within our daily lives.

You Can:



- Divest from voting
- Divest from banking
- Divest from colonial academia
- Divest from mass produced animal agriculture
- Divest from fast fashion
- Divest from predominantly colonial spaces
- Divest from participation in policing
- Divest from colonial respectability practices
- Divest from gender norms
- Divest from colonial beauty standards
- Divest from authoritarianism
- Divest from celebrity culture
- Divest from the American Dream altogether

Change your Lifestyle

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Invest

While divestment is key to decolonization , so is investing in alternatives to our current paradigm. Building systems of community care that can replace colonial systems allows more people to divest while maintaining their livelihood. Investment in community care models also affords us greater power, it aids us in achieving decolonization without turning to the same violent tactics as the Oppressor (at least predominatly so).



You Can:

- Invest in community based medicine and medical clinics
- Invest in community food systems
- Invest in community based education and daycare
- Invest in Indigenous leadership models & Indigenous leaders
- Invest in every aspect of culture
- Invest in community housing
- Invest in elder care
- Invest in alternatives to policing and in community defense groups
- Invest in mutual aid
- Invest in shared ownership of the means of production & unionizing
- Invest in caring for the most marginalized in your own community

Change your daily routine to invest in community care



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Native Sovereignty

Even if we divest from colonial institutions altogether and invest in systems of care, much like the “friendly commune”, all we are doing is investing in **neo-colonialism** unless we also **return power** to Indigenous people. The goal of decolonization is to restore sovereignty to the original Inhabitants of a landbase. If we do not keep that front and center we are not participating in decolonization.



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You Can:



- Put yourself in Native spaces where Indigenous culture and leadership are predominant.
- Invite Native people into your spaces as often as possible.
- Actively seek out Indigenous communities in your area and volunteer for their causes.
- Fight for Indigenous leadership models.
- Fight for Indigenous culture, languages, and values to be the norm on our own homelands.
- Learn the Indigenous names of the hills, rivers, flowers and trees in your community.
- Fight for the protection of Indigenous land and Indigenous land stewardship.

Be present with Indigenous people



Your Own Indigeneity

As we focus on collective decolonization we can also focus on personal liberation. In this context that does not look like pursuing your own individual liberty but rather it means finding your own Indigenous roots. Every one of us has Indigenous Ancestors somewhere down our family line. Find yours. Learn their cultural values. Learn their cultural norms. Invest in decolonizing your mind, your values, your home by investing in your Ancestral roots.

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You Can:

- Do some research to find out where your family comes from. DNA testing is not the most accurate but Ancestry work and Oral tradition from family is reliable.
- Learn what Indigenous groups were original to that area.
- Read about and follow social media accounts from the closest living relatives to that Indigenous group.
- Attend cultural events of that group, humbly. Make friends.
- Learn what the traditional foods, spiritual practices, agricultural practices, medicines, family values, crafts, etiquette, history and etc. are of that people.
- Incorporate the above into your daily life but don't speak for the group until you know you've been accepted into it.

Root yourself in your own Indigeneity.



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What do you do if you cannot access your family history? Or.. if your family history doesn't give you firm results?

If you can't find documentation of tribal people you belong to, you can make a pretty good guess based on geography.

However, if this isn't useful or you have no access to family history then you can do the next best thing:

1. **Research Pan-Indigenous culture** for your people. Every general cultural group has practices that are shared and not tribally specific. You can still be involved.
2. **Get involved with the tribal group of the land you live on**, with consent. This is very common in Indigenous society. Generally if you are humble you will be accepted.

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Decolonization Is:

Decolonization is a life affirming path forward. And it requires a radical change in our lifestyles. It asks us to move through the world conscious of our daily decisions and who they affect. It requires us to give up colonial comforts in order to secure a brighter and more equitable future. Landback is not, and was never, about displacement but **is always about care**...for all living things.

Decolonization is:

- A return of land stewardship to Indigenous peoples and a change in our relationship to the land.
- It is Indigenous culture and leadership as the norm on our own homelands.
- An economy built on Indigenous values.
- A return to collectivism.

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Decolonization Is Not:

Decolonization is not like colonization. It is not a way to harm non-Natives or people not connected with their own Indigeneity. It is a return of what was stolen and a change in our own lifestyles to accommodate that return. **It's what is right.**

Decolonization is not:

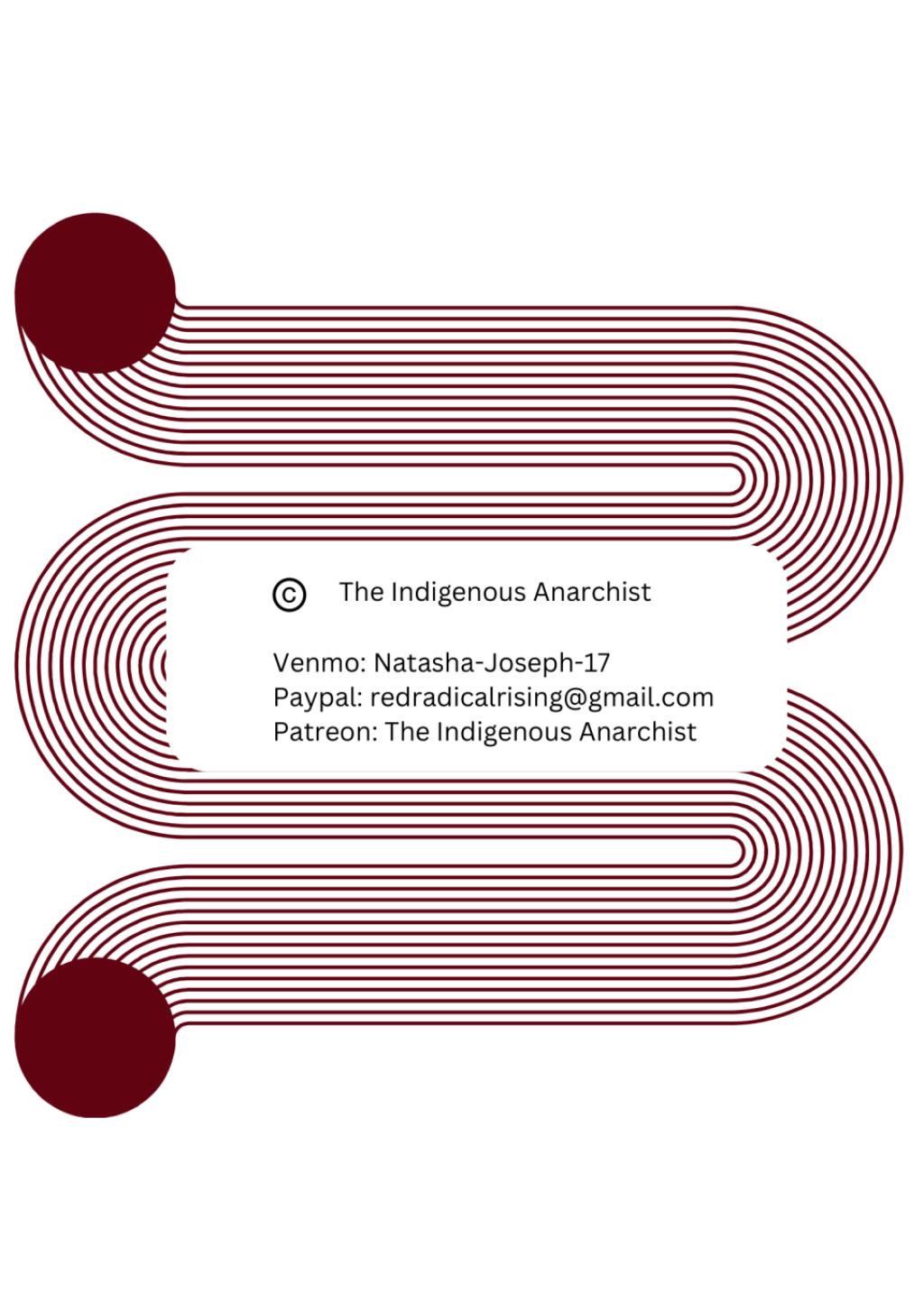
- Tyranny
- Mass Deportation
- A Native President
- Non-Natives on Reservations
- Cruel
- Capitalist
- Devastating
- Displacement
- Poverty
- Anti-technology
- Harm

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Our Communities...**

We Decolonize The World



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