

Milwaukee Democratic Socialists of America: Ready for statewide governor's race as Madison DSA joins in endorsing Francesca Hong

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The Milwaukee Democratic Socialists of America (DSA) are working to support a statewide race for governor after both that chapter and Madison DSA voted to endorse DSA member Francesca Hong in her bid for that office.

“Working people have seen that the system doesn’t work for them,” Milwaukee DSA Co-Chair Autumn Pickett said. “Time and again, the establishment has failed us so as not to upset their billionaire donors. As ICE threatens to terrorize our communities and kidnap our neighbors, Francesca Hong stands committed to fight back as the only candidate calling for their abolition.”

Hong’s campaign comes at the heels of successful DSA campaigns across the country, from New York City’s Mayor Zohran Mamdani to Milwaukee District 3’s Alder Alex Brower, and [U.S. polling has shown an increased interest in socialism](#), a clear reflection of the crumbling material conditions of the American working class amid ongoing crises at the hands of capitalism and its benefactors.

“Francesca Hong has fought for Wisconsinites’ right to healthcare, paid family leave for all, a vibrant union movement, and public power owned by the people and not for the profit of billionaires—the same billionaires who are now forcing us to pay for their destructive data centers,” Pickett said. “She, thankfully, is not alone in this fight. As a movement of everyday people, DSA members are tired, fed up, and ready to win the better world we know is possible. Mayor Zohran Mamdani proved there is a better alternative to fascism than the same old tired establishment

policies that brought Donald Trump into power to begin with. Socialism beats fascism, and now it's our turn to prove it. Elect Francesca Hong for Governor.”

Those interested in joining DSA's efforts to elect Hong can [fill out a DSA campaign interest form](#) to get plugged into the chapter's work. More information on Hong's candidacy is available on [her campaign website](#).

Milwaukee DSA is Milwaukee's largest socialist organization fighting against imperialism for a democratic economy, a just society, and a sustainable environment. Join today at dsausa.org/join.