

This guide is designed to help you host a high-impact **Occupy 2.0 Watch Party** for the Global Conference on **May 14, 2026**.

I. Purpose of the Watch Party

The goal is to move from personal diagnosis to collective action. Your party will serve as a hub for performing a **collective autopsy on the economy** and synchronizing our demands for a New Social Contract.

II. Host Checklist: Step-by-Step

1. Before the Event (Preparation)

- **Register Your Hub:** Add your location (public or private) to the central registry at Occupy-2.com/watch-party.
- **Invite Your Network:** Use the **Occupy 2.0 Social Media Toolkit** to reach out to friends, family, and colleagues.
- **The Launch Simulation:** Encourage all guests to complete the **Launch Simulation** at Occupy-2.com before they arrive to anchor the discussion.
- **Prepare the Evidence:** Have the **Economic Ladder** and **Class Chasm** graphics ready to display on a screen or as printouts.

2. During the Event (9 AM – 4 PM)

- **Welcome & Orientation:** Briefly explain the Class Chasm—how the bottom 80% are trapped by debt while we finance rockets for the rich.
- **The Collective Autopsy:** Use the conference stream to lead a discussion on structural exclusion.
 - *Prompt:* Which rung of the ladder are you currently on, and what 'debt anchor' is keeping you there?
- **Synchronize Demands:** During the scheduled Action Waves, have everyone use the **Digital Lobbying Toolkit** to tag local representatives simultaneously for maximum impact.

3. After the Event (Follow-Up)

- **Sign the Pledge:** Ensure everyone has signed the **Citizen's Pledge** in the central registry.
 - **Photo Op:** Take a group photo with the #Occupy2 hashtag and post it to social media to show the scale of the movement.
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III. Discussion Guide: Key Narrative Points

Use these core concepts from the book *Beyond the Racial Wealth Gap* to frame your conversations:

- **Not a Gap, a Chasm:** Explain that individual effort alone cannot bridge the structural exclusion that keeps **63% of Black graduates** on the Survival rung.
 - **Timing is Everything:** Share the fact that **\$500–\$1,000** at age 18 or 25 increases wealth odds by over **50%**.
 - **Fishers, Not Fish:** Advocate for the **Five Pillars** (CDAs, Baby Bonds, Guaranteed Income, Free College, and Financial Literacy) as the tools to produce financially capable fishers.
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