

The solution to poverty
is to abolish it directly
by now a widely
discussed measure: the
Guaranteed Income.

Martin Luther King Jr.



Henry Griffin | AP

1933 - 1939 NEW DEAL

Black people were legally
excluded from the New Deal's
wealth-building apparatuses

1935 Social Security Act's
left 65% of Black residents
without unemployment

The Johnson
administration's proposed
welfare programs are
referred to as
the "War on Poverty"

1960S WAR ON POVERTY

1968 POOR PEOPLE'S CAMPAIGN

MLK Jr organized the
historic march on
Washington to demand
economic justice

Derogatory term popularized
by Reagan referencing women
who supposedly collect
fraudulent or excessive
welfare payments

1974 "WELFARE QUEEN"

2023

The ratio of white family
wealth to Black family
wealth is higher today than
at the start of the century

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COMPTON PLEDGE

A community's vision for freedom

The case for guaranteed income nationally and in Compton is undeniable. One in five of Compton's residents, of whom 30% are Black and 68% are Latinx, live in poverty—double the nationwide average. Our Pledge is delivering >\$10 million to 800 Compton families over two years.



800
beneficiaries

70%
racial wealth
gap reduction



800 households representing the city as a whole, including % of undocumented and formerly incarcerated residents.



A new, custom payments platform that enables multiple payment options, live customer service, and reporting.



Co-designed with a Community Advisory Council and the Compton Community Development Corporation.



Compton is hard hit by generational poverty and the trauma of police brutality. I Pledge Compton because I believe our people are worth fighting for.
Aja Brown | Former Compton Mayor



The National Council joins a growing movement led by formerly incarcerated women creating models of what different looks like when we invest in our communities.
- Andrea James | President

