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Sale of Public School /Building to Right Step, Inc.

When I was in Wisconsin over the summer, I regularly read the *Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel*. I am dismayed over the sale of public buildings to voucher schools which will directly compete for public money with our public schools. Here in Michigan, we are seeing the direct results of the destruction of public schools and the rise of Wall Street hedge fund charter (voucher) schools. Several years ago, I read about Betsy DeVos (MI - Amway millionaire family) who was in Wisconsin advocating for charter (voucher) schools.

Just look at the pictures of Detroit Public Schools. This will be Milwaukee Public Schools in a few years. Then send in emergency managers, privatize everything. We already have several cities in Michigan which have NO PUBLIC SCHOOL system. These cities have been privatized, just like New Orleans. You should know what the heck is going on here in Michigan. Look at these pictures of Detroit Public Schools now.

<http://usuncut.com/class-war/detroit-teachers-want-you-to-see-these-disturbing-photos/>

http://blogs.edweek.org/edweek/charterschoice/2014/04/muskegon_heights_charter_district_continues_financial_struggles.html?qs=Michigan

http://www.mlive.com/news/muskegon/index.ssf/2014/04/mosaica_out_as_manager_of_musk.html

<http://michiganradio.org/post/muskegon-heights-ends-contract-charter-school-company#stream/0>

<http://www.governing.com/blogs/view/gov-michigan-schools-outsource-public-education-under-emergency-managers.html>

<http://www.politico.com/tipsheets/morning-education/2014/09/possible-charter-takeover-sparks-protest-senate-help-takes-up-setra-undermining-pell-child-poverty-improves-but-1-in-5-still-poor-212543>

This Right Step, Inc. is nothing more than a prison pipeline. Supposedly, it's a military style school to bring troubled children around. In truth, it looks to me like these CHILDREN, (yes, they are just CHILDREN), are being indoctrinated into the discipline they will

experience in prison. Why would this City Council (of which about half the members are minorities) approve such a school to operate?

Why would I think it's a prison pipeline? The school assessment tests had nearly 100 % FAILURE. These children are NOT getting an education; they are simply being trained/manipulated by the Prison Industrial Complex for future profits. I would also look into the board of directors of Right Step, Inc. and find out, who are these people? Is Wall Street funding this school?

DO NOT approve the zoning for this school. And by the way, you would be best served to ignore this Wisconsin Institute for Law and Liberty, which my research shows is a Koch brothers organization. Isn't Wisconsin tired of the take over of your state by Walker and his Koch brothers' buddies?

http://www.sourcewatch.org/index.php?title=Wisconsin_Institute_for_Law_%26_Liberty

http://www.sourcewatch.org/index.php/Lynde_and_Harry_Bradley_Foundation
(Now the Wis Inst for Law and Liberty,; started as John Birch Society, Fred Koch)



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