

“Socialism” parodies classic board game Monopoly, satirizes Hillary Clinton

Pokes fun at liberals, conservatives during 2016 presidential campaign

PHILA., PA – What would America look like under Socialism? Startup Company, Diogenes Games says they don't know, but developed a [satirical version of Monopoly](#) to find out. They call it SOCIALISM: The Game.

The small startup is proud to announce the commencement of a Kickstarter campaign to promote their parody tabletop game “SOCIALISM”.

A hilarious sendup of the classic board game Monopoly, Socialism: The Game has a radically different goal than the original – the object of the game is to achieve total fairness and equality through the renting and selling of property under a modern, progressive, and populist public policy. The game is over when everyone has \$300 or less, and uses caricatures of Hillary Clinton and Bernie Sanders to replace the game's original mascot, Rich Uncle Pennybags.

“We discovered that our game was a fun way to hypothesize what might happen if trends in public policy, trends that have recently entered mainstream political debate, were extrapolated to their logical conclusions in the capitalistic world of Hasbro's real estate trading game Monopoly.” said John Elliott, CEO and founder of Diogenes Games.

Elliott says the results “aren't pretty,” but thinks that they just might change the way people think about campaigns, elections, and politics in general. One of the ways the game accomplishes this is through an “enlightened” rulebook that contains sarcastic-yet-realistic changes:

- There's no more “banker” – all dealings are with the Federal Directorate of Redistributive Services
- You don't “go to jail,” you “go to rehab”
- You don't have title cards, you are granted a public “concession” to manage a property
- No more hotels; public “housing towers” are the highest and best use
- Chance and Community Chest? Nope. “Fat Chance” and “Communism Chest”

The “Fat Chance” and “Communism Chest” cards also reflect the satirical nature of the game, with gems like “Advance to income tax” and “Bernout! Power grid fails on a cloudy windless day. Flick the lights off, pay the player on your right \$100 for a black market generator.”

After months of development, design, and play testing, the game is currently in production and is expected to ship in June, if not sooner.

SOCIALISM: The Game on Kickstarter: <https://www.kickstarter.com/projects/333308942/socialism-the-game>

SOCIALISM: The Game Website: <https://www.SocialismGame.com>

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