MARCHING ON

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It's March and we're "marching on" - get it? Okay, apologies for the terrible pun. But seriously, there is quite a bit going on here these days.

First, the program updates. Work continues on the interactive GIS map we're creating that will enable anyone, anywhere to manipulate the tax codes in a variety of U.S. cities and towns to see what the real world, on-the-ground impacts would be of implementing Land Value Tax. As you can imagine, building a custom interface of this type is no small feat, but we're plugging along and hope to have something you can begin to play with in the summer.

Our Center for Property Tax Reform (www.centerforpropertytaxreform.org) has a number of conferences and events upcoming, the next of which will be the Urban Affairs Association annual meeting in Washington, D.C. from April 2nd through the 4th. If you're in the neighborhood, stop by the CPTR booth and Josh Vincent will chat you up about all things Land Value Tax (a good time, to be sure!).

We've also launched what will undoubtedly be a multi-year effort to catalog the Foundation's wealth of historical materials and make them available in a publicly-accessible online database.

Heading this effort is the newest member of the RSF team, Josie Naron. Josie - whose official start date is May 4th - comes to us with many qualifications (besides just her amazing name...ahem) including a Master's Degree in archival science from NYU, a deep knowledge of 20th century American history, and prior nonprofit experience. I'm personally very excited to get this project off the ground as I see it as core to our mission of promoting the ideas of Henry George.

And finally, the news that hits closest to home: RSF is set to leave New York City





for the first time in its nearly 100 year history. While the big apple has been a wonderful home base for decades, it's time to say goodbye to the big city. Of course, we wanted to be sure to land in an intellectual hub, and by that criterion, you can't really pick a better spot than Princeton, NJ.

It will take us some time to settle in to our new home, of course, but once we're situated we plan to open a reading room to the public, and I hope you'll consider stopping by sometime and perusing all of the wonderful titles in the RSF library.

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