“Democratic socialism” is a term that is often derided in America. Just hearing the word “socialism” brings images of the former Soviet Union under Joseph Stalin, or of North Korea under Kim Jong-un. These harsh images, however, are only two examples of what socialism can be. The word socialism is defined as a social system in which the means of producing and distributing goods are collectively owned. The whole community exercises political power in this system. As long as the government employing socialism listens to the will of the people and institutes programs that are beneficial, it can, and does, work.

Section Two provides a historical background and Section Three describes the Swedish Socialist Model. Section Four gives examples of American socialism. Section Five then questions whether America is a true democracy, and Section Six describes restoring
American democracy. Advocacy for moving towards the Swedish socialist model is presented in Section Seven; and Section Eight concludes by calling for the start of a political publicization of socialist intervention in American politics.