

# RISE Advocacy Chapter with RESULTS

## Oct. Webinar: Update on Global Vaccine Equity and Global nutrition

Oct. 19 & 20, 2021

# New Mission & Vision

## **Together Women Rise's Mission**

**Together Women Rise cultivates the collective power of community to achieve global gender equality.**

## **OUR VISION**

**Together Women Rise envisions a world where every person has the same opportunities to thrive regardless of their gender or where they live.**

# RESULTS Anti-Oppression Values

The RESULTS logo consists of the word "results" in a white, lowercase, sans-serif font, positioned inside a red speech bubble shape that points towards the bottom-left.

*RESULTS is a movement of passionate, committed everyday people. Together we use our voices to influence political decisions that will bring an end to poverty. Poverty cannot end as long as oppression exists.*

*We commit to opposing all forms of oppression, including racism, classism, colonialism, white saviorism, sexism, homophobia, transphobia, ableism, xenophobia, and religious discrimination.*

*At RESULTS we pledge to create space for all voices, including those of us who are currently experiencing poverty. We will address oppressive behavior in our interactions, families, communities, work, and world. Our strength is rooted in our diversity of experiences, not in our assumptions.*

*With unearned privilege comes the responsibility to act so the burden to educate and change doesn't fall solely on those experiencing oppression. When we miss the mark on our values, we will acknowledge our mistake, seek forgiveness, learn, and work together as a community to pursue equity.*

*There are no saviors — only partners, advocates, and allies. We agree to help make the RESULTS movement a respectful, inclusive space.*

Find all our anti-oppression resources at: <https://results.org/volunteers/anti-oppression/>

# Welcome & Celebrations

- Welcome to anyone new. Our goal is to create the political will to shape policies and funding that will benefit women and girls globally. In the process we want to support advocates to have breakthroughs in exercising their political power.
- Have any of you been in touch with your MOC's and received responses?



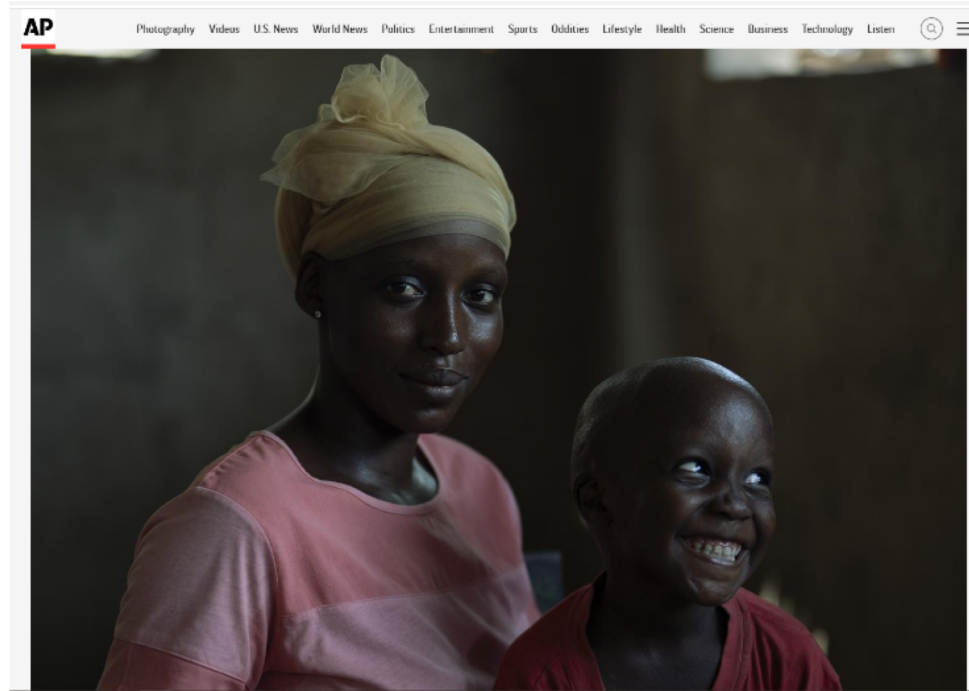
# Update on Campaign for Global Vaccine Access

- 77% in high income; 0.5% in low-income countries
- 3 million have died since introduction of the vaccine
- COVAX goal was 2 billion doses---only 319 million delivered
- Chinese companies have actually met their goals, but their vaccines are less effective

# Update on Campaign for Global Vaccine Access

- Others missed targets for 2020 by 96% and by 2021 by 50%
- Less than 5% of Africans have been vaccinated fully
- The Biden administration holds the power to push manufacturers, but every day we lose, another 10,000 people die globally.
- [Warren, Merkley, and Jayapal Lead Colleagues in Urging the Biden Administration to Review Moderna-HHS Contract and Expand Global COVID-19 Vaccine Access](#)

# Update on campaign for Global Vaccine Access



AP News: ["Women left behind in COVID-19 Vaccination"](#)

# Advocacy Actions

Why is it necessary for people like us to lift our voices, pressuring our members of Congress to take action on global vaccine access?

- They typically won't do anything we don't make it impossible for them not to do.
- Give them cover: "My constituents are contacting me"
- Show them this is not a partisan issue.
- Show them how COVID-19 is affecting real people.

## Consequences of inaction:

- Sickness and death
- Long-term healthcare problems
- Depressed economies
- Resources diverted from other health matters
- Millions of girls never returning to school
- Huge risk of additional variants emerging that could render vaccines impotent

# Advocacy Action

- Congress is taking action (at our urging)
- Health leaders are taking action
- We need to keep the pressure up

# Advocacy Action



- **Level 1 (Easiest Action):** Take our online action asking your Senators to speak to the leadership of the **HELP Committee (Casey, Burr)**
- **Level 2 (Relationship Building Action):** Call and write your Senators' offices and speak to the Health aide.
- **Level 3 (Media Action):** Write a letter to the editor!

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## Action Alerts

Text RESULTS to 50457 to sign up for text action alerts.

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### Urge Members of Congress to Sign On to Letter Preserving Housing Investments in Final Recovery Package

Access to affordable housing is critical for the well-being of families, yet millions struggle to keep a roof over their heads. When COVID-19 hit, millions of Americans were already one crisis away from eviction and homelessness. But federal housing assistance programs are...

### Congress must include housing, CTC, vaccines in recovery bill!

Congress is making decisions in the coming days on some of the most consequential poverty-fighting measures in memory as they consider a major recovery package. At this critical moment, your members of Congress need to hear from as many constituents as possible, pushing for...

### Ask your senators to lead on global COVID-19 vaccine access

Effective vaccines can end this pandemic, but they're not being produced fast enough to reach everyone who needs them, and there has been little leadership around increasing manufacturing capacity. For example, across the continent of Africa, less than 4 percent of the...





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Andrew Fuentes: [andrew\\_fuentes@feinstein.senate.gov](mailto:andrew_fuentes@feinstein.senate.gov)

Dear Andrew,

My name is [REDACTED] I am a constituent of Senator Feinstein's in Santa Cruz. I am reaching out with concerns about our response to the global pandemic.

Access to COVID-19 vaccines has allowed our community to reopen and is reducing the severity of COVID-19. But this reality is not universal.

Vaccination is our pathway out of this pandemic, but there are not enough vaccines being produced quickly enough so that everyone has access. The unchecked spread of COVID-19 is devastating low-income countries and will generate additional dangerous variants, which is bad for all of us. Countries with low vaccination rates could act as variant incubators and increase the risk that more dangerous variants will come.

According to a recent poll of likely voters, most Americans want the U.S. to step up. When asked if the U.S. should help other countries struggling with COVID-19, if we should distribute vaccines globally, and if the U.S. lead, most Americans, across parties, support all these measures.

Will Senator Feinstein speak to Senate Majority Leader Schumer and leadership of the Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pension (HELP) Committee and urge them to include at least \$2 billion specifically to expand vaccine production capacity in the recovery package? Please let me know when I can follow up with you on Senator Feinstein's response.

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# Congrats on your LTEs!

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## The United States should address the need for vaccines worldwide: Letter to the editor

BARBARA CLAWSON

<https://www.thetimesnews.com/story/opinion/letters/2021/09/15/global-plan-provide-covid-19-vaccines-poorer-countries/8265478002/>

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## Letter to the editor: Don't let COVID get the last laugh

By WILLIE DICKERSON Sep 3, 2021



Attorney Nile Kinney's humorous piece ("If COVID could talk," Aug. 29) about COVID's "thank you" to us should actually give us pause to ponder our situation. By creating new variants, COVID has us in a spike and recover cycle that will repeat over and over until vaccinations reach every corner of the world.

Currently, billions of people in our world have no access, and too many Americans, don't choose the access they have. So let's take personal responsibility to our fellow Americans and get vaccinated. We can help ensure global access by asking President Biden (202-456-1111) to be the leader in the battle against the pandemic globally. This means more than giving surplus vaccine, it means sharing the technology to create enough vaccine so there will be enough for all. Otherwise, COVID will get the last laugh.

— Willie Dickerson

### Act on vaccine equity

For most Arkansans, receiving the covid-19 vaccination is a simple process. You walk into your local grocery store or health center and leave with your first vaccination in less than 30 minutes without ever having to worry about affordability or accessibility. This has largely contributed to our increasing vaccination rates, which are now around 45 percent.

However, as scientific experts have indicated, in the fight against covid-19, nobody is safe unless everybody is safe. Many low-income countries are imposing new lockdowns to stop the third wave of covid-19 infections

Letters To The Editor  
The Seattle Times

## COVID vaccine: Global effort to distribute vaccines

Sep. 9, 2021 at 3:38 pm | Updated Sep. 9, 2021 at 3:38 pm

By [Letters editor](#)

The Seattle Times

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## Op-Ed: The U.S plans to double global COVID vaccine donations. We should do even more.

Brendan Oliver Bow

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

**Pandemic must be a global battle**

By Willie Dickerson, Srulovick, Wash.  
Sept. 14, 2021 | 2 a.m.

ited to run across the Aug. 29 letter, "Vaccine efforts must 1," which called on the president and Congress to lead the r global vaccine access.

own't happen, we will be doomed to these continual new that reach our shores and repeat the spikes of infections and America has the power to lead the way to global vaccine and it will be our voices that create the political will to make it.

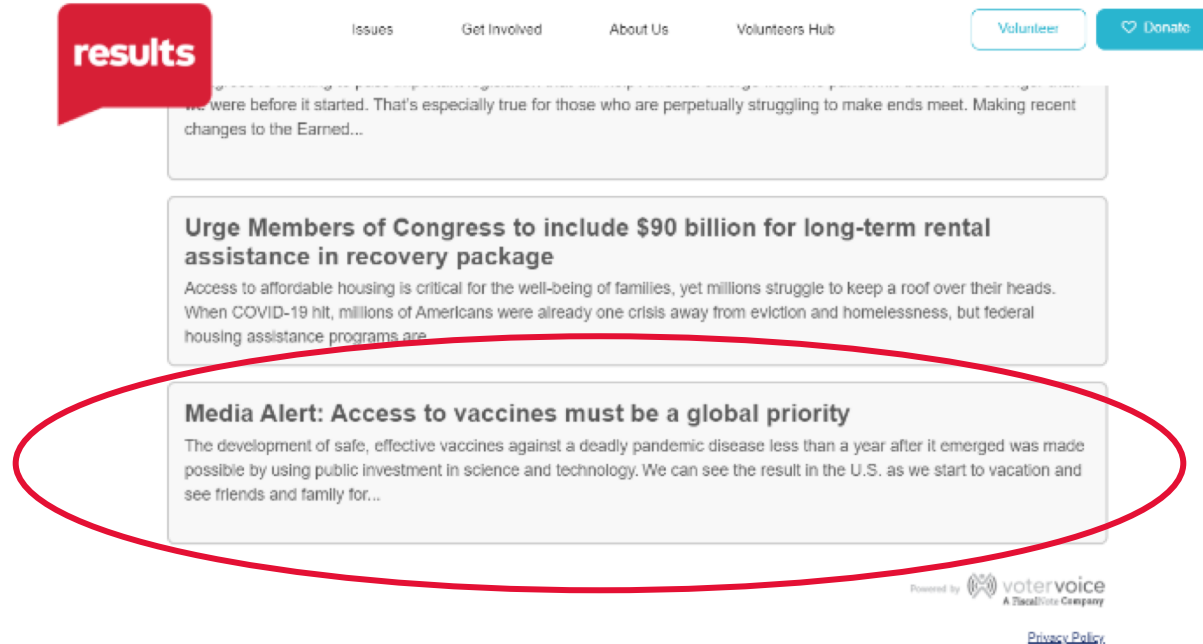
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**Urge Members of Congress to include \$90 billion for long-term rental assistance in recovery package**

Access to affordable housing is critical for the well-being of families, yet millions struggle to keep a roof over their heads. When COVID-19 hit, millions of Americans were already one crisis away from eviction and homelessness, but federal housing assistance programs are

**Media Alert: Access to vaccines must be a global priority**

The development of safe, effective vaccines against a deadly pandemic disease less than a year after it emerged was made possible by using public investment in science and technology. We can see the result in the U.S. as we start to vacation and see friends and family for...

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# Let's Take Action Together

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# **E**ngaging hook to lead your LTE

- *Vaccinated and afraid*
- *COVID short-sightedness*
- *Why Rs should care about the reconciliation bill*
  - *Senator Jim Risch - "We need to enact stronger prevention and preparedness measure **now** if we want to get ahead of the next crisis..."*



# Problem

*Vaccination is our pathway out of this pandemic, but there are not enough vaccines being produced quickly enough so that everyone has access. The unchecked spread of COVID-19 is devastating low-income countries and will generate additional dangerous variants, which is bad for all of us.*

# **I** Inform about the solution

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# Call to action

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# Global Nutrition Campaign

# Grantee Spotlight



## Gardens for Health International

- Featured 2014, Sustained 2019-2021, total \$118,867
- GHI pursues a simple concept: that food itself does not equal good nutrition. GHI works to end chronic malnutrition in Rwanda by empowering families to grow and eat nutritious food. By using extensive nutrition education, excellent monitoring mechanisms, home visits, and assistance in growing nutritious food, GHI prevents chronic malnutrition in pregnant women and children before it occurs.

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## UN development goal of zero hunger 'tragically distant', global index shows

Campaigners fear climate breakdown, Covid and violent conflict are threatening any progress made in food security in recent years



▲ An Ethiopian child queues for food at the Um Rakoba camp, on the Sudan-Ethiopia border in Al Qadarif state, Sudan. Photograph: Mohamed Nureidin Abdallah/Reuters

Global targets to eradicate hunger by 2030 will be missed as a "toxic cocktail" of the climate crisis, conflict and the Covid-19 pandemic reverses progress, new projections have revealed.

The Guardian: [“UN development goal of zero hunger ‘tragically distant’, global index shows”](#)



**1,000 Days** [Nourish the Future](#)

- [Global Malnutrition Prevention and Treatment Act of 2021](#) - introduced on 10/8/2021: “To advance targeted, high-impact, and evidence-based interventions for the prevention and treatment of global malnutrition, to improve the coordination of such programs, and for other purposes.”
- Senator Coons: “COVID-19 has further underscored the need for continued U.S. leadership in addressing access to nutritious food around the world.”
- Senator Wicker: “Malnutrition is one of the world’s greatest burdens on public health. It affects millions of people per year, especially pregnant women and children under five.”



## ***The Global Malnutrition Prevention and Treatment Act:***

- Authorizes the USAID administrator to scale up the prevention and treatment of global malnutrition and coordinate with relevant public and private partners on these efforts;
- Directs the USAID administrator to select priority countries that would receive prioritized nutrition assistance;
- Establishes clear goals for increasing coverage of high-impact, evidence-based interventions in priority countries;

## ***The Global Malnutrition Prevention and Treatment Act:***

- Establishes the Nutrition Leadership Council to coordinate USAID's efforts on preventing and treating malnutrition, with representatives from relevant inter- and intra-agency offices;
- Directs USAID to develop and submit an implementation plan to prevent and treat global malnutrition; and
- Requires USAID to submit an annual report to Congress on the progress made towards preventing and treating global malnutrition.

- House Companion Bill (7/26/2021) -  
[McCaul, Meeks, Kim, Houlihan Introduce the Global Malnutrition Prevention and Treatment Act of 2021](#)
  - Will authorize USAID to advance targeted interventions to prevent and treat malnutrition around the world,
  - Ensure a continued focus on multi-sectoral nutrition programs, and
  - Require robust monitoring of these interventions to ensure effective use of taxpayer dollars.

# Questions?

Next Together Women Rise Advocacy with  
RESULTS webinars:

- November 16 at 7 pm ET &  
November 17 at 9 pm ET

# Announcements

- [Survey](#)  
We want your feedback on how to improve our advocacy support and 2022 Webinar Schedule
- Invite a friend who wants to take action, they do not have to be Rise chapter members!