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Our Values & Resources

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.

Read our full anti-oppression values statement here at results.org/values.

Check out the 2023 Spring Anti-Oppression Workshop Schedule for training opportunities.

Find these resources and more at results.org/volunteers/anti-oppression:

• Resource Guides from our Diversity & Inclusion trainings, including:
  • Interrupting Microaggressions
  • Creating Space for Critical Conversations
  • Information on how RESULTS responds to oppressive incidents
Background

• Congress is on recess!
• Remember: working on economic justice
• Need the CTC to be fair
• Possible tax package in the horizon
• CTC work = greater impact on tax code
Guest Speaker

Sophie Collyer
Research Director
Center on Poverty and Social Policy at Columbia University
WHAT WE KNOW ABOUT THE
Child Tax Credit

RESULTS National Webinar
August 5, 2023

Sophie Collyer
The 2021 Child Tax Credit Expansion and Child Poverty

Expansions to Child Tax Credit Contributed to 46% Decline in Child Poverty Since 2020

September 13, 2022
Written by: Kalee Burns, Liana Fox and Danielle Wilson
Poverty rates for 2022 will be released this coming September, and we’ll likely see a reversal of this downward trend with child poverty increasing given the expiration of the Child Tax Credit expansion.

We’ve already seen evidence of this from CPSP’s monthly poverty series.

The 2021 Child Tax Credit Expansion and Child Poverty

Link to brief: https://www.povertycenter.columbia.edu/publication/monthly-poverty-january-2022
Link to data: https://www.povertycenter.columbia.edu/forecasting-monthly-poverty-data
Why aren’t families receiving expanded CTC payments anymore?

• The American Rescue Plan expansion to the CTC was temporary (and we’ll discuss the specifics of that temporary expansion in a bit).

• The CTC on the books today actually follows the parameters outlined in the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017.

• Under this structure:
  • Families need at least $2,500 in earnings to qualify at all for the credit
  • It then phases in with earnings so you need to earn a certain amount in order to qualify for the full credit
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Note: We’ll soon be updating this to reflect the 2022 tax code and will share!
As a result of the current CTC structure, many children are left behind.

Pre-pandemic, roughly 1 in 3 children in the U.S. were ineligible for the full CTC because their family income was not high enough to qualify.

Groups with an even higher share of children left behind included:
1) Black Children (53%)
2) Latino Children (50%)
3) Children with single parents (70%, 42%)
4) Children in families with young children (40%)
5) Children in rural areas (43%)
6) Children in larger families (not shown)


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The American Rescue Plan:
(1) expanded eligibility,
(2) increased payment amounts, and
(3) allowed for monthly delivery of payments.

As discussed, child poverty fell to a historic low in 2021 as a result of these expansions, and much of this reduction stemmed from ensuring those left behind under current and pre-ARP law, had access to the expanded CTC.

What else happened when families received the expanded CTC payments in 2021?

Link to roundup: https://www.povertycenter.columbia.edu/publication/2022/child-tax-credit/research-roundup-one-year-on
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<td>Reached over 61 million children, but outreach needed to newly-eligible children in low income families</td>
<td>Buffered family incomes amidst continuing pandemic &amp; uncertain economy</td>
<td>Significantly reduced child poverty (by approx. 30%) during the six months it was in place</td>
<td>Families spent it on basic household needs – most common item: food</td>
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<td>Reduced food insecurity, particularly among families with lower incomes</td>
<td>Reduced financial stress and material hardship.</td>
<td>No evidence of reductions in parental work</td>
<td>Children of color stand to benefit the most</td>
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The initial Child Tax Credit payments reduced food insufficiency by 25%.

Food insufficiency here is defined as sometimes or often not having enough food to eat in the house in the previous seven days.

Link to paper: https://www.aeaweb.org/articles?id=10.1257/pandp.20231088
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These substantial reductions in food insufficiency were concentrated among households with less than $35,000 in annual income.

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Takeaways

- The 2021 expansion to the Child Tax Credit led to a historic decline in child poverty, but we’ll likely see a reversal of this trend in September when Census releases the 2022 poverty rates.

- **Why?** The temporary expansion is no longer in effect, and the CTC that families were eligible for in 2022 was tied to earnings, meaning children in the lowest income families were ineligible for the full credit. That is, it could not reach the families who would benefit from it the most.

- **What happened when families currently ineligible received the full credit and the credit value increased?**:
  - Families used payments to meet their basic needs
  - Historic reductions in poverty
  - A sharp and immediate decline in food insecurity
  - Among many other improvements to wellbeing
Thank you

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Twitter: @cpspppoverty
CTC Request

Ask your members of Congress to:

Will you urge your colleagues on the House Ways and Means Committee or Senate Finance Committee to expand the full benefit of the Child Tax Credit (CTC) to as many families as possible, prioritizing those with low incomes?

Lobby Meeting 101
Basics of in district lobbying
Grassroots Share: Liz Brown!
Best Practices for In District Lobbying

1. Focus on building relationships
2. Invite your community to attend
3. Be persistent
4. Find your MOC at a community event
Q&A: Now is the time to ask questions!
Fall Friends and Family fundraising campaign
Visit www.results.org/donate/fundraise
to access our fundraising guide and create your online fundraising page
Grassroots Share: Nancy Gardiner

A powerhouse mother-daughter duo of support for RESULTS

results.org/blog/a-powerhouse-mother-daughter-duo-of-support-for-results
Fall Friends and Family fundraising campaign

Visit www.results.org/donate/fundraise to access RESULTS' fundraising guide and create your online fundraising page

Questions to consider:

• Is your group (or individual volunteers) able to hold an online fundraiser this fall?
• What is your goal, e.g., number of donations, amount raised?
• Could you create a match or other incentive to inspire giving?
• For how long would you like to hold your fundraiser?

Please reach out to the Development team at development@results.org for support!
August Town Hall: All Are Welcome!

Thursday, August 10 at 8:30pm ET

Bring a friend and join us at tinyurl.com/resultstownhall

Questions? Email grboard@results.org

Get to know this year’s Grassroots Board Members!

Learn about the RESULTS Board of Directors and how we can be a resource to you!

Meet and mingle with other volunteers!

Lynne Patalano
Aaron Carrillo
Jennn M. Koo
Allison Gallaher
Thank you for joining us!

Who is joining you in the room today?

In the poll, please respond with the number of people in the room with you (including yourself).
Lobby Prep Office Hours

Tuesdays in August, 8:00-9:00 pm ET

To help you have powerful lobby meetings in August, join our Lobby Prep Office Hours to get coaching on congressional requests, insights into your members of Congress, etc. This is an easy way to make sure you are ready for your August lobby meetings.

Join at: https://results.zoom.us/j/98582131855 or dial (301) 715-8592, meeting ID: 985 8213 1855. No registration required and join any time during the hour.

If you prefer more personalized coaching, please contact RESULTS staff to schedule a lobby prep call with your group (grassroots@results.org).
Join training on having meaningful conversations

Motivational Interviewing 101
Join this special edition workshop to help you have an effective dialogue with your members of Congress. By utilizing a few tips and tricks, you can begin to transcend the adversarial mindset and use values-based advocacy to make the case for change.

Wednesday, August 9, 8:00 pm ET
Register at: https://tinyurl.com/MI101August
Diversity and Inclusion 101

Learn about implicit bias and microaggressions and gain an understanding of systemic racism and oppression.

Friday, August 25, 12:00 pm ET (90 minutes)
Registration: https://tinyurl.com/DandIAug
Join the next
RESULTS National Webinar
Saturday, September 9 at 1:00 pm ET
(a week later than normal due to Labor Day)
Join us for a special
October National Webinar

Who deserves to be poor? Work requirements as a tool of oppression
Saturday, October 14, 12:00-3:00 pm ET

Featured panel speakers, moderated by Michael Santos,
• Peggy Bailey, Center for Budget and Policy Priorities
• Aaron Carrillo, RESULTS Grassroots Board
• Elisa Minoff, Center for the Study of Social Policy
Partner Organization Webinars

Global Allies Program: Partners Ending Poverty with Returned Peace Corps Volunteers
Thursday, August 10, 8:30 pm ET
Register at https://tinyurl.com/GAPSummer23

Together Women Rise partnership webinar
Tuesday, August 15, 8:30 pm ET
Join at https://tinyurl.com/TWRPP
Free Agents Webinars

U.S. Poverty Free Agents
Tuesday, August 22, 1:00 pm ET and 8:00 pm ET (your choice)
Contact Jos Linn at jlinn@results.org for information.

Global Poverty Free Agents
Monday, August 28, 7:00 pm ET
Contact Lisa Marchal at lmarchal@results.org for information.
Other Support Calls

Event Planning and Outreach Office Hours
Thursdays in August, 2:00 pm ET
Join via Zoom at https://results.zoom.us/j/98524229370 or call (312) 626-6799, Meeting ID: 985 2422 9370. No registration required.

Action Network Managers Webinar
Wednesday, August 16, 12:30 pm and 8:00 pm ET
Click for the 12:30 session; Click for the 8:00 session
No registration required.
Other Support Calls

Media Office Hour
Wednesday, August 23, 2:00 pm ET
Join via Zoom at https://results.zoom.us/j/93668005494 or (312) 626-6799, meeting ID 936 6800 5494. No registration required.

New Advocate Mentor Connection Call
Thursday, August 24, 8:00 pm ET
Register at: https://tinyurl.com/NAMCCAug
RESULTS Merchandise Shop

• RESULTS Merchandise Shop linked at the bottom of every page
• results.threadless.com

Reach out to communications@results.org with any questions
RESULTS Global Policy Work
Our Fall Goal

Congress demanding equity and impact in the fight against global poverty
Extended!

Senate TB letter – Closing Friday

• Email your senator's foreign policy aide
• Follow up with a phone call, and keep calling until you get a “yes” or “no”

ASK: Will you sign the letter to President Biden, asking for bold U.S. leadership on TB?
Equity & Impact

- How is funding delivered?
- Who does it reach? Who gets left out?
- What are the priorities?
Part 1
How the **U.S. government** spends money and designs programs

Part 2
How the **World Bank** spends money and designs programs
Guest Speaker

Kenneth Prudencio
Head of Advocacy
ASAPSU
Malnutrition Prevention & Treatment Act

The End Tuberculosis Now Act

The READ Act
The World Bank

• What is it?
• Why focus on it?
• What can we do?
What about poverty?
“By carving out a role for itself in shaping day-to-day Bank policy, Congress has cracked open a closed process”

Congress Underestimated: The Case of the World Bank
American Journal of International Law
Equity & impact campaign

*Asks for Congress*

1. Sponsor TB & education bills, and push to get them passed into law

2. Sign bipartisan letter to World Bank (soon!)
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See you next month!