



# RESULTS National Webinar

October 4, 2025

*Welcome!*

# Our Values

The logo for RESULTS, featuring the word "results" in white lowercase letters inside a red speech bubble shape.

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](https://results.org/values).**

# Welcome!

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**Joanne Carter**  
Executive Director

# Guest Speaker

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## Freedom Richardson

Former RESULTS Fellow  
Congressional Staffer

In conversation with  
**Errolyn Gray**  
Senior Associate  
New Advocate  
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**U.S. Poverty Campaigns**



## TaShon Thomas

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# Government shutdown showdown

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- Earlier this year, Congress passed a continuing resolution (CR) to fund the government until September 30th
- The Senate has not been able to pass legislation to fund the government; while the House has been on recess
- Based on the most recent vote, Senate Republicans need at least 5 more Democratic Senators' support

# What each side wants

## Republican Demands

- "Clean" Continuing Resolution to fund government at current levels
- Opposed to any funding extensions requiring Administration to spend already appropriated funds
- Any vote on Affordable Care Act subsidies would be a separate vote at some point in the future

## Democratic Demands

- Any funding agreement must address healthcare concerns
- Undo OBBBA cuts to Medicaid and extend premium tax credits for the Affordable Care Act
- Ensure guardrails are placed on funding bills requiring Administration to spend the funding

# Shutdown impacts

- WIC has a \$150 million contingency, which is estimated to **run out sometime this week**
- Funds for **October's SNAP benefits will continue** as normal; however, it is unclear how much is in the reserve funding for an extended shutdown
- Some states have supplemental funding to ensure SNAP and WIC recipients continue, but **many will be forced to turn participants away**
- Federal employees supporting **Medicare, Medicaid and other mandatory health payments keep working** unabated
- **Housing choice vouchers will continue until further notice**

# Tell Congress to protect anti-poverty programs

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## Use media to draw attention to our issues

- During the shutdown, media is your best advocacy tool to get lawmakers' attention
- Tell them to pass a FY26 budget that prioritizes ending poverty and protects constitutional delegation of powers (Congress' power of the purse)

## Contact members of Congress about the FY26 federal budget

- Email/call aides urging their bosses to fund WIC and Housing Choice Vouchers at levels that meet current need (*with the shutdown, they may be slow to respond*)
- Budget must include language ensuring funding will be spent as directed

**Specific ask for Democrats:** Urge them to co-sponsor the *Restoring Food Security for American Families and Farmers Act of 2025* (repeals OBBBA's SNAP cuts) – bill to be introduced soon!



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**Global Poverty Campaigns**

# Gavi impact

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Gavi has helped immunize over 72 million in 2024 alone.

Every 5 minutes, 6 people's lives will have been saved by Gavi-supported vaccines.



## Global Fund impact:

In 2024 alone...

- 7.4 million people treated for TB
- 25.6 million people on HIV/AIDS treatment

# Our focus remains the same

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- Fund high-impact global health and education programs, with an urgent focus on Global Fund
- Hold administration accountable on outcomes for global health and poverty

# Global congressional actions

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**Senate:** Finalize FY26 bill with strong investments

**Both Chambers:** Hold the White House accountable to spend the money it already has for the fight against global poverty.

**Champions for the Global Fund:** Standing up for the U.S. 1:2 match, and making sure the U.S. does its part to help save 23 million lives.



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**Grassroots Inspiration and Action**



## Lakeisha McVey

Senior Manager  
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# Celebrating the Experts on Poverty Summit

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# Impact of the EOP Summit

## On Capitol Hill

- 20 lobby meetings: 13 Republican and 7 Democratic offices
- Including with these 4 key Members of Congress/Committees:
  - House Democratic Minority Leader Hakeem Jeffries
  - House Ways and Means Committee
  - Senate Democratic Steering and Policy Committee
  - Senate Agriculture Committee

## In the Media

- Features in CBS News & Washington Post
- Laying the foundation for lasting connections with key reporters

# Expert on Poverty Maureen Bowling

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# Grassroots Actions

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**Jos Linn**

Director of Grassroots Advocacy

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The logo for the '600 Voices media campaign' features a central graphic of a blue square with a red and yellow geometric pattern, resembling a folded piece of paper or a book cover. This graphic is flanked by two sets of three yellow curved lines, suggesting sound waves or radio signals. Below the graphic, the number '600' is written in large, bold, red font. Underneath '600', the word 'Voices' is written in a smaller, bold, red font. At the bottom, the words 'media campaign' are written in a black, lowercase, sans-serif font.

**600**  
**Voices**  
media campaign

# 600 Voices Media Campaign

- **600 media pieces** by the **end of 2025**
  - Letters to the editor, op-eds, and other media
  - You currently have 391!
- Push our policy priorities forward
- Hold political leaders accountable
- Strengthen our democracy

# Media Share



**Sarah Miller**

RESULTS St. Louis  
Former RESULTS Fellow

# “600 Voices” Media Resources

- **RESULTS Action Center** has letter to the editor templates
  - <https://results.org/volunteers/action-center/>
- **RESULTS Media Tools and How-to's** on the RESULTS website
  - <https://results.org/volunteers/media-tools>
- **Media and Democracy Project** local journalism directory:
  - <https://www.mediaanddemocracyproject.org/journalism-directory/#Directory>
- **Report your published media:** <https://results.org/report-media>
- **Contact Jos Linn** for assistance: [jlinn@results.org](mailto:jlinn@results.org)

# “600 Voices” Media Resources

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## Media Office Hours

Wednesday, October 8, 9:00-10:00 p.m. ET

Wednesday, October 22, 2:00-3:00 p.m. ET

Monday, November 3, 8:00-9:00 p.m. ET

Wednesday, November 19, 2:00-3:00 p.m. ET

Monday, December 8, 8:00-9:00 p.m. ET

Wednesday, December 17, 2:00-3:00 p.m. ET

Join at <https://results.zoom.us/j/93668005494>  
or call (312) 626-6799, meeting ID 936 6800 5494.

*No registration required.*

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**600**  
**Voices**  
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**Announcements**

# Thank you for joining us!

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## *Who is joining you in the room today?*

Please complete the Zoom poll by indicating the number of people in the room with you today (including yourself).

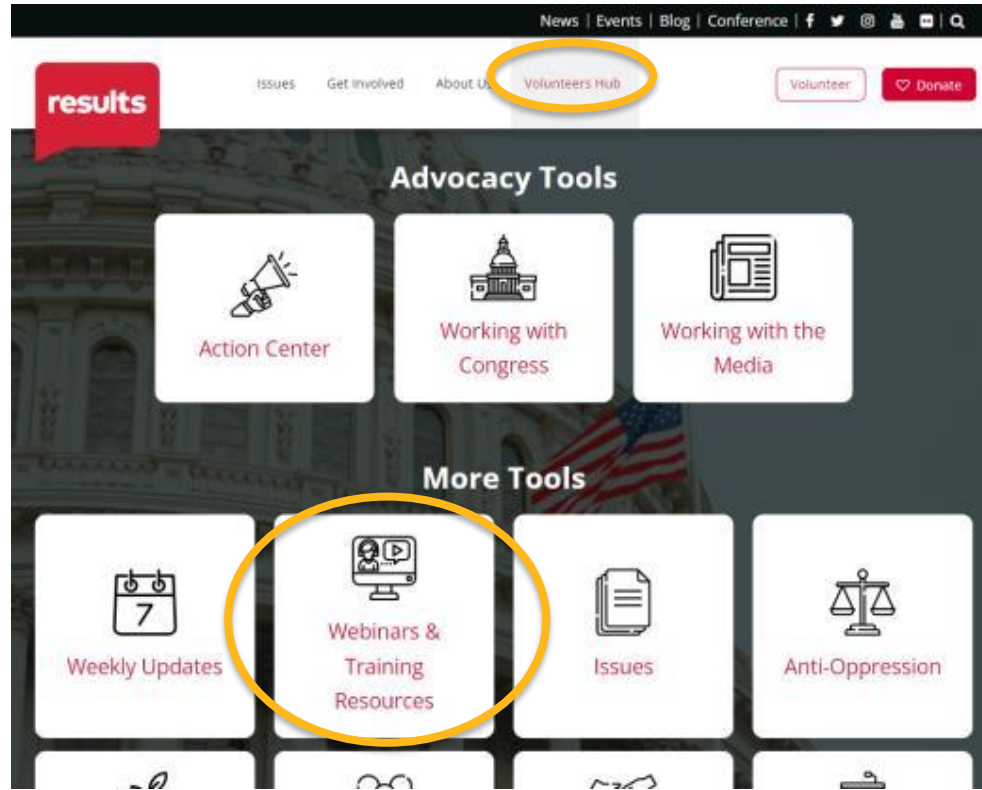


## **Andrea Balderrama**

RESULTS Phoenix  
RESULTS Fellow

# Find today's slides

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# U.S. Poverty Policy Forum



**Thursday, October 23, 8 p.m. ET**

This policy forum will provide insight into RESULTS' U.S. poverty campaign priorities for the remainder of 2025.

Learn how we are preparing for final FY26 budget negotiations, with a focus on ensuring that housing and nutrition programs are protected and funded.

**Please join us!**

**[Register today](#)**



*You're invited!*

# RESULTS Fellowship Graduation



Wed., Oct. 29, 8:45pm ET

*Registration required. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.*

Register at:

[https://results.zoom.us/meeting/register/0BOYsJ\\_FQNa9hNdj0YDnGg#/registration](https://results.zoom.us/meeting/register/0BOYsJ_FQNa9hNdj0YDnGg#/registration)

# RESULTS Organizational Partners

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## **Global Allies (Returned Peace Corps Volunteers)**

Thursday, October 9, 8:30 p.m. ET

[Register today.](#)

## **Together Women Rise Advocacy Chapter with RESULTS**

Tuesday, October 21, 8:30 p.m. ET

[Learn more.](#)

# Monthly Support Calls

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## **U.S. Poverty Free Agents**

Tuesday, October 21, 1:00 p.m. ET

Contact Jos Linn at [jlinn@results.org](mailto:jlinn@results.org) for information.

## **Global Poverty Free Agents**

Contact Lisa Marchal ([lmarchal@results.org](mailto:lmarchal@results.org)) for support.

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## Action Network Power Hour

Thursday, October 16 (choose 12:30 p.m. ET or 8:00 p.m. ET)

Join via <https://results.zoom.us/j/97263551612>

or call (312) 626-6799, meeting ID 972 6355 1612.

# October Office Closures



Monday, October 13: Indigenous Peoples' Day

Friday, October 24: Staff Wellness Day

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## Upcoming Events

NEWSROOM BLOG **EVENTS** TOPICS

< > This Month April 2024

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
31	1	2 8:30 am - 9:30 pm New Advocates Orientation	3	4	5	6 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm National Webinar
7	8	9	10	11 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm Outreach and Event Planning Office Hour 8:30 pm - 9:30 pm Global 48hr	12	13

[results.org/events](https://results.org/events)

Let us know the amazing things  
you are doing!

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## Report Actions



Report Published  
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Report Lobby  
Meetings



Report Outreach  
Meetings

<https://results.org/volunteers/reporting-your-advocacy-actions>

Join us for the  
**November 2025 National Webinar**

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**Rep. Maxine Dexter**  
(D-OR-3)



**Sachiko Osawa**  
Community of Practice Coordinator  
Leading Change Network

**Saturday, November 1, 1:00 p.m. ET**

Register: [www.tinyurl.com/RESULTS2025](http://www.tinyurl.com/RESULTS2025)



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