



### RISE Advocacy Chapter March Webinar

March 21, 2023





### Welcome

Please let us know in the chat where you are joining us from!



### 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.

#### **Our Values & Resources**

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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 <u>results.org/values</u>.

Check out the <u>2023 Spring Anti-Oppression Workshop Schedule</u> 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



### **Grantee Spotlight**





**Too Young to Wed** 



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### About Too Young to Wed

- Too Young to Wed's mission is to empower girls and end child marriage globally.
- Areas of Impact: Economic Sustainability, Education, Environmental Sustainability, Gender Equality, Health
- **Project Title:** The Butterfly Project- \$50,000 Grant (March 2023)





### About The Butterfly Project

- Bringing the Bedrocks of Lasting Change to Northern Pastoralist Kenya's Most Excluded Girls
- By informing girls and families of their rights, providing access to education, financial inclusion, and mentorship, this project will reduce the occurrence of child marriage and Female Genital Mutilation/Cutting (FGM/C) while increasing school attendance and literacy.



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### TOGETHER Campaign Updates





results.org/set-the-agenda



### 2023 Global Policy Priorities



#### Now - April: Funding/Appropriations & MoC Meetings

- 1. Today: Make final requests on House Dear Colleague letters
- 2. Today, tomorrow, and next couple of weeks: Make Senate appropriations requests and Dear Colleague letter requests
- 3. Meet with Senators and Representatives

#### **Funding Requests**

- Maternal & child health, nutrition, vaccinations
- Global Fund to Fight AIDS, TB, malaria
- Education
- Bilateral TB



### 2023 Global Policy Priorities



#### **April - December: Legislation**

- Gather cosponsors for the End TB Now Act: (S.288, H.R. ??)
- Gather cosponsors for READ Act, global education bill (S.41, H.R.681)

#### **July/August: Global TB Actions**

 Generate media and sign on letter to Administration on UN High-Level meeting on TB (9/22/2023)



### **Campaign Updates**



### Set the Agenda page: Resources for Now

- Resources for setting up meetings with Congress
- Resources for having meetings with your member of Congress, including, scorecards.
- Resources to learn about the issues
- Resources to send to your members of Congress



### **Campaign Updates**

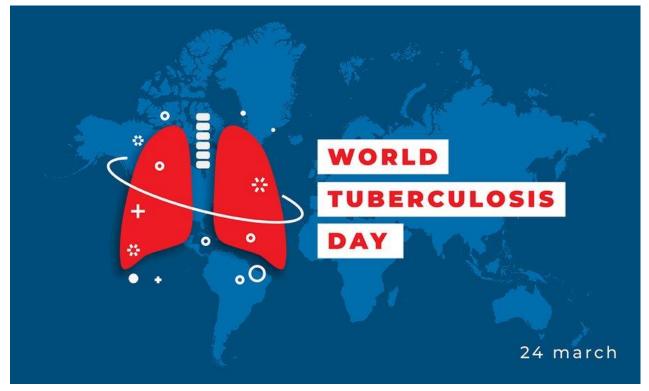


### Set the Agenda page:

- Advocacy Resources
- Prioritizing your asks using the <u>Champion Scale</u>
- Maximize advocacy efforts on World TB Day with these resources







**Friday, March 24, 2023** 





# Advocacy Action Part 1: Speaking powerfully on appropriations for TB





### **Engage**

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## State the problem

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## Inform on solutions

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## Call to action

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You're making a call to your Representative, can you make the FY24 appropriations request for bilateral TB funding?





## Advocacy Action Part 2: Requests to Senators





## Appropriations forms, Dear Colleague Letters, co-sponsorship...oh my!





- Appropriations request forms
- Co-sponsorship of Senate bills:
  - The R.E.A.D. Act Reauthorization (S. 41)
  - The End TB Now Act (S. 288)
- Dear Colleague Letter
  - <u>FY24 Maternal & Child Health and Nutrition</u>
     (April 7 deadline)





#### Steps to make these requests to your Senator:

- 1. Check if your Senator is on the Dear Colleague Letter
- 2. Find them in <u>Legislator Lookup</u> (look for the name of their "foreign policy staff")
- 3. Email convention:

FirstName\_LastName@SenatorsLastName.Senate.Gov

- 4. Personalize this request letter and hit send
- 5. Follow up, Follow up, Follow up





### Bonus Action: 2 House Dear Colleague Letters closing tomorrow!

- <u>FY24 House Global Tuberculosis Dear Colleague</u>
   <u>Letter</u>
- FY24 House Maternal and Child Health and Nutrition Dear Colleague Letter



### Closing



- Link for folks to sign up: <a href="https://results.salsalabs.org/diningforwomen/index.html">https://results.salsalabs.org/diningforwomen/index.html</a>
- Next webinar: April 18 at 8:30 PM ET
- If you would like to learn more about RISE grantees, there are chapters across the US, as well as a virtual national chapter meeting with a speaker from the grantee each month on the first Thursday of the month at 8 PM ET: <a href="https://togetherwomenrise.org/upcoming-events/">https://togetherwomenrise.org/upcoming-events/</a>
- If you are interested in working on advocacy at a committee level at Together Women Rise, please let me know.





# Thank you for joining us tonight!