



Rise Advocacy Chapter Monthly Webinar

April 16, 2024





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>.

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





Campaign Updates

World Bank Opportunity



- The World Bank has more money than any other development entity in the world.
- Mission of the World Bank is "To create a world free of poverty on a livable planet."
- How they describe themselves: "World Bank Group is a unique global partnership: five institutions working for sustainable solutions that reduce poverty and build shared prosperity in developing countries."
- RESULTS has been working to reform World Bank programs and practices on education, debt, health, economic opportunity





Letter to the World Bank President

- Signers so far: Padilla, Durbin, Van Hollen, Lujan, Heinrich, Booker, Kaine.
- Waiting on other potential signers: Murkowski, Tillis, Merkley, Markey



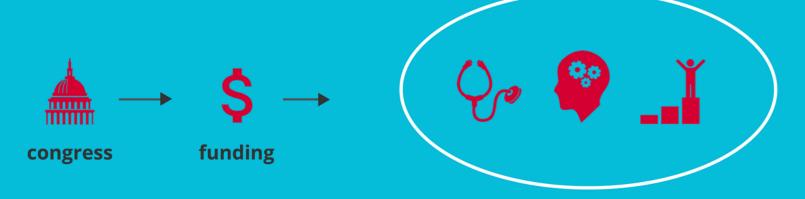


FY25 Appropriations

FY25 Appropriations congress decides where our money goes.



Congress decides how to spend money during the **appropriations** process. This funding can support health, education, and economic opportunity for families around the world.





We influence appropriations by...



- 1) Asking MoCs/staff to include our requests in their submissions to SFOPS and following up
- 2) Meeting with MoC/staff at home & in DC to make our requests









FY 2025 Requests

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Account	FY23 Enacted	FY24 House	FY24 Senate	RESULTS FY25 Request
USAID Tuberculosis	\$394.5 million	\$394.5 million	\$394.5 million	\$1 billion
Global Fund	\$2 billion	\$2 billion	\$1.65 billion	\$1.65 billion
USAID Maternal & Child Health	\$910 million	\$910 million	\$920 million	\$1.15 billion
–Of which, Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance	\$290 million	\$300 million	\$300 million	\$340 million
USAID Nutrition	\$160 million	\$172.5 million	\$160 million	\$300 million
USAID International Basic Education	\$970 million	\$970 million	\$640.55 million	\$1.15 billion
-Of which, GPE	\$130 million	\$130 million	\$130 million	\$200 million



Where are we on letters?



House	Maternal and Child		Global Fund to Fight	International Basic
	Health and Nutrition	Global Tuberculosis	AIDS, TB and Malaria	Education Dear
	Dear Colleague	Dear Colleague	Dear Colleague	Colleague
FY25	4	37	78	37
FY24	154	129	144	129

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FY25	2	14	0	0
FY24	42	33	42	36



You don't have to ask for everything!



Check the <u>RESULTS Scorecard</u> Do a little research:

- What do they care about?
- Connect what they care about with our issues
- Ask for one more thing than they've supported in the past





Take Action on Global Health & Education Appropriations!

1. Take the online action in <u>the RESULTS Action</u> Center.

2. Send a message directly to the foreign policy aide. <u>Find the message here</u>.





Appropriations at work with USAID





Grantee Spotlight



Grantee Spotlight Dian Fossey Gorilla Fund







Grantee Spotlight



Project Title: Girls in Conservation (Rwanda)

Grant Amount: \$50,000

Mission of Dian Fossey Gorilla Fund

The Dian Fossey Gorilla Fund is dedicated to the conservation, protection and study of gorillas and their habitats in Africa. Its successful, integrated approach includes close collaboration with local governments and communities as well as partners from around the world.

Project Summary

The Girls in Conservation program tackles education inequalities in Rwanda, gives girls opportunities outside the classroom, and promotes careers in conservation. This initiative selects aspiring female students in the secondary schools and provides them with life skills and practical conservation lessons; a female mentor living and working around Volcanoes National Park (VNP) in Rwanda; and a scholarship to continue their advanced level education in government-awarded boarding schools around Rwanda. The goal of this program is to increase school attendance, educational attainment, and paid opportunities for post-secondary school.





Advocacy Training: Let's hear your story!



Advocacy Training: Storytelling



Why is storytelling important in advocacy?

- Stories connect the head and the heart.
- They influence policy makers and dispel myths about poverty.
- A well-prepared story can change someone's mind, and move them into action.
- Stories are 22x more likely to be remembered than facts alone!





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Advocacy Action: Lobby Meeting Check In





Where can Rise advocates support?

Total Meetings: 103 **Total Offices**: 85

House: 55 Senate: 30

*As of April 16, 2024







Advocacy Action: Contact your Member of Congress to sign on FY25 Dear Colleague Letters



Advocacy Action: FY25 Dear Colleague Letters



- 1. Check this scorecard see if your Representative or Senator has signed,
- 2. Use <u>Legislator Lookup</u> if you are unsure of who to reach out to, please don't hesitate to reach out to your Together Women Rise Advocacy Chapter Coach for support.
- 3. Email convention:

House: <u>FirstName.LastName@mail.house.gov</u>

Senate: FirstName LastName@SenatorsLastName.Senate.Gov

- 4. Personalize this sample email.
- 5. Follow up!



Closing Announcements



- Together Women Rise Grantees Join the virtual national chapter meeting with a speaker from the grantee each month on the first Thursday of the month at 8 PM ET: Thursday, May 2nd https://togetherwomenrise.org/upcoming-events/
- Together Women Rise Advocacy Chapter Monthly Webinar Tuesday, May 21 at 8:30 PM ET

(Happy Birthday Margaret!!!)





Invite others to join us in changing the world together!

Sign up here:

http://tinyurl.com/JoinRiseAdvocacyChapter