Rise Advocacy Chapter
Monthly Webinar

May 21, 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

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.

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
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.
**Congrats!**

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What to do?

- Thank members who signed: see the FY25 scorecard.
- See and share the signed letters! Find them here.
vaccines save lives
Guest Speaker

Dr. Julia Walsh
Vaccines are crucial for children because they are particularly vulnerable to infectious illnesses.
1920’s to 1960’s

Astounding number of new & effective vaccines
Child mortality by income level of country
The estimated share of newborns who die before reaching the age of five.

Data source: United Nations Inter-agency Group for Child Mortality Estimation (2023)
OurWorldInData.org/child-mortality | CC BY
Number of child deaths by world region

The estimated annual number of children who died before they were five years old.

leading infectious killers

- measles
- pneumonia
- malaria
- rotavirus
why gavi?
why now?
Gavi set out to do three basic things:

- **Increasing coverage** of existing vaccines
- **Introducing** newly developed vaccines
- **Strengthening** health systems

Source: Gavi/2023/Nipah Dennis
Gavi has helped prevent more than 17 million future deaths
gavi by the numbers

- 1 billion children immunized
- 17 million future deaths prevented
- 50% of the world’s children vaccinated by Gavi
- $54 returned for every $1 invested
- 19 countries transitioned out of support
why gavi?
why now?
JUNE 20

Investment Opportunity Launch

Paris, France
Learn more about Gavi’s amazing results [here](#)!
Grantee Spotlight
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Fistula Foundation

Grant Amount: $50,000

Mission of Fistula Foundation
Fistula Foundation is the global leader in fistula treatment, providing more surgeries to more women than any other organization, including the U.S. government and United Nations.

Summary
This grant supports training of Community Health Volunteers and patient ambassadors, and radio advertising to spread awareness of fistula and fistula treatment options to enable the referral and treatment of women at two partner facilities in Tanzania. This will increase the number of women receiving life-transforming treatment and will add more community-based organizations to build the local capacity to offer quality treatment to women.

Why We Love This
We love the Fistula’s Foundation’s work because it addresses a significant need for fistula treatment and brings light to cultural norms and education around younger mothers and child marriage that contribute to this condition, while also providing prevention and awareness.
Advocacy Action: Lobby Meeting Check In
Where can Rise advocates support?

Total Meetings: 174  
Total Offices: 127  
House: 85  
Senate: 42  

*As of May 17, 2024
Advocacy Action: Meet with Congress

- Why are meetings powerful?
- Who has been to a meeting with Congress this Spring?
- Who would still like to join a meeting with your Rep. and/or Senator?
- Is anything keeping you from securing a meeting?
Advocacy Action:
Take Action on Gavi!

1. Check this scorecard see if your Representative or Senator has signed,

2. Use Legislator Lookup 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: FirstName_LastName@SenatorsLastName.Senate.Gov

4. Personalize this sample email requesting your Senators to co-sponsor S. Res. 684.

5. Follow up!
Senate Resolution - S. Res. 694

- S. Res. 694 – lead cosponsors Sens. Wicker (R-MI) and Cardin (D-MD)
- Calls for United States to have supporting role in saving children’s lives of children and protecting people’s health through Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance

- Gavi has been a major contributor in reducing the number of childhood deaths in lower-income countries due to vaccine-preventable disease by 70 percent since 2000

- Country ownership and sustainability are at the core of the Gavi model.
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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, June 6th
https://togetherwomenrise.org/upcoming-events/

- Together Women Rise Advocacy Chapter Monthly Webinar
Tuesday, June 18 at 8:30 PM ET
Invite others to join us in changing the world together!

Sign up here:
http://tinyurl.com/JoinRiseAdvocacyChapter