



**TOGETHER
WOMEN RISE**

Collective action for global gender equality



Rise Advocacy Chapter Monthly Webinar

October 21, 2025

Welcome

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

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.

Rise Anti Oppression Commitment:

At Together Women Rise, we come together as a community dedicated to equality and justice for women and girls everywhere. [Read full statement here.](#)

A woman with long black dreadlocks, wearing glasses and a blue top, is smiling and holding a large red sign. The sign has white text that reads "VOICES THAT CHANGE THE WORLD". She is standing outdoors in front of a building with large windows.

**VOICES
THAT
CHANGE
THE WORLD**

RESULTS is a movement of passionate, committed, everyday people. Together, we use our voices to influence political decisions that will bring an end to poverty.

Our Values & Resources

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

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.

Government Shut Down October 1, 2025 - ???



Congress hasn't passed a budget or continuing resolution (CR):

- No new funding or grant disbursements
- Staffing furloughs and operational slow downs
- Interruptions in planning and diplomacy
- Impact on future funding momentum
- Field-level consequences

Can we still take action?

The good news...

Gavi impact report

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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.



The malaria vaccine

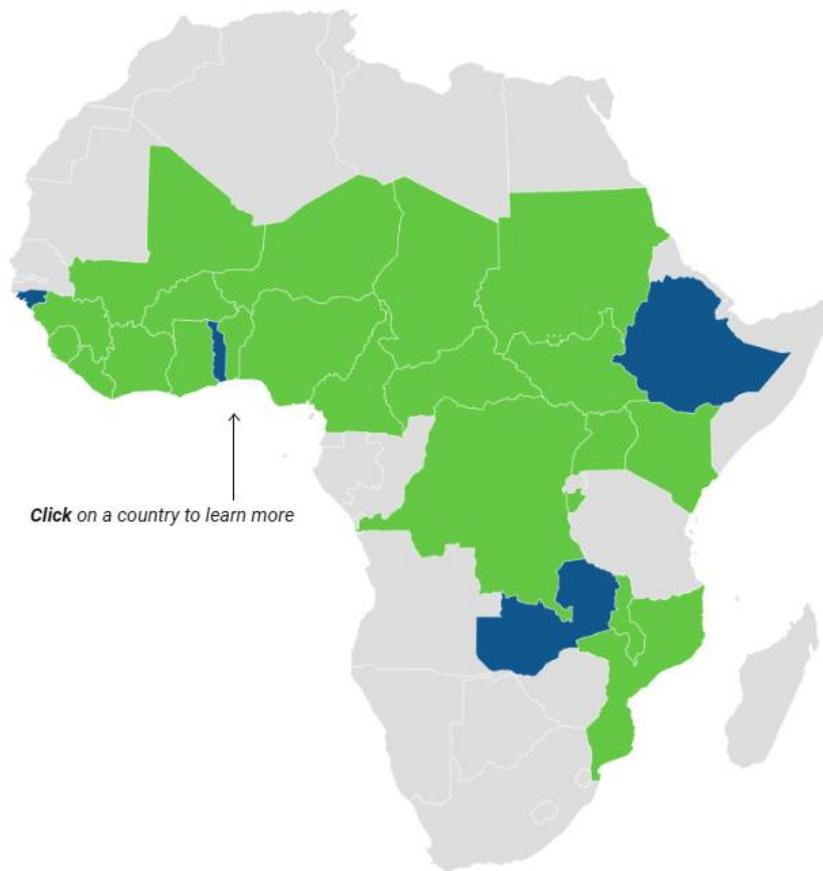
A VaccinesWork guide: news, science explainers and reported dispatches giving you everything you need to know about the world's first malaria vaccine and its historic roll-out.

[Malaria Vaccine Roll Out](#)

Tracking the malaria vaccine roll-out

Malaria vaccine status (as of: 14/08/2025)

■ Began vaccinating ■ Planned



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Championing the Global Fund

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The Global Fund

To Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria

Global Fund impact

results



In 2024 alone...

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

The image features two young girls, one on the left and one on the right, looking directly at the camera. They are framed by a jagged, torn paper cutout. The background behind them is a blurred outdoor scene with other people. The girls' faces are highlighted by a yellow outline, and the overall composition is set against a background of red, blue, and black patterns.

**70 MILLION REASONS
TO SUPPORT
THE GLOBAL FUND**

What can a sufficiently funded Global Fund do?

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- Support countries to save 23 million lives in the next 3 years
- The partnership can avert 400 million infections in this period
- Build sustainable health systems capable of reaching those most in need

Humanitarian Action for Gaza

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“This unthinkable is not looming - it is already here. The escalation is underway. The collapse of essential services is leaving the youngest and most vulnerable fighting for survival.

- UNICEF Staff in Gaza

Take our [online action](#) on Gaza!



[For the Good \(Kenya\)](#)

Advocacy Training: Speaking powerfully using EPIC Laser Talks

EPIC Laser Talks: A Tool for Speaking and Writing



A laser talk: A very succinct, crisp 4-part piece about what you care about, why you care about it, and the action you wish a lawmaker to take in response

EPIC: A way to focus and organize what you want to say in your laser talk

Laser Talks: A Tool for Speaking and Writing



Engage

Problem

Inform

Call to action

E = Engage

How can you capture the attention of your reader or listener?

- Perhaps a startling statistic?
- Perhaps a personal story about how a policy has personally affected you or why you are passionate about it?

P = Problem

How can you articulate the problem you would like the legislator to help solve?

- Can you describe how poverty is being created or exacerbated? Is it lack of access to nutrition? A tax policy piece that punishes family?
- How would you explain the issue in a sentence or two to someone as if they are hearing it for the first time?

I = Inform

How can I inform my reader/listener on the solution for which I'm advocating?

- Are you asking for the policymaker to speak up to colleagues about a policy change? Maybe you are eager for the passage of a certain bill? Be clear about what you want.
- Describe this solution as a positive, proactive step.

C = Call to Action

What am I asking the member of Congress to do?

- Can you describe the action you're wishing the legislator to take in the form of a yes or no question? (i.e., "Will you co-sponsor . . ." or "Will you speak to . . .")
- Remember that your outreach to a congressional office isn't complete until you get a clear "yes" or "no" answer.

Global Fund Laser Talk

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Listen for the EPIC elements:

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The logo 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 that radiate outwards, suggesting sound waves or a broadcast signal. Below this graphic, the text '600' is written in a large, bold, red sans-serif font. Underneath '600', the word 'Voices' is written in a similar bold, red sans-serif font. At the bottom, the words 'media campaign' are written in a smaller, black, lowercase sans-serif font.

EPIC Laser Talk, part deux

- 1. Choose your topic.**
- 2. Choose your audience.
(friend/family, MOC, media?)**
- 3. Write your first draft, practice with partner, revise. (20 mins)**
- 4. Share in the main room (5 mins)**

Personalize your EPIC Laser Talk

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The budget reconciliation bill passed this summer holds vast potential to do real harm. And the push for the U.S. to stand up for the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria is on now.

RESULTS Laser Talks ([linked here](#)):

[The Global Fund to Fight AIDS TB and Malaria](#)

[Gavi, The Vaccine Alliance](#)

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Engage:

At the height of the AIDS crisis, the world came together to create the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria. Over the past two decades, **this partnership has helped save 65 million lives** and has **always received bipartisan support in Congress.**

Global Fund Laser Talk

The logo consists of the word "results" in a white, lowercase, sans-serif font, centered within a red speech bubble shape that points downwards.

Problem:

Despite recent **progress in global health**, millions of people are still suffering and left behind by their health systems. For example, tuberculosis (TB) — **the world's leading infectious disease killer** — sickened almost **11 million** and **killed 1.25 million people** in 2023 alone.

Global Fund Laser Talk

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Inform:

This fall, world leaders will make new pledges to the Global Fund. The U.S. has played a key leadership role for decades. **Our pledges bring other donors to the table** by committing to **matching \$1 for every \$2** from other countries.

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Call to Action:

We need bipartisan leadership in Congress to deliver vital funding for the Global Fund. This also encourages other donors to come forward. **Can we count on you to commit to continuing the U.S. 1:2 match, and will you also reach out to appropriators to ensure that this is included in the FY26 spending bill?**

Additional Resources



2024 Global Fund Report:

<https://tinyurl.com/GF2024Report>

Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance Progress Report:

<https://www.gavi.org/progress-report>



**Guest Speaker,
Dr. Oraib Al Smadi
President
Jordan Society of Family
Medicine (JSFM)**

Tuesday, November 18 at 1:00 PM ET



Conversation on the Gender Nutrition Gap

**Guest Speaker:
Dorothy Monza
RESULTS Global Policy Team**

[Register here](#)

Tuesday, December 9 at 8:30 PM ET

**Invite others to join us in
changing the world together!**

Sign up here:

<http://tinyurl.com/JoinRiseAdvocacyChapter>