



**TOGETHER
WOMEN RISE**

Collective action for global gender equality



January 2025 Orientation: We Were Made for Times Like These

January 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.



Margaret Moodian & Susan Wright
Together Women Rise Advocacy Chapter, co-chairs 2024



Beverley Francis-Gibson

CEO

Together Women Rise



2024

Advocacy Wrapped

31

Lobby Meetings

149 advocates attended!



11

Letters to the Editor

Cameron Duncan Media Award

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130

Online Actions

...and counting

Global funding for vital programs mostly maintained (Appropriations)

- USAID Bilateral Tuberculosis
- Global Fund to Fight AIDS, TB and Malaria
- USAID Nutrition
- Maternal & Child Health, including Gavi, The Vaccine Alliance
- Education: Global Partnership for Education

US Leadership at Global Forums

- Nutrition for Growth 106 Reps (more than doubled from 51 signers).
- Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance - \$1.58 billion commitment from the Biden Administration

Bills

- Global Malnutrition Prevention and Treatment Act (H.R. 4693, S. 2956)
- End TB Now Act (H.R. 1776, S. 288): Passed in Senate with Unanimous Consent on 9/19

Advocacy Impact

What advocacy does over time...

- Educates members of Congress and staff on issues affecting women, children, and families
- Builds relationships: Relationships = Influence
- Inspires others to take action
- Builds your own skills and confidence in being a changemaker
- Impacts the lives of millions of women

Our Partnership



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Rise Advocacy Chapter with RESULTS



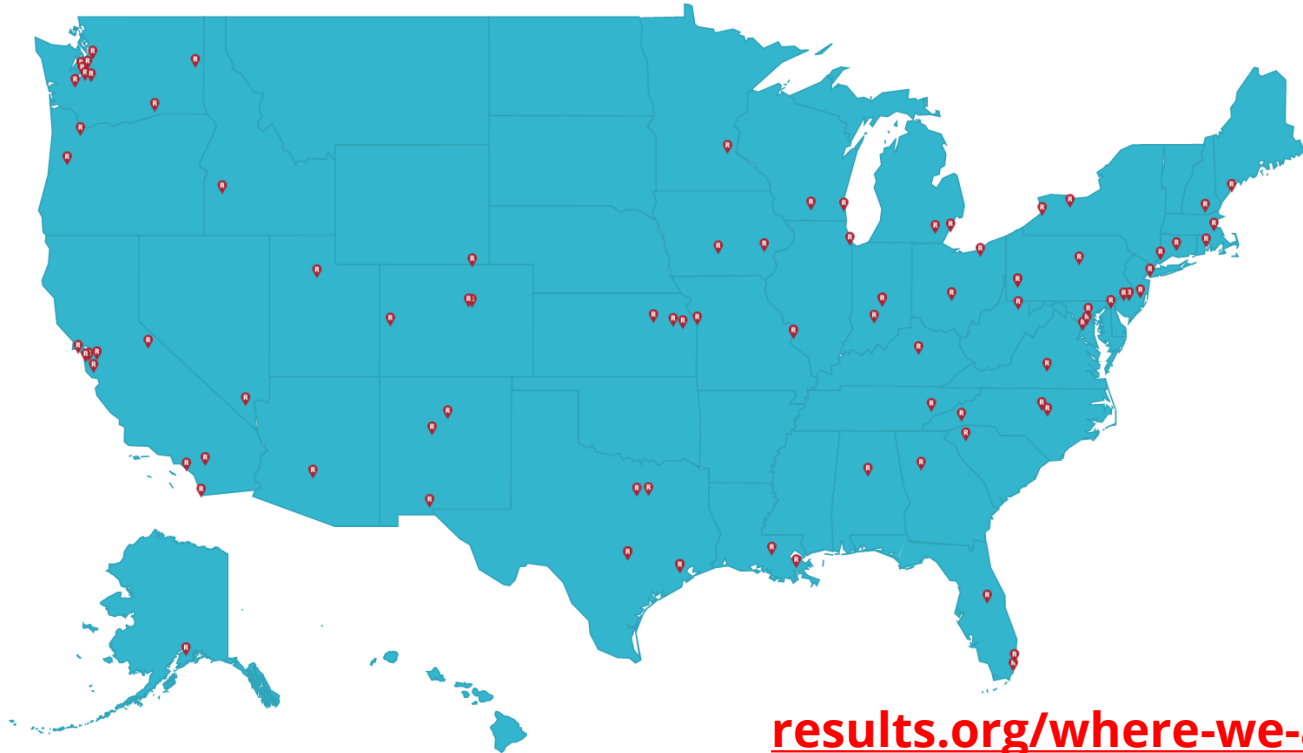
- Partnership between Together Women Rise and RESULTS began in 2019
- Over 200 volunteer advocates, representing 32 states and D.C., and 133 of 435 Congressional Districts, and 64 Senators.
- Advocacy Chapter meets every **3rd Tuesday at 8:30 PM ET**
- Goal: Share congressional updates, learn and practice new advocacy skills, and take an action together in a supportive community.
- Mentors: Karyne Bury (FL), Anne Child (TN), Joanna DiStefano (WV), Lesley Heilig (MA), Sarah Leone (IN), Jim Hennigan (KY) & Susan Wright (CA)
- Connection with Rise grantees and policies on the issues they address.

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.

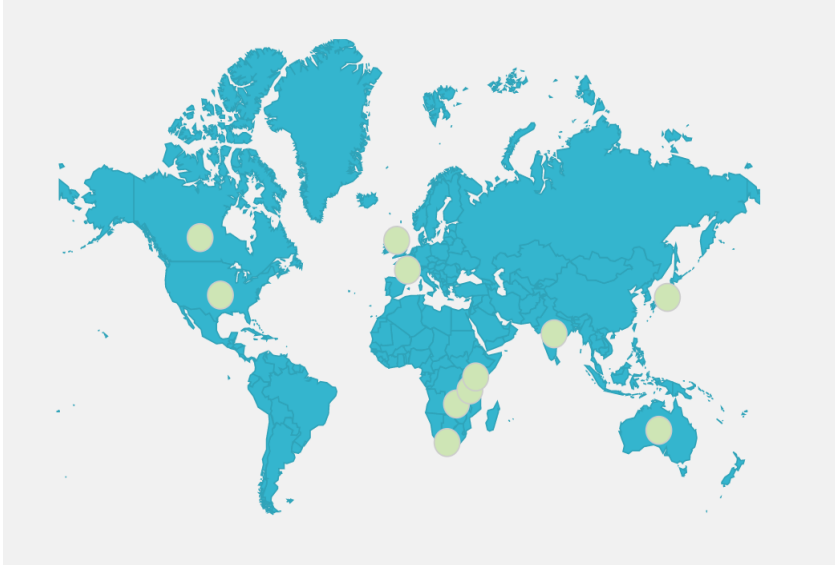
RESULTS Worldwide Movement



results.org/where-we-are/

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ACTION Partners



RESULTS International

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.

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

RESULTS Model



Informed, connected
communities
+ Engaged in action
with **Congress**
= Policy **change**



Why Congress?

The government makes decisions about EVERYTHING
Taxes Investments Voting Services

Yet, many people don't know who represents them in Congress. Many will never contact their member of Congress or hold them accountable to their decisions.





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Influence

Trust

Relationships



Legislator Look Up

Congressional Scorecard

RESULTS Bill Tracker

Congress.gov

- **Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance**
 - Almost 50 members signed on to bipartisan resolutions supporting increased U.S. investment
 - The Biden Administration announced a bold, early pledge of at least \$1.58 billion over 5 years
- **Global Nutrition**
 - 106 bipartisan members of Congress signed on to a letter supporting Nutrition for Growth

- Highest ever signers on House Tuberculosis (TB) Dear Colleague Letters, increased House Global Fund signers
- Protected FY24 funding levels for Gavi, TB, and education
- Increases included for maternal and child health and nutrition
- Included requested language on maternal and child health, Gavi, nutrition and TB



In 2024, **207 Representatives and 48 Senators** took at least one of our global policy actions!

RESULTS Since 1980



6,500 +

face-to-face meetings with members of
Congress



16,000 +

pieces of media



168,000 +

meetings and phone conversations with
congressional staff

Learn more at: results.org/our-impact



Chris King

Rise Advocacy Chapter Volunteer Advocate

Jim Hennigan

Together Women Rise Advocacy Chapter Coach



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

Sign up here:

<http://tinyurl.com/JoinRiseAdvocacyChapter>



Save the Date!



Next Meeting
Together Women Rise Advocacy Chapter
Tuesday, February 18 at 8:30 PM ET