

New Advocate Orientation

Welcome!



Use the chat to introduce yourself

- Name
- Pronoun
- ONE WORD that describes why you're joining today

Our Goals



EMPOWERED EQUIPPED CONNECTED

Advocacy Action Plan



Fill in the blanks to take your first action with RESULTS.

Connect with your values

Why are you interested in advocacy? Who do you want to be in the face of poverty and oppression?

Read about RESULTS values: results.org/values

Know the issues

Problem: Millions of children across the world face barriers to accessing quality nutrition.

- All children deserve a strong, healthy start in life by having access to essential nutrition to develop, grow, and thrive.
- Nearly 200 million children experienced severe malnutrition in 2020, and COVID-19 will make only things worse. Poverty, climate change, and colonialism are all drivers of malnutrition
- Wasting a form of severe childhood malnutrition - will be the greatest driver of increased child deaths over the next several years.
- · Nutrition receives less than one percent of U.S. global development assistance

Problem: The United States is facing an affordable housing crisis that affects millions of people.

- Housing is a human right. Everyone should have a safe place to call home.
- Unfortunately, millions of Americans are one crisis away from eviction and potential homelessness.
- · While rents have steadily been increasing, wages have not kept up.
- Discriminatory housing policies put some at higher risk of homelessness (for example: communities of Black, Indigenous, people of color, and people with disabilities)
- · Rental assistance is critically underfunded and is only available for one in every four households who qualify

Make it personal

How do you see these problems showing up in your community? Why do you care? How has it impacted you?

Learn the solutions



There are simple, proven solutions to address global malnutrition and hunger that focus on both prevention and treatment. By prioritizing robust nutrition funding and policy, we can ensure that all children have access to the food they need to not only survive but thrive.



Access to affordable housing is critical. People with stable housing earn more, are healthier, and do better in school. By expanding housing choice vouchers to all eligible renters, we can lift 9 million people out of poverty, begin to close racial disparities in housing, and reduce homelessness

Read about the current RESULTS call to action:

results.org/volunteers/action-center

Identify your congressperson

Use the RESULTS Legislator Look-Up: results.org/volunteers/legislator-lookup

Senator		Phone	
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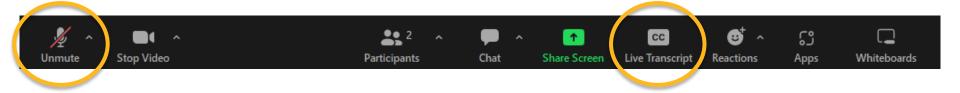
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- ✓ Stay on mute
- ✓ Private chat us if you have tech issues
- ✓ Live transcript available

- Zoom tip

Want to rename yourself? **Right click** on your Zoom square and select "**rename**"





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 Values



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.

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.

Find resources and more at results.org/values





results.org/where-we-are/



RESULTS Worldwide Movement (cont'd)



results.org/where-we-are/



ACTION Partners

RESULTS International

What's your "why"?





Write your answers in the Advocacy Action Plan!

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Advocacy Strategy

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.







Influence

Trust

Relationships



RESULTS Advocacy Successes



- ✓ Passed the Global Malnutrition Prevention and Treatment Act – Oct 2022
- ✓ U.S. pledge to reach 45 million people with quality TB treatment and testing – Sep 2023
- ✓ Passed Child Tax Credit expansion in the House -Feb 2024

Learn more at: <u>results.org/our-impact</u>



Volunteering

Join a RESULTS chapter and get into action fighting poverty





- Meet regularly via Zoom
- In-person opportunities
- Learn about poverty issues
- Take action together
 - Lobbying
 - Media writing
 - Community organizing

Volunteer Roles



Advocate

Congressional Point Person

Group Leaders

Regional Coordinators



Month-at-a-glance

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						National Webinar
			Read about issues			
				Lobby Prep Call		
	Practice	Attend lobby meeting				
				Group meeting		

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Volunteering is a combination of group work and individual actions

5 to 6 hours per month

Outreach & Partnership Coordinators (OPCs)



- Be active in your community and represent RESULTS
- Partner with organizations that share a vision for ending poverty
- Show up at election-year events and connect with others in the audience who care about ending poverty
- Facilitate new partners to take action with RESULTS

Contact Errolyn Gray for more details egray@results.org





12-12:45 p.m. ET Third Friday of the month

Sign-up to get more info

Questions?

Contact Asia Olieman at athompson@results.org

Monthly RESULTS Webinars





National Webinar

Skills training, speakers, action

- First Saturday of the month
- 1 p.m. ET, 12 p.m. CT, 10 a.m. PT

<u>results.org/volunteers/national-</u> webinars

All webinars are advertised on the RESULTS calendar: results.org/events

You must register via Zoom to attend RESULTS webinars. Webinars are recorded and slides are available for download.



The Issues





Education



Economic Opportunity& Security



Health & Nutrition

Use your Action Plans



Make it personal

How do you see these problems showing up in your community? Why do you care? How has it impacted you?



U.S. Poverty



Our goal:

Promote economic justice through the tax code



Child Tax Credit (CTC)



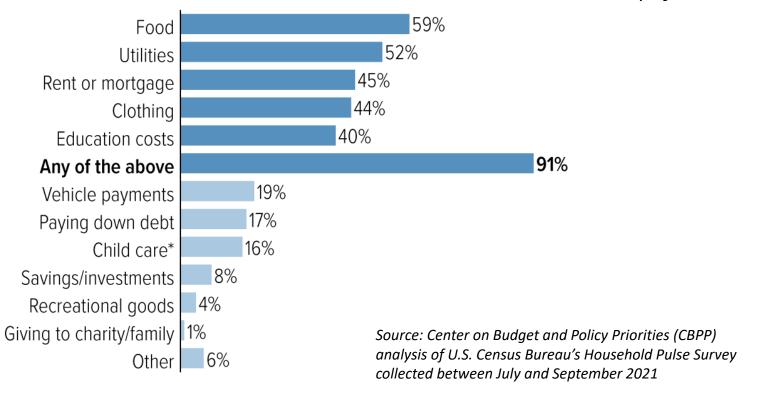


The Child Tax Credit Works.

How families used the CTC



Percent of households with incomes below \$35,000 who spent their payments on:



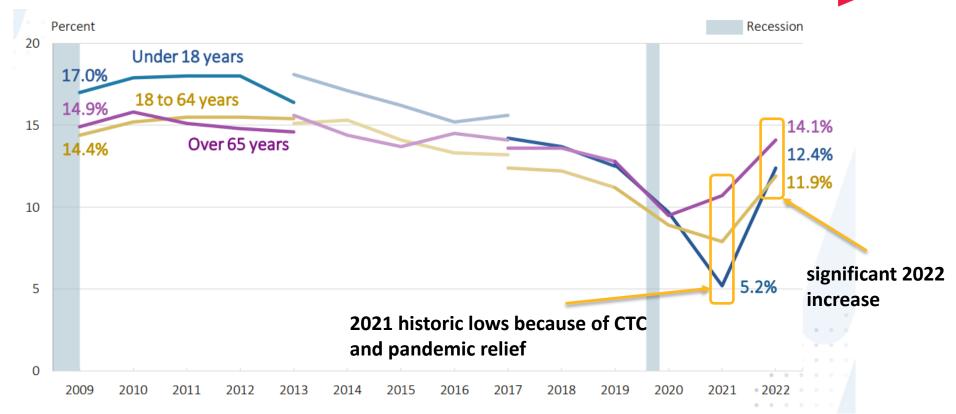




In 2021, the Child Tax Credit kept more than <u>4 million</u> children out of poverty every months

Percentage in poverty by age: 2009-2022







Our call to action: Make expansions to the CTC permanent



Global Poverty



Our goal:

Promote equity in international anti-poverty programs



Ending the tuberculosis (TB) pandemic





Tuberculosis is preventable, treatable, and curable.





Without treatment, tuberculosis is often fatal.





Tuberculosis is largely stigmatized as a disease of poverty.





Tuberculosis infects over <u>10 million</u> people each year.



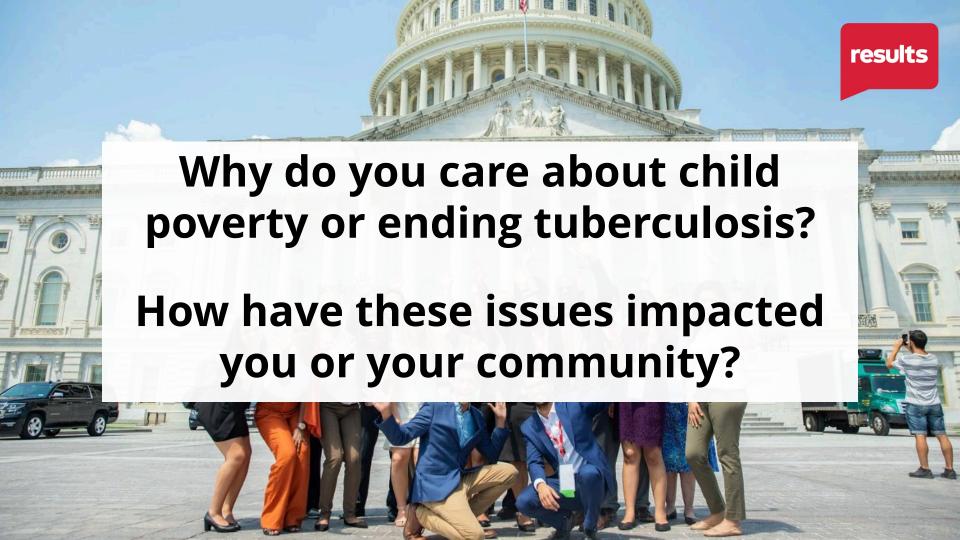
Tuberculosis kills over <u>4,000</u> people every day.



Over 95% of infections and deaths are in low-income countries.



Our call to action: *Increase funding* for **Tuberculosis programs**





Advocacy Skill



Do you know your members of Congress?



www.results.org/legislator-lookup





Join the movement



How to get involved



Step 1

Fill out the volunteer onboarding form

Questions? Email Alicia at <u>astromberg@results.org</u>

Step 2

- You will receive an email with follow-up resources
- Schedule a 1:1 if you still have questions

Step 3

- We will introduce you via email to your group
- Introductions happen last week of the month



Nothing can stop the power of a committed and determined people to make a difference in our society.

-Rep. John Lewis



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