

# Hope to Action - Reproductive Rights in Washington

## Actions you can Take to Protect and Expand Abortion Access in your Community!

In the recent decision on *June Medical Services v. Russo*, the Supreme Court ruled 5-4 that a Louisiana law requiring abortion providers to have admitting privileges at nearby hospitals is unconstitutional. While this decision is a victory, it does not mark the end of the fight to protect and expand abortion access for all those who need it. **Please join us in this fight by sharing this document with 5-10 friends and taking the actions listed below!**

**Donate to these local organizations** - These organizations are working on the frontlines to support and serve Black, Brown, Indigenous, and low-income communities seeking abortion and reproductive health care.

- [Donate to Cedar River Clinics](#)
- [Donate to Northwest Abortion Access Fund \(NWAAF\)](#)
- [Donate to SURGE Reproductive Justice](#)

### **Take Action in Washington State**

- **Protect and increase funding for family planning and Medicaid coverage:** As the response to COVID-19 creates deficits in our state budget, we have seen proposals to cut funding for critical services like Family Planning Funding and Medicaid coverage for abortion. Contact your state legislators and the Governor, and ask them to protect and increase funding for these vital reproductive health services now and in the future.

Sample Script: Hello, my name is (insert your name) and I am a constituent of (insert name of elected official). I am writing/calling to request that you protect and expand funding for family planning and abortion care in Washington State. Budget cuts to these services would cause thousands of Washingtonians to lose access to necessary health care and would devastate the health of our community, particularly for our most vulnerable community members who are already facing substantial barriers to getting the care they need. I ask you to reject any future budget cuts to family planning funding and abortion care and expand funding for these vital services.  
Thank you.

- **Advocate for Progressive Revenue:** Washington has an upside-down tax code, which results in people with low incomes paying six times as much of their income in taxes as the wealthiest. Sign this petition to ask your legislators to pass progressive revenue, so we can invest in the services that every community needs to thrive, like great schools, healthcare for all, infrastructure to support our economy
- **Defund the police and invest in Black community & community services:** The call to defund the police is a call for investment in the urgent needs that disproportionately impact Black communities including abortion care and reproductive healthcare. Please sign this petition to support the demands of the BLM movement in Washington state.

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- [Protect Comprehensive Sex Education in Washington State by Approving R-90 on the upcoming ballot](#) - Earlier this year, SB 5395 was signed into law, mandating that all public schools teach medically accurate, age-appropriate, and inclusive sex education. Opponents of sex ed recently launched an effort to put this issue on the ballot in November - Please vote to Approve R-90 on your upcoming ballot & spread the news by liking the Facebook page and sharing with it with 10 friends.
- **Use your local abortion clinics for your medical care needs** - One of the simplest ways you can support local abortion clinics is by using these clinics for your medical care needs. These clinics offer much more than abortion care: contraceptive care, annual exams, PAP smears, STI testing, and treatment, etc.
- [Register to vote and/or check your voter registration](#) - It is crucial that we have reproductive freedom champions at every level of government, locally and nationally, that will fight to make abortion and reproductive health care affordable and accessible for all.

## **Build the Movement:**

- **Get involved with the organizations you have heard from tonight** - There are so many ways that you can get involved to protect abortion access and reproductive healthcare in Washington state. Check out the organizations below to find out how you can get involved in this fight.
  - [American Civil Liberties Union \(ACLU\)](#)
  - [Cedar River Clinics](#) (If you have specific questions, please email MercedesS@CedarRiverClinics.org)
  - [Legal Voice](#)
  - [NARAL Pro-Choice WA](#)
  - [North Seattle NARAL Troublemakers](#)
  - [Northwest Abortion Access Fund \(NWAAF\)](#)
  - [Planned Parenthood of Greater Washington and Northern Idaho \(PPGWN\)](#)
  - [Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest \(PPVNH\)](#)
  - [SURGE Reproductive Justice](#)