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CHAOS IS THE GOAL, FOCUS IS OUR RESISTANCE

Make no mistake - the chaos we're experiencing from the Trump 2.0 administration isn't an accident. It's a strategy designed to exhaust us, leaving us too overwhelmed to effectively resist.

When everything feels urgent, it becomes impossible to focus, to organize, and to fight back. That's exactly the point. But we refuse to let this tactic succeed.

The path forward is clear:

- First we must take care of ourselves and those around us - we're in this for the long haul.
- Then we should focus on local actions, where it's easier for us to make a difference - let's show our neighbors that we support them.
- And we should keep pressure on your representatives, enter their contact information in our phone, use **5calls** to let them know what we want them to do

- if all of us do it, it will give them a mandate to be more vocal opponents.
- Finally, we have to keep educating ourselves and others to become better witnesses, and opponents.

Small actions, repeated consistently, create unstoppable momentum.

This month, again, we are welcoming **CAIR-SFBA** (Council on American-Islamic Relations, San Francisco / Bay Area) for a second workshop on **Know Your Rights**.

This will be a hybrid meeting, both in person and on Zoom.

February 12, 2025 - 7 to 9 PM
@ Ann's - 173 Longmeadow Drive, Los Gatos

Sincerely,

Karla & Sylvie

Zoom information

[https://us06web.zoom.us/j/2399851259?](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/2399851259?pwd=yhe07sUL3xWEcYXBYKJSUVSMfyaa2n.1&omn=87805823882)

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Meeting ID: 239 985 1259

Passcode: 111024

NEWS

ICE raids have started in San Jose

Catholic Charities is holding 3 **Know Your Rights** sessions for immigrant families:

- February 4th at Our Lady of Refuge -2:30 to 4:30 PM
- February 5th at Saint John Vianney - 2:00 to 4:00 PM
- February 8th at Saint Athanasius - 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM

These will be put on by the Agency's Immigration and Legal Services staff.

If you are a US citizen use your leverage: check out this [guide](#) from **United We Dream**.

The County of Santa Clara has created a [Know Your Rights](#) web page.

And we have added a **RESIST** section on our website with **Know Your Rights** and **Protect Democracy** pages. These are work in progress. Please contact **Sylvie** if you want to contribute.

ADEM Elections

For those who registered, just a reminder that the assembly district elections are taking place this February- You will be able to vote online until February 23rd, and in person on February 22nd and 23rd.

ACTIONS

Make your voice heard

Calling your representatives is the best tool we currently have for the resistance against Donald Trump. Our representatives need to hear from us. Aside from our vote, this is the way everyday Americans get heard. A single call means nothing. But thousands upon thousands of calls cannot be ignored.

To make it easier download the **5 calls** app. You create a profile, and you will be told who your representatives are, whom to call by issue (senator or congress person), it will even dial for you. Calling takes a few minutes everyday but is instrumental in our fight against this administration.

Learn how to communicate on Trump's EOs

ASO Communications and **Research Collaborative** issue the **DOs & DONTs** when communicating about MAGA's Power Grab and Halt to Federal Funds.

DO: name that this action is an impermissible power grab - in other words that it is not permissible. But keep the focus on the voter-facing harms, not the legal implications.

DON'T: rely upon legal arguments to do the work of visceral harms to people. For many voters, Trump decides what is and isn't "legal" and so stating he has broken the law isn't compelling.

DO: highlight public-facing harms like cuts to food assistance programs, defunding our children's schools and slashing the economic supports we rely on to thrive.

DON'T: focus on process descriptors about maintaining norms, precedent, or balance of power.

DO: specify the villains who are threatening our freedoms and our lives: MAGA Republicans and the billionaires who brought them to power.

DON'T: focus on Trump alone. His authoritarian power grab would not be possible without help from billionaires and other MAGA Republicans.

For more information see their [toolkit](#)

Register for the weekly [Indivisible Newsletter](#) for a list of [weekly to-dos](#).

DONATE

The [Skyland Church Food Pantry](#) needs your to help our food insecure neighbors, as it is currently spending \$1000 a month to buy staples.

It now has a [list of needs on Amazon](#) so you can buy what's needed, or you can also drop off chili, tuna, peanut butter, snacks, oil and toilet paper on Karla's porch.

CALENDAR

- **February 3 - Electoral Advocacy Group Meeting** - 5 to 7 PM
On zoom - RSVP to [Marsha](#)
 - **February 10 - Reading and Discussion Group - Infowars** - 7 to 9 PM
Los Gatos - @ Tina's - 16845 Kennedy Road, Los Gatos - [Zoom available](#)
 - **February 12 - TWW General Meeting - Know Your Rights** - 7 to 9 PM
Los Gatos - @ Ann's
 - **March 12 - TWW General Meeting - Local Journalism** - 7 to 9 PM
Los Gatos - @ Ann's
 - **April 9 - TWW General Meeting** - 7 to 9 PM
Los Gatos - @ Ann's
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