

## **2025 MWD Accomplishments**

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1. Held our 84<sup>th</sup> meeting of Making Waves for Democracy since 2017.
2. Met our political goals for 2025, shifting from canvassing and fundraising to do protesting and other forms of resistance.

Our overall theme this year was: “Antidotes to fascism: What does resistance look like in 2025?”

3. Continued to hold engaging and well-attended issue-focused monthly meetings, with good speakers, important ideas, and recommended actions for everyone to do—including 3 very well attended in-person meetings. At each meeting, we focused on a topic or a group targeted by the Trump regime. We had guest presentations addressing
  - Civil liberties – Jon Davidson, ACLU
  - Immigration – CHIRLA E.D., Anjelica Salas and Blanca Malpartida, AVAN
  - Education – Jackie Goldberg, LAUSD
  - LGBTQIA+ and trans rights – Hon. Sheila Kuehl and Joey Klascius
  - Federal interference in LA City - Mayor Karen Bass
  - Election data: groups that regret voting for Trump – Brian Colker

We shared information and resources, highlighting important actions our members can take each week to address each issue. At each meeting, we also focused on an element (“principle”) re “the path to fascism and how to remedy/prevent it.” Jeanne Miranda was our main presenter.

4. We donated \$1800 to 4 organizations that help trans people and immigrants, Avan, CHIRLA, AVDC and Bet Tzedek Trans services.
5. We actively turned out for Prop 50, most of us doing postcarding, phonebanking, canvassing, and donating. We will use this incredible win to inform where we should place our voter engagement efforts for 2026.