



**HANDS
~~OFF!~~**

**MASS MOBILIZATION
SATURDAY, APRIL 5**

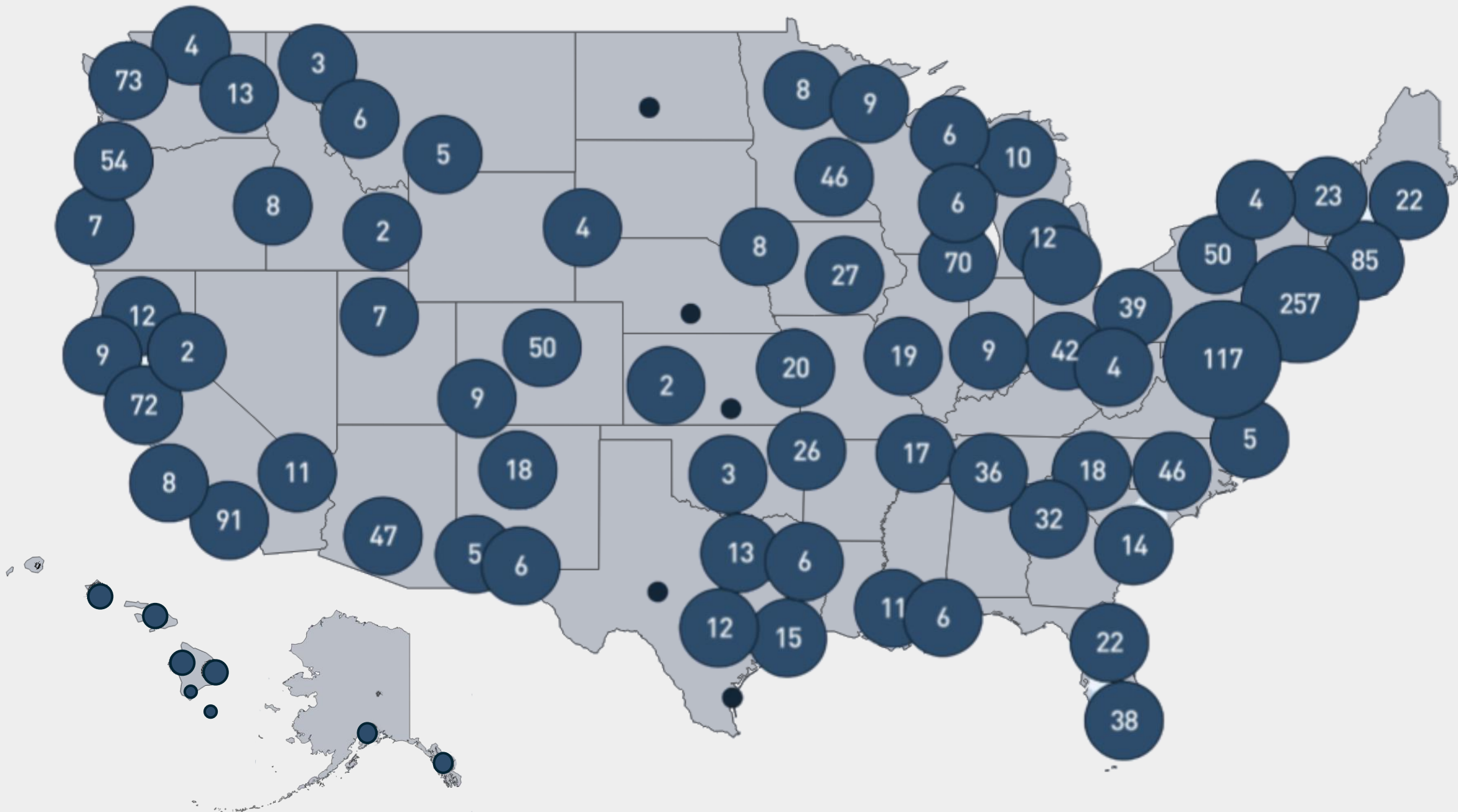
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Welcome to *INDIVISIBLE* Kansas City!

- **INDIVISIBLE** is a national organization fighting to save democracy since 2016
- There are thousands of groups like this across the US
- Non-partisan





Hands Off!

National Day of Action

- We're facing a national crisis
- The services and jobs they are slashing aren't theirs- they're ours
- We need a **massive, visible, national rejection** of the crisis.

- Hands Off Our Democracy!
- Hands Off Our Health Care!
- Hands Off Social Security!
- Hands Off Our Data!
- Hands Off Public Schools!
- Hands Off Our Bodies!
- Hands Off Our Wallets!
- Hands Off Public Lands!

How did we get here?

- **“There’s so much going on that I don’t understand... I wish I could re-take civics!”**
- **“I want to be involved, but I don’t know what to do.”**
- **“I thought I’d be the only one at this meeting.”**

Disclaimer: We don’t have all the answers

What ideas do you have?

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here to *share your
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the end of our
meeting today!**



How did we (the U.S.) get here?

Trump & Musk are symptoms of a bigger problem

- **Tribalism in politics**
- **Breakdowns in our system of checks & balances**
- **Lack of a shared version of the truth**
- **Racism/ Sexism**
- **Corporate influence**
- **Gerrymandering**
- **And more...**



***“We must accept finite
disappointment, but never
lose infinite **hope.**”***

Martin Luther King, Jr.

What do we do about it?

- **Talk to your elected officials**
- **Be intentional with money**
- **Protest**
- **Tell your story**
- **VOTE!**

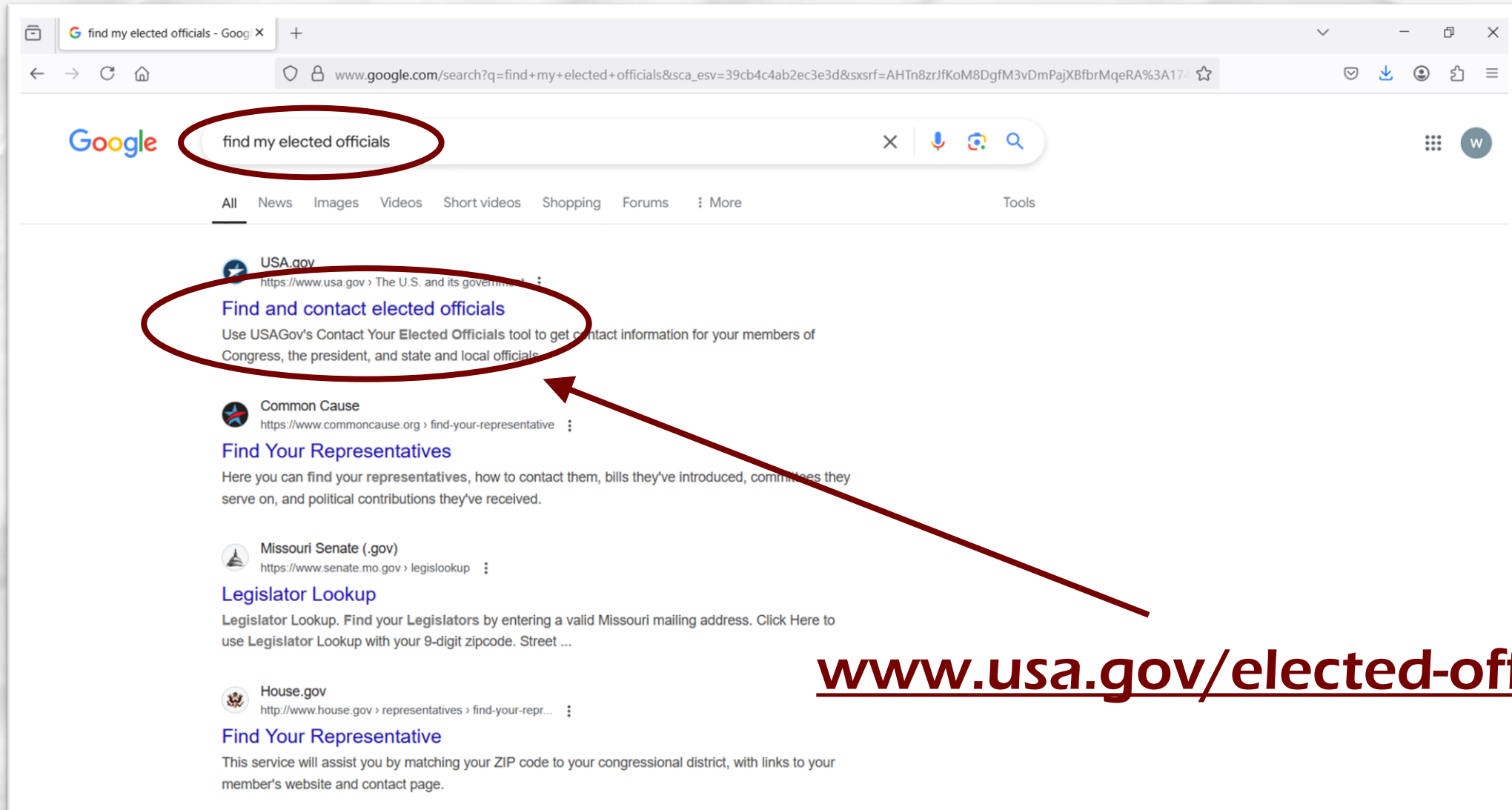




Hands Off! **Our Democracy**

How to talk to your elected officials

Step 1: Know your representatives



A screenshot of a Google search results page for the query "find my elected officials". The search bar and the first result are circled in red. A red arrow points from the URL www.usa.gov/elected-officials at the bottom right to the first search result.

Google find my elected officials

All News Images Videos Short videos Shopping Forums More Tools

USA.gov
https://www.usa.gov › The U.S. and its government
Find and contact elected officials
Use USAGov's Contact Your Elected Officials tool to get contact information for your members of Congress, the president, and state and local officials.

Common Cause
https://www.commoncause.org › find-your-representative
Find Your Representatives
Here you can find your representatives, how to contact them, bills they've introduced, committees they serve on, and political contributions they've received.

Missouri Senate (.gov)
https://www.senate.mo.gov › legislookup
Legislator Lookup
Legislator Lookup. Find your Legislators by entering a valid Missouri mailing address. Click Here to use Legislator Lookup with your 9-digit zipcode. Street ...

House.gov
http://www.house.gov › representatives › find-your-repr...
Find Your Representative
This service will assist you by matching your ZIP code to your congressional district, with links to your member's website and contact page.

www.usa.gov/elected-officials

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Find and contact elected official x

www.usa.gov/elected-officials

An official website of the United States government [Here's how you know](#)

usa.gov

Español

Search all government

All topics and services The U.S. and its government Government benefits Immigration and U.S. citizenship Money and credit Taxes Travel

[Home](#) > [The U.S. and its government](#) > Elected officials

The U.S. and its government

- Buying from the U.S. government
- U.S. facts and figures
- A-Z index of U.S. government departments and agencies
- State and local governments
- Branches of government
- Elected officials**
- Federal laws and regulations
- Indian tribes and resources for Native Americans
- Federal, state, territory, county, and municipal courts

Find and contact elected officials

Get the names and contact information for the people who represent you on the federal, state, and local levels.

Find elected officials using a physical address

Enter your physical address in the form below in order to get a list of elected officials at the federal, state, and local levels.

All fields are required.

Street address

4601 main street

City

Type your address here

Step 1: Know your representatives

The screenshot shows the 'Your elected officials' page on USA.gov. The browser address bar displays the URL: www.usa.gov/elected-officials-results?input-street=4601+main+street&input-city=kansas+city&input-state=MO&input-zip=64112#skip-to-h1. On the left, a sidebar lists navigation options: 'Elected officials' (highlighted), 'Federal laws and regulations', 'Indian tribes and resources for Native Americans', and 'Federal, state, territory, county, and municipal courts'. The main content area is titled 'Your address:' and shows the address '4601 main street, kansas city, MO 64112' with an 'Edit my address' link. Below this is the 'Your results:' section, which includes instructions to expand results and select names. A red arrow points to three expandable boxes: 'Federal officials represent you and your state in Washington, DC.', 'State officials represent you in your state capital.', and 'Local officials represent you in your county or city.' Each box has a '+' icon on the right. At the bottom, there is a section titled 'Other ways to find elected officials' with a link to 'other ways to find elected officials.' and a 'Top' button in the bottom right corner.

**Your results are here.
Use the drop-down boxes!**

Elected officials

- Federal laws and regulations
- Indian tribes and resources for Native Americans
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Your address:

4601 main street
kansas city, MO 64112

[Edit my address](#)

Your results:

Expand the following results and reveal the contact information for the elected officials at each level of government. Then, select their name to see how to contact them and their staff.

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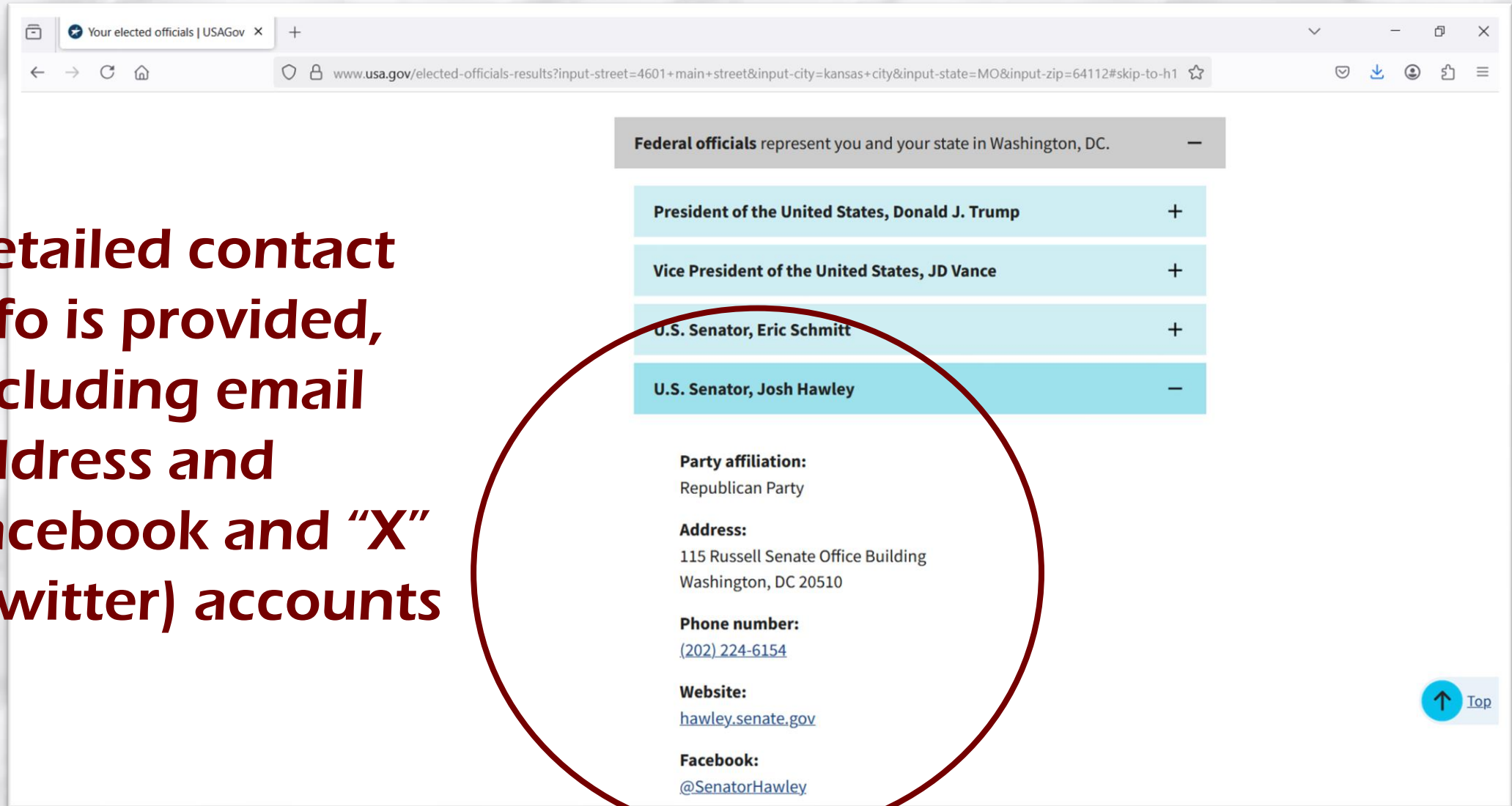
Other ways to find elected officials

Did you not find the elected official you were looking for? See [other ways to find elected officials](#).

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Detailed contact
info is provided,
including email
address and
Facebook and “X”
(Twitter) accounts



Your elected officials | USAGov

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Federal officials represent you and your state in Washington, DC. —

President of the United States, Donald J. Trump	+
Vice President of the United States, JD Vance	+
U.S. Senator, Eric Schmitt	+
U.S. Senator, Josh Hawley	—

Party affiliation:
Republican Party

Address:
115 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Phone number:
[\(202\) 224-6154](tel:(202)224-6154)

Website:
hawley.senate.gov

Facebook:
[@SenatorHawley](https://www.facebook.com/SenatorHawley)

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Local elected officials are included too!

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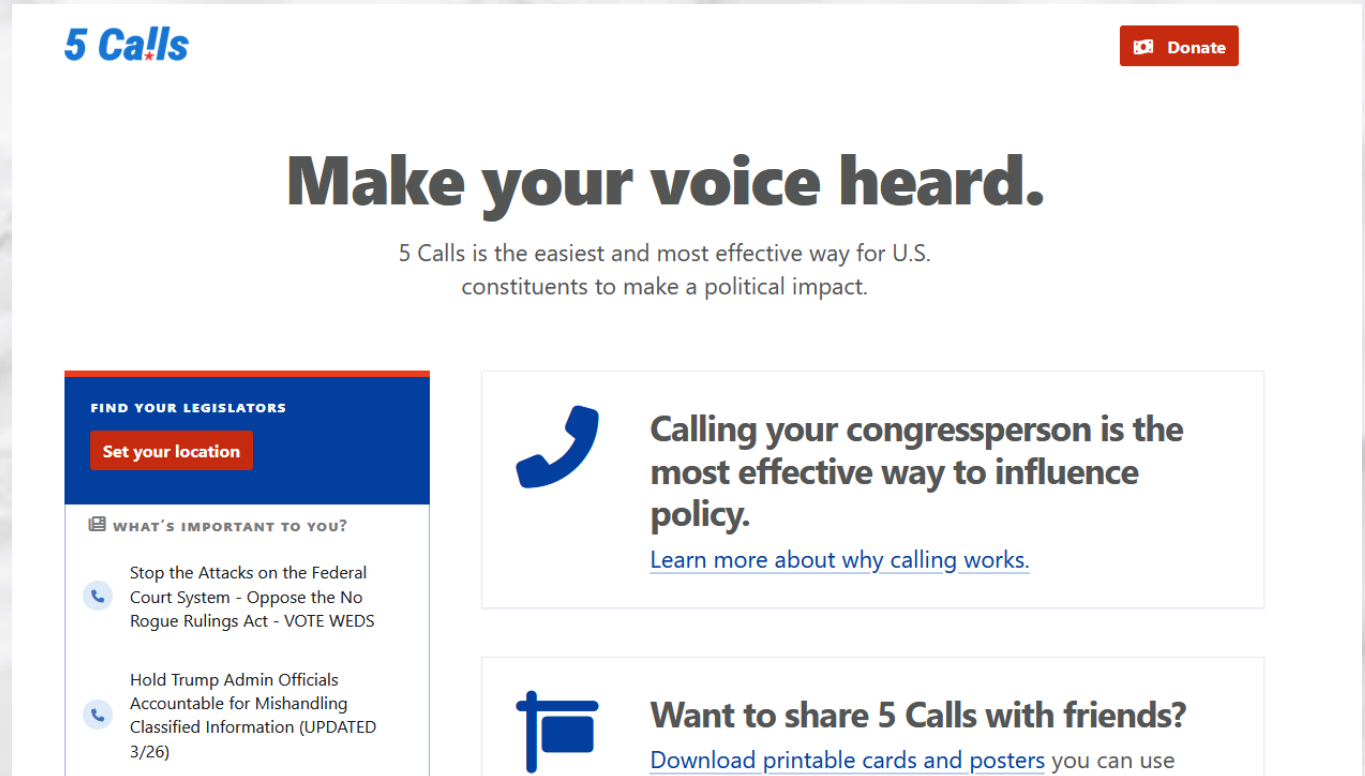
Official	Action
Jackson County Executive, Frank White, Jr.	+
Jackson County Prosecuting Attorney, Jean Peters Baker	+
Jackson County Sheriff, Darryl Forté	+
Jackson County Legislator, Donna Peyton	+
Jackson County Legislator, Jalen Anderson	+
Jackson County Legislator, Megan Marshall	+

Other ways to find elected officials

Step 2: Talk to your representatives

Calling & writing to
your representative
doesn't have to be
hard!

Visit **5calls.org**



The screenshot shows the 5 Calls website. At the top left is the "5 Calls" logo. At the top right is a red "Donate" button. The main heading is "Make your voice heard." followed by the text "5 Calls is the easiest and most effective way for U.S. constituents to make a political impact." Below this, there are three main sections. The first section, "FIND YOUR LEGISLATORS", has a blue header and a red "Set your location" button. Below it, under "WHAT'S IMPORTANT TO YOU?", are two items: "Stop the Attacks on the Federal Court System - Oppose the No Rogue Rulings Act - VOTE WEDS" and "Hold Trump Admin Officials Accountable for Mishandling Classified Information (UPDATED 3/26)". The second section, "Calling your congressperson is the most effective way to influence policy.", features a blue phone icon and a link to "Learn more about why calling works.". The third section, "Want to share 5 Calls with friends?", features a blue flag icon and a link to "Download printable cards and posters you can use".

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FIND YOUR LEGISLATORS

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- Hold Trump Admin Officials Accountable for Mishandling Classified Information (UPDATED 3/26)



Calling your congressperson is the most effective way to influence policy.

[Learn more about why calling works.](#)





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Enter your
address






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Kansas City
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- Urge State Leaders to Reject Trump's Attack on Voting Rights
- Oppose the SAVE Act (H.R. 22) - A Voter Suppression Bill - House Vote NEXT WEEK
- Block the Return of Predatory Bank

Hold Trump Admin Officials Accountable for Mishandling Classified Information (UPDATED 3/26)

Updates

March 26, 2025: The Atlantic has now [released the text messages](#) from the Signal chat, proving that [classified attack plans](#) were indeed shared openly. Trump officials had all denied this, [some while under oath](#) in front of Congress. A lawsuit has also been [filed against Trump officials](#) for potentially breaking record-keeping laws.

On March 24, the editor-in-chief of The Atlantic [reported being accidentally included in a group chat](#), by National Security Advisor Michael Waltz, where [Secretary of Defense Pete Hegseth shared highly sensitive US military strike plans in Yemen two hours before it occurred](#). These discussions involved several top US officials including JD Vance and Marco Rubio, and happened on Signal, a popular chat app whose use for sharing classified information about military actions was

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Trump EO Signed

📞 Oppose Matt Whitaker for NATO Ambassador - Confirmation Vote NEXT WEEK


📞 Save the Institute of Museum & Library Services

📞 Protect Social Security Benefits (UPDATED 3/19)


📞 Fight the Constitutional Crisis (UPDATED 3/16)


📞 Reject Cuts to Medicare and Medicaid to Fund Billionaire Tax Giveaways


📞 Fight Against Elon Musk's/DOGE Government Takeover


 **See all 49 issues**

Contacts for this topic:

 **Emanuel Cleaver (D-MO)**
This is your representative in the House.

 **Josh Hawley (R-MO)**
This is one of your two Senators.

 **Eric Schmitt (R-MO)**
This is one of your two Senators.



Emanuel Cleaver (D-MO)

202-225-4535

Local office numbers:

816-833-4545 - Independence, MO


816-842-4545 - Kansas City, MO


Hi, my name is **[NAME]** and I'm a constituent from Kansas City.


I'm calling to today because I'm shocked and outraged over the incompetent and careless use of a commercial app to discuss highly-classified military operations by Trump administration officials.


I ask that Rep. Emanuel Cleaver...

Step 2: Talk to your representatives

 Find Your Senator ▾

 VIEW RECENT SENATE FLOOR ACTIVITY


UNITED STATES SENATE



SENATORS COMMITTEES LEGISLATION & RECORDS ART & ARTIFACTS ABOUT THE SENATE

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History

About the Committee System

Due to the high volume and complexity of its work, the Senate divides its tasks among 20 permanent committees, 4 joint committees, and occasionally temporary committees.

[More...](#)

Have a Question about Senate Committees?

Frequently Asked Questions about

Committees





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119th Congress Committees

Show 25 ▾ entries

Committee	Chair	Ranking Member
 Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry	Boozman, John (R-AR)	Klobuchar, Amy (D-MN)
 Appropriations	Collins, Susan M. (R-ME)	Murray, Patty (D-WA)
 Armed Services	Wicker, Roger F. (R-MS)	Reed, Jack (D-RI)
 Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs	Cortez-Masto, Tim (D-NV)	Warren, Elizabeth (D-MA)

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Example: Judiciary Committee

If you are angry about attacks on judges and lawyers, there are **22** senators you can call

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	+ Indian Affairs	Murkowski, Lisa (R-AK)	Schatz, Brian (D-HI)*
	+ Joint Committee on Printing	McConnell, Mitch (R-KY)	--
	+ Joint Committee on Taxation	Crapo, Mike (R-ID) *	--
	+ Joint Committee on the Library	McConnell, Mitch (R-KY) *	
officially ate Caucus ontrol	+ Joint Economic Committee	Schmitt, Eric (R-MO) *	Hassan, Margaret Wood (D-NH)
	- Judiciary	Grassley, Chuck (R-IA)	Durbin, Richard J. (D-IL)
	Total Members 22 (Committee Member List)		
	Subcommittees:		
	o Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy, and Consumer Rights		
	o Subcommittee on Border Security and Immigration		
	o Subcommittee on Crime and Counterterrorism		
	o Subcommittee on Federal Courts, Oversight, Agency Action, and Federal Rights		
	o Subcommittee on Intellectual Property		
	o Subcommittee on Privacy, Technology, and the Law		
	o Subcommittee on the Constitution		
Committees research the om the sses.	+ Rules and Administration	McConnell, Mitch (R-KY)	Padilla, Alex (D-CA)
	+ Select Committee on Ethics	Lankford, James (R-OK)	Coons, Christopher A. (D-DE)*
	+ Select Committee on Intelligence	Cotton, Tom (R-AR)	Warner, Mark R. (D-VA)*

Tips

Do...

- **Introduce yourself & where you are from**
- **Research their record**
- **Be friendly, respectful, brief, & specific**
- **Leave printed information behind if meeting in person**

Don't...

- **Get discouraged if the representative isn't available- talk to a staffer**
- **Be hyperbolic, sarcastic, or argumentative**

What to do when they won't talk

Empty chair town halls

[https://indivisible.org/
resource/missing-
members-congress-
action-plan](https://indivisible.org/resource/missing-members-congress-action-plan)



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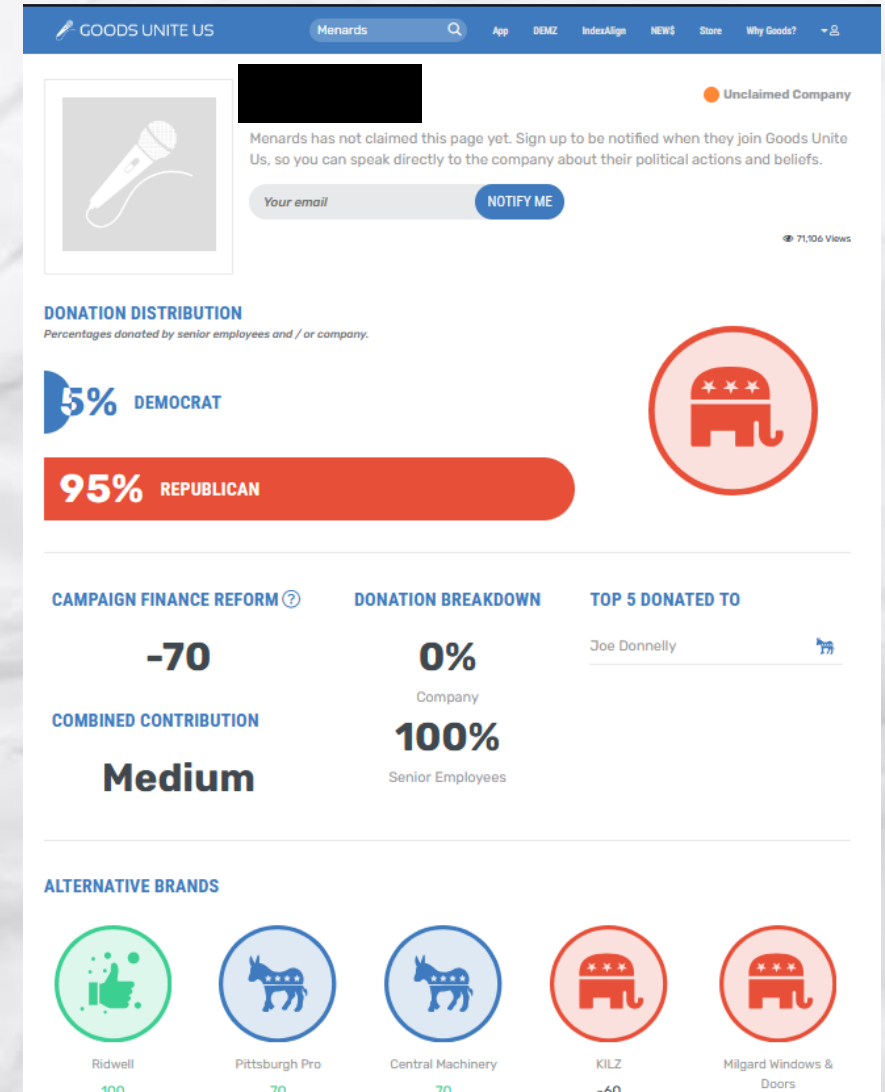
How to show power with your spending

Money talks

- **Boycott companies that don't align with your values & buy from companies that do**
- **Buy gear (such as t-shirts, hats, yard signs, and buttons) that promotes your policy message.**
- **Financially support groups that are working to
SAVE DEMOCRACY**

Money talks

- OpenSecrets.org
- GoodsUniteUs.com
- Shows distribution of their political donations and suggests alternative brands



Protest with your money

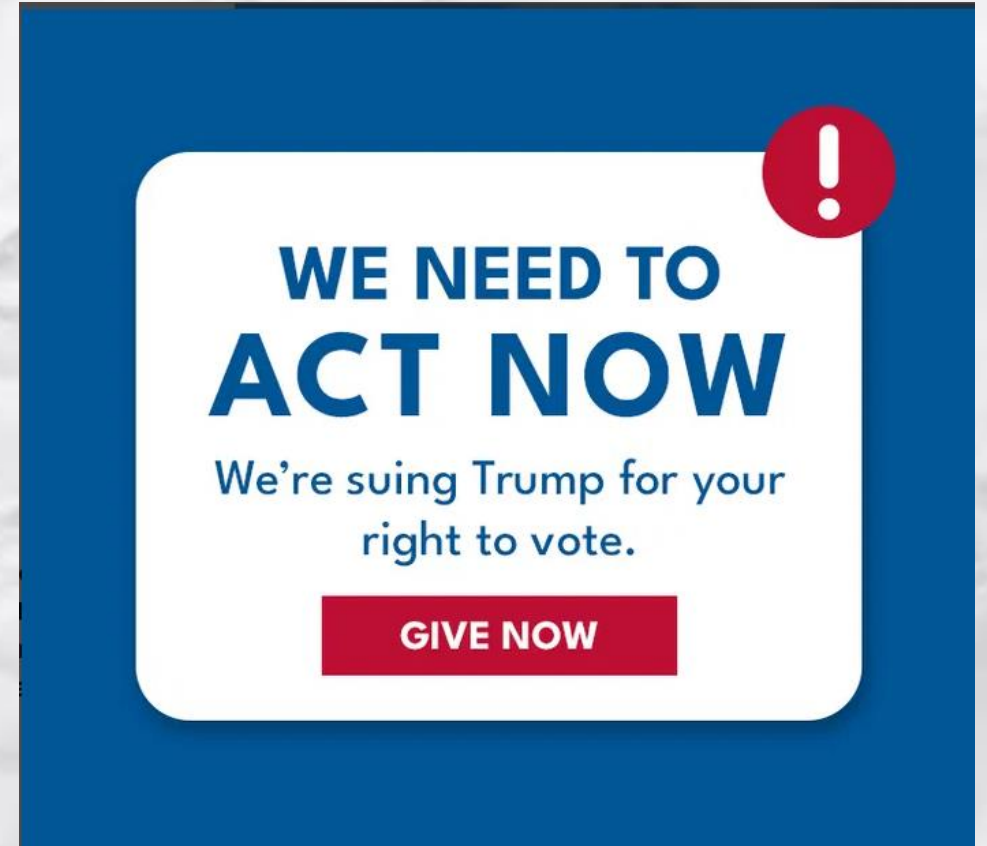
- Spend less at big retailers in general
- Buy local/ shop small
- Example: Resistance Garden



Donate to others who can fight!

- **ACLU**
- **League of Women Voters**
- **Planned Parenthood**
- **Local campaigns**

**The fight for our
Constitution is happening
in the courts. Help them
fight and win!**





Hands Off!

Our Free Press

How to share your story

Tell your Story!

- **You are an expert in SOMETHING**
- **Your life/ family/ business is affected in some way**
- **A picture is worth 1,000 words**

**Journalists seek out real stories from real people.
Reach out to them so they don't have to look for
you! **Your story is worth telling.****

Speak out as an organization

- We are all part of SOME group
 - Club, Union, Church, etc.
- Voices from groups are powerful
- Safety in numbers
- Tell how your members will be affected by a bad new policy

**A person has
opinions;
People have
Power**

Speak out as an organization

Many organizations are non-partisan. That's fine! They can still speak out for right & wrong. And they can (AND SHOULD) explain how bad policies will affect their members.

Focus on the policy, not the politics or party

Speak out as an organization

Example: American Bar Association (ABA)

March 03, 2025 FROM THE AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION

The ABA rejects efforts to undermine the courts and the legal profession

Share:



Three weeks ago, the American Bar Association spoke to you about values that guide us. We called upon every lawyer to insist that the government adhere to four major principles of law that have guided our country for over 200 years: Defending Judges and Courts, Acknowledging the Role of the Courts, Adhering to the Rule of Law, and Respecting the Separation of Powers and the three co-equal branches of government with distinct duties and responsibilities. These principles have been bedrocks of American democracy. The ABA does not shrink from standing in support of each of them.

“We may disagree with interpretation of case law, but it is unacceptable to personally target judges just because we disagree with their ruling. We cannot have a judicial system where the government seeks to remove judges simply because they do not rule as the government desires. Considering the increasing physical threats to judges, these are clearly efforts to intimidate judges and our courts.”

Speak out as an organization

Example: United Auto Workers (UAW)

UAW president: ‘Deplorable’ that Trump stripped union rights for federal workers

by Lauren Irwin, March 30, 2025 / 11:54 AM ET / The Hill

UAW president Shawn Fain says "tariffs are a tool in the toolbox" in helping auto workers

By Kaia Hubbard, March 30, 2025 / 10:54 AM ET / CBS News

2 examples from the same day: one favorable and one unfavorable

Take-away: You don't have to be anti-Trump to speak out about how his policies are hurting your organization or what it stands for.

Provide fact-checking for journalists

- **Was that number way wrong?**
- **Was that “fact” complete BS?**
- **Did you hear something misleading?**

Use your expertise!

Spread the word through media

- Letters to the Editor or Op-eds
- Tell your story!
- Focus on a specific issue
- Keep it short
- Social media


We need a return to civil discourse. Follow in the great tradition of Thomas Paine, Thomas Jefferson, & Benjamin Franklin.

WRITE.

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Hands Off! **Our Elections**

This is how we win

The next election is **Tuesday, April 8!**

- **Our electoral system and our Constitution must be protected.**
- **If you really want things to change, you must vote.**
- **Local elections matter!**



Volunteer for campaigns

- **It's not just about national elections!**
- **Special elections, midterms, and local races matter too!**
- **Phone-banking**
- **Door-knocking**



Volunteer with a political party

- **Democracy happens amongst diverse groups, and no one political party owns it.**
- **INDIVISIBLE is non-partisan, but you have to vote for someone**
- **Most local political offices are run by volunteers, and they need help. If there's a candidate who represents the future you want, work with them!**

Volunteer to be an election worker

- **There is always a need, but now more than ever:**
 - **Burn-out**
 - **Bullying by MAGA**
- **Rules require equal numbers of Republicans and Democrats to be poll workers**
- **Go to your county elections office website to find out how to get trained**

Sign up for legislative updates

How can you fight a bad bill if you don't know about it?

Kansas

- **LoudLight.org**
- **Kansas Reflector**
- **ACLU Kansas**
- ***To the Contrary* (Charlie Sykes, Substack)**

Missouri

- **Abortion Action**
- **ACLU Missouri**
- **Others?**

Be a local leader in your community

- Go to www.UnitedWe.org to get connected
- Or ask a group you are passionate/
knowledgeable about if they have leadership
vacancies
- Democracy happens at all levels, so get involved!



Hands Off! Our Free Speech

**How to protest, march, & (peacefully)
fight back**

Find (or promote) local protests

Go to:

www.indivisiblekansascity.org

and click on
Events Calendar

indivisiblekansascity.org/events-calendar

TAKE ACTION **EVENTS CALENDAR** WHO TO CALL WORKING FOR US DONATE GOOD STUFF

EVENTS CALENDAR

Today < > March 2025 Month

SUN 23	MON 24	TUE 25	WED 26	THU 27	FRI 28	SAT Mar 1
2	3	4 • 12pm Rally 505C	5 • 4:30pm Rally Jo	6 • 1:30pm Rally 40	7	8 • 10am Rally w/AF • 12pm Tesla Take • 4pm KC Protest
9 • 12pm Freedom f	10 • 3pm Tesla Prote	11 • 3pm Tesla Prote	12 • 3pm Tesla Prote • 4:30pm Rally Jo	13 • 1:30pm Rally 40 • 3pm Tesla Prote	14 • 12pm Veterans I • 3pm CANCELED	15 • 9:30am Job Fair • 10am Democrat 3 more
16 • 12pm Protest at	17 • 3pm Tesla Prote	18 • 3pm Tesla Prote	19 • 11:30am Derek S • 3pm Tesla Prote • 4:30pm Rally Jo	20 • 3pm Tesla Prote	21 • 3pm Tesla Prote	22 • 10am Do Somet • 12pm Tesla Take • 1:30pm Empty C
23 • 2pm Rally to SA	24 • 3pm Tesla Prote • 6pm Sam Grave	25 • 3pm Tesla Prote	26 • 3pm Tesla Prote • 4:30pm Rally Jo	27 • 3pm Tesla Prote	28 • 3pm Tesla Prote	29 • 10am MARCH TI • 12pm Tesla Take
30	31 • 3pm Tesla Prote	Apr 1 • 3pm Tesla Prote	2 • 3pm Tesla Prote • 4:30pm Rally Jo	3 • 3pm Tesla Prote	4 • 3pm Tesla Prote	5 • 10am HANDS O • 12pm Tesla Take

What to expect

- Bring a sign, be creative!
- Bring water and snacks
- Usually, the atmosphere is jovial. Bring friends and make a day of it!
- Don't engage with hecklers



The image features a central red shape with a torn, irregular edge, resembling a piece of paper cut out of a larger sheet. This red shape is set against a background of white, crumpled paper. The text is positioned within the red area.

What's Next?

Join us!

Shameless plug for donations....

We use money for...

- ***Meeting locations***
- **Maintaining a website**
- **Printing handouts**
- **Email accounts**



Volunteers Needed

- **Communications & social media**
- **Fundraising**
- **Admin support**
- **IT/ web design**
- **Photography/ Videos**



Make sure you get our emails!

- **Add to your contacts:**
 - Kansascity@indivisiblegroups.org
 - **info@Indivisiblekansascity.org**
- **Check your SPAM and promotions folders**
- **Go to indivisiblekansascity.org, NOT indivisiblekc.org**
 - **The latter is the group that was here in 2017**

Join us at our next event

- **Networking for Democracy**
- **Saturday, April 26**
- **10am-Noon**
- **IBEW (Near 435 & State Line)**



<https://tinyurl.com/2p8fxr3s>

***“Do not get lost in a sea of despair.
Do not become bitter or hostile.
Be hopeful; be optimistic. Never,
ever be afraid to make some noise
and get in *good trouble.*”***

John Lewis

Late US Representative & Civil Rights icon

