Project 2025

First and foremost,. Trump is now trying to distance himself from this Transition Document because it is clearly very unpopular. Don't let him and don't believe him for a minute.

Trump's closest political advisors are authors of Project 2025 and most signatories are right wing Christian groups that he has supported and endorsed and who support him.

We ALL MUST be aware of the governmental transition that Project 2025 sets out and warn others what will happen if Trump gets a second term.

Once you are familiar with it, you will understand WHY YOU MUST get involved to prevent Trump from ever seeing the inside of the Oval office.

So here's the synopsis, with a link at the end to the full 900 plus page document, just in case it rains the entire month of July.

HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ **Abortion will essentially be banned nationwide,** with limited access to IVF, abortion pills and CONTRACEPTION. CDC will track women's periods.
- ✓ Elimination of no fault divorce (helping to keep women in abusive marriages).
- ✓ The DOJ will no longer be independent and Trump will be free to order prosecution of
 his political opponents. The FBI and Homeland Security will be disempowered. Funds
 will be diverted from tracking foreign surveillance. Leaving us vulnerable to foreign
 influence in elections.
- ✓ The Department of Education will be eliminated; public funds will be used to pay religious schools and denied to schools that REQUIRE vaccinations. This allows for a religious state, where abortion and gay marriage are condemned and anti science theories on evolution and climate are promoted.
- ✓ The Insurrection Act will be used to shut down protests and deploy the National Guard for partisan reasons. So goodbye free speech.
- ✔ Power will be concentrated in a strong and IMMUNE president- and maintaining or restoring a Democratic state will be a herculean task.
- **✓** Elimination of unions and work place protections.
- ✔ Recognition of only "traditional marriage" between a man and a woman.
- ✓ Dismantling of civil rights protections.

- ✓ Continuing to pack the court with right wing extremists. Think of where we are now and where that puts the future of America.
- ✓ The FAA, FCC, FDA, and EPA will be disempowered.* Think of no one regulating the airlines?! What would that mean for safety? And no food inspections? Internet providers will be free to block postings and cause traffic jams- controlling the disbursement of information. No EPA-will mean no regulation on water pollution (If you live in Ridgewood, you know we have carcinogens in our water that our supplier is required by law to remove- imagine if they were not). This will cut the legs out from under clean energy and promote the oil and gas industry..
 - *You may know alot of people who are anti-administrative state, but ask them to consider the above and other unregulated industries, like the Insurance industry (which is already out of control) and credit card companies (whose rates are already usourious- at 34 %)
- ✔ Elimination of social security for the elderly and disabled.
- **✔** Banning of books and curriculum on African American and gender studies.
- ✓ Banning Muslims from entering the country.
- ✔ Promotion of capital punishment
- ✓ Massive deportation of immigrants. (Besides the inhumanity of this approach, it leaves America without workers necessary to keep the economy going)
- ✓ Tax cuts for the top 1% and corporations. Leaving the middle class and working class to foot the bill for the basic services taxes pay for (roads, water, police, fireman, homeland security, the military, social programs, etc)

READ ON FOR THE DETAILS

"Project 2025 is the brainchild of a conservative think tank called the <u>Heritage Foundation</u>. The foundation is collaborating with at least 80 other conservative groups to spearhead an effort to "rescue the country from the grip of the radical left," with a "governing agenda and the right people in place, ready to carry this agenda out on day one of the next conservative administration," according to the Project 2025 <u>website</u>." (The Week)

It consists of four doctrines which provide for a massive expansion of presidential power over the entire government, to be implemented during the first six months of the new presidency:

To "restore the family as the centerpiece of American life and protect our children"

- To "dismantle the administrative state and return self-governance to the American people."
- To "defend our nation's sovereignty, borders, and bounty against global threats."
- ❖ To "secure our God-given individual rights to live freely what our Constitution calls 'the Blessings of Liberty.'"

The plan would also seek to fill the government with Trump loyalists by "scouring records and social media accounts to rule out heretics — effectively administering loyalty tests — and launching a so-called Presidential Administration Academy that tutors future MAGA bureaucrats," Politico said. This would ensure that "what remains of this slashed-down bureaucracy is reliably MAGA conservative — not just for the next president but for a long time to come — and that the White House maintains total control of it."

Using these powers as a baseline, Project 2025 presents a "Christian nationalist vision of the United States, one in which married heterosexuality is the only valid form of sexual expression and identity; all pregnancies would be carried to term, even if that requires coercion or death; and transgender and gender-nonconforming people do not exist," The New Republic said. (The Week)

Abortion

"the plan lays out... plans to leverage virtually every arm, tool and agency of the federal government to attack abortion access. The document explicitly names their intention not just to rescind FDA approval for the abortion pill,... but to revive a 150-year-old law that criminalizes sending or receiving through the mail any "article, instrument, substance, drug, medicine or thing" that could be used to facilitate an abortion. That law, the Comstock Act, is viewed as a de facto federal abortion ban by reproductive rights advocates and anti-abortion activists alike.

There are proposals to eliminate the morning-after pill from the Affordable Care Act's contraceptive mandate under the rationale that it is a "potential abortifacient"; to revoke a Biden-era rule that allows members of the military and their dependents who are stationed in states with abortion bans to seek medical care in other states; to prohibit Planned Parenthood from receiving Medicaid funds; to punish states that require insurance to cover abortion; and to end the requirement that hospitals provide medically necessary abortions under the Emergency Medical Treatment and Active Labor Act and, separately, use the law to "investigate" hospitals and doctors who provide abortions. (Rolling Stone)

Government

Concerning the **DOJ**, "There's a "top to bottom overhaul" of the Department of Justice, particularly curbing its independence and ending FBI efforts to combat the spread of misinformation. It calls for stepped-up prosecution of anyone providing or distributing abortion pills by mail." (PBS)

"In practice, that would streamline decision-making, allowing the president to directly implement policies in a number of areas.

The proposals also call for eliminating job protections for thousands of government-employees, who could then be replaced by political appointees.

The document labels the FBI a "bloated, arrogant, increasingly lawless organization" and calls for drastic overhauls of this and other federal agencies, including eliminating the Department of Education.

Immigration

Increased funding for a wall on the US-Mexico border – one of Trump's signature proposals in 2016 - is proposed in the document...

Climate and Economy

The document proposes slashing federal money for research and investment in renewable energy, and calls for the next president to "stop the war on oil and natural gas".

Carbon-reduction goals would be replaced by efforts to increase energy production and security.

But the economic advisers suggest that a second Trump administration should slash corporate and income taxes, abolish the Federal Reserve and even consider a return to gold-backed currency.

Tech and education

...The document calls for school choice and parental control over schools, and takes aim at what it calls "woke propaganda".

It proposes to eliminate a long list of terms from all laws and federal regulations, including "sexual orientation", "diversity, equity, and inclusion", "gender equality", "abortion" and "reproductive rights"." (BBC)

In summary, Project 2025 is a threat to America's democracy and is not to be taken lightly! We MUST come together to support President Biden and other Democrats in November.

And as promised, here's July's light reading of the full copy:

920-page outline

NOTE: In light of Trump's VP announcement we wanted to add a short note on Vance. A smart, white man who relishes the spotlight and has a smooth demeanor who is ANTI CHOICE, ANTI GAY MARRIAGE, and so pro Traditional Family that **he believes women should stay in abustive marriages**. Look for a separate email on JD shortly. Warn everyone.

Onward and Upward,	Nancy, Cathy and your JOLT TEAM