

Hello Nob Hill Indivisibles,

Don't know about you, but I'm feelin' it... the Indivisible movement is getting to category 5 level.



Let's show who's the storm now!!!

Need some motivation, news is that Trump's net approval rating have sunk in every battleground state, but whoa, not the case – yet – in NM!! “In addition to the key purple states — Michigan, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin — that both sides recognize as targets, the **Trump campaign has its sights set on** Minnesota, Nevada, New Hampshire and **New Mexico**, all states Trump lost in 2016. To read more click [here](#).

Need some inspiration, check out this [interview with Rachel Bitecofer](#). Bitecofer is an academic statistician whose political forecasting model was among the most accurate in the business in 2018. And now **she has a message about how to win 2020. To sum it up: when we fight, we win.** She finds that Democrats don't serve themselves by playing gently with Trump. She argues they'll do best in the 2020 by generating energy and turnout among their base!

**Reminder: there will be no meeting next Monday, Sept 2, Happy Labor day...ENJOY, REST, REINVIGORATE and get ready to whip into action!!!!**

**But hope to see ya the next week Monday, Sept 9, when our speaker will be NM Sen Jacob Candelaria; come prepared with pointed questions!**

**In the meantime, do this:**

## **Actions**

### **Local Actions**

**1. Walmart and guns.** Well, seems there's conflicting input, so just means **go ahead and do it!** A few weeks ago, I posted an action to drop a letter off at your closest Walmart Store (or many) asking them to stop selling firearms. But then several of you said NM Walmart's had stopped selling guns. Then member Dee Ivey told us she went to the Carlisle store and they told her they've just stopped selling handguns, not rifles and automatics. But Friday, I went by the Coors Superstore with Jihny, see below, to deliver a letter...and the Manager told me empathically (and with a BIG smile), that she had shipped out ALL her guns in July, gone, saying that was the case for all NM stores. But, she said she would gladly pass on our **letter to the HQ marketing dept, cuz Walmart was evaluating their gun policy nationally.** So, go ahead and do it! Move-on and the March for our Lives kids have created a step-by-step guide including a draft letter, click [here](#). To find a Walmart near you, click [here](#).



**2. The City of Albuquerque is looking for residents who are willing to step up and serve the community.** One of those opportunities is **servicing on a City Board or Commission.** Positions that are currently open on the following boards and committees: Affordable Housing Committee; Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council; Biological Park Board; Central Avenue Business Advisory Board; Early Head Start Program Governance Advisory Committee; Fire Code Board of Appeals; Greater ABQ Recreational Trails Committee; Housing Advisory and Appeals Committee; Older Americans Act Advisory Council; Para Transit Advisory Board; Senior Affairs Advisory Council; Technical Codes Board of Appeals; Veterans and Military Affairs Advisory Board; and the Mayor's Youth Advisory Council. For more info, click [here](#).

**3. Want to join the INH Board?** We'd love to have your energy!!! If you are willing to serve, please contact our Nominating Committee Members by Friday, October 11th. Their contact info is: Dee Ivy - (505) 504-0801/deecharlie@msn.com, Willie Orr - (505) 974-1288/willieorr1@msn.com, Tiffany Stevens - (832) 454-3415/tiffer.360.12@gmail.com

#### **Keep yourself in-the-know on local news...**

- Retake Our Democracy blog is an excellent source for what's going in in NM politics, to read it click [here](#).
- Follow the BernCo Democratic Party actions and events, click [here](#) to read the latest Li'l Blue.

***Please consider supporting INH, a little goes a long way!***



#### **National Actions**

To reach your MoCs, click [here](#).

1. Trump's "gag rule" means that **Planned Parenthood and other clinics will no longer have access to Title X Funds.** Even scarier? Guess who's now receiving those funds? Since 2014, the **Obria Group, a California nonprofit has been masquerading as a healthcare group, and has begun expanding its network of fake, anti-abortion centers** to become a national chain. These Obria "health centers" are created to confuse and manipulate pregnant women with the goal of preventing them from learning about or accessing abortion services. Not only do their "clinics" give false info about abortion, but they also REFUSE to provide evidence-based contraceptive choices to their patients, including oral contraceptives, IUDs, or condoms - the very tools that help prevent unplanned pregnancy and abortion! **And who's funding Obria? We are! In 2019, the U.S.**

**Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) awarded \$1.7 million to Obria** in Title X funding and an additional \$1.7 million for each of the grant's subsequent two years. Tell our MoCs to stop HHS from awarding family planning funds to Obria and other anti-abortion, anti-birth control centers.

**2. Only ONE more State is needed to ratify the ERA.** Help the ERA get ratified by helping the effort in Virginia where state legislators suggest that policymakers may be especially motivated to ratify the Amendment on their off-year election November 5, 2019. At the end of the fight for ratification of the 19th Amendment, the movement had 2 million members and 1 million active volunteers (out of a population of 106 million). The main means of communication were mail, telegraph, newspapers and, a new technology, radio. Yet, they won the vote! Now we are 329 million with access to communication across a myriad of platforms, **we can get women into the Constitution.** But only with your help. **Speak with family or friends there, go there to help canvass and lobby, send \$\$\$, spread the word on whatever platforms you have, and educate people around you.** To learn more about ERA and what is going on now, click [here](#).

#### **And here's some other national news...**

Last week, the Department of Homeland Security issued a final rule effectively giving Immigration and Customs Enforcement authority to detain migrant children in secure facilities—aka jail-like - indefinitely. To read more, click [here](#).

Senate candidate Amy McGrath blasts Mitch McConnell in new campaign ad; it comes as miners in Kentucky continue to block a train loaded with coal over unpaid wages. To read more (and watch her awesome campaign video), click [here](#). Want to support Ms. McGrath, click [here](#). Find her on Facebook, click [here](#).

Given the immediacy of the climate crisis, it has been heartening to see the UN IPCC report on Climate and Land. The terms "desertification" and "urban" are highlighted on the attached summary report. Please take a look, and share with other policy makers, planners and land stewards to encourage the use of this data to strengthen much needed responses. For the full report, click [here](#).

#### **Events**

##### ***On-Going***

**First Tuesday of every month, 12 noon: *Resist Tyranny Tuesdays*.** Sponsored by Moveon.Org and Indivisible, Simms Building at 400 Gold Ave SW.

##### ***September***

**Mon, Sept 2, 11:00 am – 2:00 pm: *Central New Mexico Labor Council 11th Annual Labor Day Picnic*.** Free hot dogs and hamburgers will be served!

**Tues. Sept 3, 6:30 – 8:30pm: *Retake the NM State*.** Join Retake our Democracy's movement to oust our DINO's, Center for Progress & Justice, 1420 Cerrillos, Santa Fe.

**Sept 6, 6:00 – 9:00 pm and Sept 7, 9:00 am – 5:00 pm: *NM Rising Film Festival*.** 1st Lady Elizabeth Keller and Sustainability Officer Kelsey Rader will discuss what the city of Albuquerque is doing to combat climate disruption and to promote sustainable practices. UNM Continuing Education Center, 1634 University Blvd. NE 87102. For more info, click [here](#).

**Thurs/Fri, Sept 19th and 20, *MSNBC Presidential Climate forum watch party*.** Hosted by INH at Kelly's brewpub, 3222 Central Ave SE, Albuquerque. For more info, click [here](#).

**Fri, Sept 20, 12:30 – 5 pm: ABQ Climate Student Strike.** Street fair with interactive activities, theatre performances and music. Robinson Park at Tijeras and 3<sup>rd</sup>, downtown ABQ. For more info and to let them know you're coming, click [here](#).

**Sun, Sept. 22, Fracking Reality Tour in the Greater Chaco region led by Daniel Tso, 2<sup>nd</sup> date (see actions above to sign-up).** To carpool, meet at 7am at the Counselor Chapter House off of Hwy 550.

### Upcoming

**October 2, 8:30am-12:30pm: eXchange '19 Carbon Solutions Summit.** Hosted by Climate XChange an invitation-only, free-of-charge event as an opportunity to cross-pollinate on the political strengths of market-based emissions reduction policy, and the pivotal role it can play in a just and equitable energy transition. Warehouse21, 1614 Paseo de Peralta, Santa Fe, NM. To RSVP, click [here](#).

**Nov. 5, 7 a.m. – 7 p.m: Albuquerque City Election Day** (October 8 – Absentee ballots mailed, October 19 – Early Voting Begins (voting locations coming soon)

And here's my test to see if you've read this to the end, send me a laugh if you did!!



And lastly, may we rest in peace that this one is gone:



Weekly actions checklist:

- \_\_\_ Give a letter to Walmart, tell them to stop selling guns
- \_\_\_ Tell our MoCs to not fund HHS and Obria
- \_\_\_ Help the ERA get ratified in Virginia

\_\_\_ Have a happy Labor Day!!!

In solidarity,  
Melora – INH Outreach Coordinator