DEFENDER

“In This Together” MeetUp

Planned Parenthood Action Fund
Welcome!

• Round of introductions

• Let Planned Parenthood Action Fund know that we’re meeting
  – Take out your phones and text "MEETUP" to 22422 so we can see how many people are getting involved. You’ll be added to the PP Action mobile network!

• Icebreaker:
  – What’s one thing the Trump administration has done that’s made you laugh?
Agenda for today

• What we’re up against
• What brought us all here
• What we’re gonna do about it
• Wrap-up
What we’re up against
And how we can win
Issue: Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA)

- Trump announced a plan to end DACA — an attack on immigrant families that will leave 800,000 young people at risk of deportation or detention.

- DACA has helped many young DREAMers access health care, get driver's licenses, receive an education, and work.
Issue: Budget Fight

- Congress is back to work, and its new budget threatens funding to Planned Parenthood.
- In the same budget, the House included some harmful measures for global health, including codifying the expanded global gag rule.
Issue: Birth Control

- The Trump administration could soon undermine the Affordable Care Act's requirement that all insurance plans must cover no-copay birth control.
- This would strip birth control access from 57 million women.
- Better access to no-copay birth control has brought unintended pregnancy rates, both overall and among teens, to the lowest they've been in decades.
Let’s talk

• What brought you here today?

• How are you coping when this toxic political environment is overwhelming?

• Which fight feels the most personally urgent for you?
What are we gonna do about it?
Make a plan to talk to our neighbors

• As Planned Parenthood Defenders, we refuse to allow Trump to define our communities and our country.

• With attacks on communities of color on the rise and white supremacists becoming more visible, it’s more important than ever that we speak out.

• That’s why Defenders are reaching out to neighbors to talk about what kind of community we want to build.

• In moments of crisis, people come together and help each other. We’ll be asking our neighbors to sign up to show up and fight when they are needed.
Preparing for knocking on doors

• Let’s plan to meet up and knock on doors within the next week. We can divvy up the neighborhood streets and go door-to-door to engage our neighbors about building the community we want.

• Our goal is for each one of us to have 10 new conversations with our neighbors.

• Planned Parenthood will send a suggested conversation guide and all other materials we need to have great conversations.

• Now, let’s pick a date and time!
Door Knocking Tips

• Always canvass in pairs and practice with each other before you go door knocking!
• Try not to spend too much time in one conversation – reach as many people as you can.
• Don’t waste your time with people who disagree – feel free to move on.
• If you feel unsafe, skip the house/apartment and go to the next one.
What to Expect:

- On average, people knock on 15 doors per hour and talk to 2-5 people.
- It’s best to canvass in the early evening when people are home from work or on the weekends.
- Some people might have very different political opinions than you do – that’s okay, just thank them for their time and move on.
Wrap-up

• Great work today, folks! We are the resistance!

• Don’t forget to mark on your calendar the date and time for the neighborhood door knocking...and bring at least one friend.

• Planned Parenthood Action Fund will be in touch in a few days with more details and materials. We’re so excited folks across the country are stepping up to take real action in our communities.
That’s all! Now, let’s show the world our activism:

Take a selfie and post it on social media with #IStandWithPP