



A newsletter to empower us
to make change in this chaotic political environment.

Thursday, September 25, 2025

Words That Matter



[Watch our Words That Matter video](#) from Saturday, September 20! *Thanks to Sarah B for this video!*

We are in the news!

[See our clip on the local CBS channel.](#)

[See the We-Ha article about Words That Matter.](#)

Thanks to all who participated!

Post this video to your social media accounts.

Here are a couple of text blurbs and hashtags you can use to accompany the video:

This is the sound of truth echoing through Hartford. From “Clean Water” to “Social Justice” to “Measles,” to “Affordable Housing.” These are the Words That Matter. Democracy thrives on words.

#WordsThatMatter #SignSquad #WokeAndProud #ProWo

Our government is scrubbing hundreds of essential words. ProWo is reclaiming the banned, defending democracy. We’re not whispering. We’re making noise.

#WordsThatMatter #SignSquad #FreedomOfSpeech #HartfordActivism

Or email the link and a short blurb along with the suggested hashtags to friends, relatives, and especially to the younger people in your life and ask them to post it to THEIR social media accounts. The point is to SHARE the video with blurbs and hashtags so it circulates widely.



**Sign up for Words That Matter.
Sign Squad or Supporter.
Your Choice.**

We are now TV stars (LOL) so if you want to be in on the action, [Sign up Here](#)

Thanks to Tammi for setting this up this on Sign Up Genius!

We need LOTS of ProWo Supporters at each event.
You can sign up to join the Sign Squad, or you can sign up just as a
Supporter. We need lots of both!

ProWo General Meeting

Our next Words That Matter action will take place on

Saturday, October 4

Blue Back Square, West Hartford (by Barnes & Noble).
It starts at 12 noon. (Participants in WTM should arrive at 11:30am).

Following the action, we invite all of ProWo to join us for a general
meeting.

The agenda will include:

- Meet and greet each other

- Our plans for the No Kings Day 2 on Saturday, October 18, 2025 at the State Capitol in Hartford, including our Words That Matter action and safety and security tips.

- Jillian Gilchrest, who is State Rep. for the 18th district, and is running for US Representative for the first Congressional District, is planning on joining us. This will be your chance to ask her your questions about either

the next CT Legislative session (this fall and next year) or her priorities as US Representative.

Power Hour



Power Hour!

Tuesday, September 30, 11am
in Simsbury (and every Tuesday)

Can't get anything done at home? Well, come to Kirsten's home for one hour. You will be able to focus and get something meaningful done! Kids are welcome.

Immigrant Support



Keep Making Calls

Keep calling the Governor, Senate President Looney, and Speaker of the House Ritter for meaningful legislative action during the special session this fall to protect immigrants in CT.

Husky 4 Immigrants (and also Hartford Deportation Defense) wants to inundate the state leaders with hundreds of phone calls (300-500). They are asking us to call each Wednesday, (or whenever you can) until November 1.

Governor Lamont: 202-640-5612

Speaker Ritter: 888-343-2060

Senator Looney: 888-726-3132

Please note, these are patch-through phone numbers that will allow us and our allies to track the number of calls placed. That's why they don't have CT area codes. But don't worry, these numbers will directly and immediately connect you to the respective offices. Using these will allow us to track our people power.

[GHIAA has the script here.](#)

Thanks to all of you who made calls. You can keep calling through October!

Three Easy and Doable Ways to Resist!



Order a lawn sign for the No Kings 2 rally and help get the word out!

Details:

Wendy S. will be producing lawn signs as she did for No Kings 1.
(Thanks, Wendy!)

o Cost: max. \$16 (could be less if many people are interested)

o Contact Wendy with the number of signs you'd like at indivisiblectsigns@gmail.com by **noon on Tuesday (Sep 30)**.

o They could be ready for pickup by the weekend of Oct 4.

o Wendy will schedule some blocks of time for pickup (in West Hartford)

Wear a Paperclip

E. Jean Carroll is suggesting we wear a paperclip as a sign of resistance. Norwegian teachers and students wore paper clips to signal their opposition to Nazi occupation. It can be a subtle signal of support for people who need that right now. It can be a conversation starter. And it can connect us with others as a sign of solidarity.



Become a "Truth Fairy"

Make your own, they fit in a pocket, leave a trail of them wherever you
Thanks to Hap J. from Indivisible CT



Confronting the New Global Authoritarianism

A conversation with
Yonatan Morse,
Associate Professor of
Political Science at UConn

Tuesday, September 30, 2025, 7pm
in person, in Hartford

[RSVP](#) for the address

I have signed up to go. I would love to go with someone else. Anyone interested? - Jane

As we confront the weakening of democracy here in the United States, many other countries are facing the same anti-democratic pressures. What can we learn about authoritarianism, democratic backsliding, and the rule of law by considering the United States in comparison with other countries? Join us as we talk comparative democracy and dictatorship and then Prof. Morse takes some of your questions.

Organized by IndivisibleCT

Where is Jimmy Kimmel on Channel 8?

OK, everybody, good job on speaking out for freedom of speech by canceling your subscriptions, postponing your Disney vacations, and making ABC/Disne hear your voice. As Senator Chris Murphy said on *The Late Show with Stephen Colbert* (worth watching): " We still have political power and commercial power".

Now let's do Nexstar.

Here are some ideas.

Let me know if you hear of others.

If you catch this on time, there is a protest in New Haven, today, Thursday, September 25, 11:45am.

CT AGAINST MEDIA MONOPOLY & CENSORSHIP

Nexstar is silencing CT. They own WTNH and want to buy up even more stations in our state. **Now they're blocking *Jimmy Kimmel Live!*, limiting what we can see and hear.**

This isn't just about one late-night show. It's about censorship, media consolidation, and the threat to free speech and democracy.

JOIN THE PROTEST

📍 **WTNH, 8 ELM STREET, NEW HAVEN**
📅 **THURSDAY, SEPT. 25, 2025**
🕒 **GATHER AT 11:45 A.M.**
RSVP AT: [BIT.LY/PROTESTWTNH](https://bit.ly/protestwtnh)



Together, we can show that Connecticut won't stand for corporate media monopolies or censorship. Our airwaves belong to the people, not billion-dollar corporations.

Contact Nexstar directly.

Nexstar owns WTNH Channel 8 and WCTX.

MEDIA CONTACT for Nexstar:

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Boycott the stations and their advertisers.

[Check out this document](#) with additional ideas on how to boycott Nexstar and continue to boycott Disney.

[Email your representative to demand that Carr and his corporate collaborators at Nexstar/Sinclair are called before Congress to testify.](#)

We need to ensure they answer, under oath, about what went on in the days surrounding Carr's mafioso threat and Kimmel's removal from the airwaves.

CT REPRESENTATIVES

Joe Courtney 202-225-2076

John Larson 202-225-2265

Jahana Hayes 202-225-4476\

Tick. Tock.

Time is fleeting - where is our Federal budget?

[Use 5.calls.org](#) to call our Senators to demand they oppose any federal budget deal that serves as a blank check for Trump's ongoing abuses of power.

Richard Blumenthal 202-224-2823

Chris Murphy 202-224-4041

Rallies Coming Up

Local Rallies

Our local rallies continue to engage and educate passersby about what we are fighting against. They are being held regularly.

Kudos to everyone who gets out there week after week.

[Some of the rallies and their locations are listed here.](#)



No Kings 2

Our Next BIG rally is on

Saturday, October 18, 12noon to 2pm

Connecticut State Capitol, Hartford

ProWo is attending, and we ask that EVERYONE make plans to attend. We need to LARGE to be effective. We can plan carpools if you let me know you are coming.

Refuse Fascism Protest

Begins Wednesday, November 5

This is the one-year anniversary of Trump's election.

We will be flooding DC in nonviolent protest.

Gail C. is following this for us.

Organizing is now taking place!

[Learn more.](#)

Final Note

We advocated for the confirmation of Commissioner Melissa Gillett of PURA early this year.

She has been bullied out.

Please contact Governor Lamont to let him know your disappointment, and to fill the position with someone who will protect us, not the utility companies.

THE UTILITY BULLIES ARE CELEBRATING **PURA COMMISSIONER GILLETT RESIGNS AS A RESULT OF EXTENDED EVERSOURCE & UNITED ILLUMINATING BULLYING CAMPAIGN**

Read our full statement



[Read Connecticut Citizen Action Group's \(CCAG\) Statement](#)

regarding Commissioner Gillett's Resignation, 9/19/25

[Read Commissioner Gillett's resignation letter.](#)

**Progressive Women of Greater Hartford
West Hartford, CT**

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