

Post Election Resources List

The premise of this document is that there are basic tenets America's constitution guarantees and/or that are in the best interest of all living in America:

- Civil rights, liberty, and freedom for all. Civil rights includes environmental justice and fighting climate change.
- Economic equality and prosperity for all
- Protection of democracy and fighting corruption in politics
- An informed and active population as key to all of the above.

With the exception of climate change and the environment, all of these have been invoked by all sides of the U.S. political arena in the months leading up the election, even if different people meant different things while invoking them. These are issues that transcend party politics and provide common ground for all Americans to agree on -- regardless of whether you think political answers lie in big or small government, balanced budgets or increased spending, increased global humanitarian efforts, increased American isolationism, or increased American interventionism (or any combination of the three). This document represents a wide variety of causes that may be of varying personal importance to you; if you feel motivated, we hope that at least one of the organizations, forms of action, or causes leaps out at you as worthy of your time and effort.

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Everyday Actions, Self-Care, and Interpersonal Advice

Some Quick Suggestion:

Make beauty in your environment and your life. Get together with friends, classmates, or organizations to offer to paint over any hateful graffiti that you might see or might be found in your neighborhood; beautify your home and connect with people at the same time. Or just make some public art on your own for yourself or as a local monument. Mark ground that is sacred to you and consecrate it with flowers, rocks, or other handy and meaningful markers.

Participate and be part of communities around you! Join nearby religious or faith groups that work toward causes you believe in; Join or start local chapters of national organizations; Volunteer at local charities (some listed later here). Get to know your neighbors -- ask them for sugar and give them those extra cookies you baked--you know that you'll just eat them at 1AM if they sit in your kitchen overnight. Practice politeness and civil discourse; talk to strangers you see often and turn them into acquaintances or even friends. If you want concrete data on how this improves your life and strategies for how to talk to strangers, read:

<http://www.theatlantic.com/health/archive/2014/08/social-cohesion-heart-attack-prevention/378694/>

Invest in your community and in the causes you believe! Find out what your bank is doing with your money and move it to a different one (maybe a local Credit Union!) if you don't agree with their investments. Find out what the university is doing with your tuition and write them a letter if you don't agree with their investment. Find out the politics of what companies and brands you give money to on a regular basis.

Reduce, recycle and reuse can be awesome. My favorite way to do this is: instead of buying corporate conglomerates' beer, invest in a glass growler and fill it up with beer from local breweries. Ditto with investing in a gorgeous water bottle to replace plastic ones -- and a favorite coffee mug with lid that you get filled at coffee shops instead of paper cups. (There are often financial savings here: Saxby's offers %10 off if you bring your own cup, and %15 off if you bring a Saxby's reusable cup- many other coffee shops offer discounts too.)

Self care 101 from the Atlantic:

<http://www.theatlantic.com/health/archive/2015/10/internet-self-care/408580/>

Radical Self-Care from Kerry Ann Rocquemore National Center for Faculty Diversity

<http://www.facultydiversity.org/news/news.asp?id=230091>

Radical Empathy:

<http://www.crunkfeministcollective.com/2013/07/22/loving-ourselves-the-case-for-radical-empathy/>

Survival Tips:

<http://www.crunkfeministcollective.com/2013/06/07/how-to-not-die-some-survival-tips-for-black-women-who-are-asked-to-do-too-much/>

A guide to holiday conversations if you are anti-Trump on civil rights grounds and your family is not (adaptable for a wide variety of issues): <http://www.showingupforracialjustice.org/thanksgiving>

How to avoid conflict and intervene when you see anti-Muslim harassment
(a good tactic for other sorts of harassment as well)

<https://mic.com/articles/153212/artist-marie-shirine-yener-made-a-comic-for-bystanders-who-witness-anti-muslim-harassment#.QTKos4V1U>

Volunteer Match--a way to match up with nonprofits that need your help:

<http://www.volunteermatch.org/>

Southern Poverty Law Center, "Ten Ways to Fight Hate: A Community Response Guide":

<https://www.splcenter.org/20100216/ten-ways-fight-hate-community-response-guide>

Yale Professor Timothy Snyder's 20-Point guide to defending democracy:

<http://qz.com/846940/a-yale-history-professors-20-point-guide-to-defending-democracy-under-a-trump-presidency/>

Use amplification to make the voices of the easily-silenced heard:

<http://www.vox.com/2016/9/14/12914370/white-house-obama-women-gender-bias-amplification>

Information, Explanations, Resources for yourself and others:

An explanation of white privilege:

<http://occupywallstreet.net/story/explaining-white-privilege-broke-white-person>

Peggy McIntosh, "White Privilege: Unpacking the Invisible Knapsack":

<https://www.deanza.edu/faculty/lewisjulie/White%20Privilege%20Unpacking%20the%20Invisible%20Knapsack.pdf>

#WhiteFolkWork:

<http://www.whitefolkwork.org/>

#Our100 -- "An open letter to Our Nation from 100 women of color leaders" <https://our100.org/>

Full of great articles on many facets of third-wave/21st century feminism: <http://everydayfeminism.com>

Rebecca Solnit's classic essay about the need for feminism in the twenty-first century:

<http://www.tomdispatch.com/blog/175584/>

Audre Lorde, "The Uses of Anger: Women Responding to Racism" (1981):

<http://www.blackpast.org/1981-audre-lorde-uses-anger-women-responding-racism>

Race is a social construct, 101:

<http://www.theatlantic.com/national/archive/2013/05/what-we-mean-when-we-say-race-is-a-social-construct/275872/>

Individual versus Institutional Racism, explained: <http://www.ucalgary.ca/cared/formsoracism>

NASA science on climate change: <http://climate.nasa.gov/evidence/>

Union of Concerned Scientists Global Warming Primer:

<http://www.ucsusa.org/our-work/global-warming/science-and-impacts/global-warming-science#.WD2hBjtheCo>

Resources to read up on environmental racism and environmental justice: <http://www.ejnet.org/ej/>

Mental Health and Disability Advocacy Resources:

<http://www.bazon.org/News-Publications/Other-Resources/Mental-Health-and-Disability-Advocacy-Resources.aspx>

The Critical Media Project: media literacy and the politics of identity

<http://www.criticalmediaproject.org/cml/topicbackground/lgbt/>

National Alliance to End Homelessness: Fact Sheet on Veteran Homelessness

<http://www.endhomelessness.org/library/entry/fact-sheet-veteran-homelessness>

Facts on Veterans and mental health:

<http://www.nami.org/Find-Support/Veterans-and-Active-Duty>

Scientific American's excellent summary of inequality in America:

<https://www.scientificamerican.com/article/economic-inequality-it-s-far-worse-than-you-think/>

Immigration FAQs after the election (english and spanish versions):

http://www.maldef.org/news/releases/2016_11_14_Immigrant_Rights_FAQs_Under_A_Trump_Presidency/

“There’s No Easy Way Out”: 10 activists share tactics for resisting Trump (Podcast)

<https://bitchmedia.org/article/backtalk-theres-no-easy-way-out>

On-line Security:

The Library Freedom Project (Tons of links to info on web browser safety, secure passwords, the basics of firewalls and back-ups, etc.): <https://libraryfreedomproject.org/>

DuckDuckGo, a search engine that doesn’t track you: <https://duckduckgo.com/about>

Surveillance Self-Defense: <https://ssd.eff.org/en>

“A 70-Day Web Security Action Plan for Artists and Activists Under Siege” (a more advanced plan for on-line security): <https://medium.com/@TeacherC/90dayactionplan-ff86b1de6acb#.3uhfqa6ng>

Signal, an encrypted messaging service <https://whispersystems.org/>

Use Tor (The Onion Router), it routes web traffic through several different computers within the Tor network so that someone at the end of some communication can’t actually trace the traffic back to you.

<https://www.torproject.org/projects/torbrowser.html.en>

Electronic Frontier Foundation (<https://www.eff.org>)

Reading Lists and Syllabi:

The syllabi here have all been created, vetted, and often taught by qualified academics. They aim not to preach, but to put modern events into historical and contemporary context using the most rigorous and best academic practices and scholarship, as well as primary sources. Great for education! Start a reading group to go through an entire syllabus, or skim them all to pick and choose the books that look most important or interesting for your personal journey!

Trump Syllabus 2.0: <http://www.publicbooks.org/feature/trump-syllabus-20>

Standing Rock Syllabus: <https://nycstandswithstandingrock.wordpress.com/standingrocksyllabus/>

Black Lives Matter Syllabus: <http://www.blacklivesmattersyllabus.com/fall2016/>

Charleston Syllabus: <http://www.aaihs.org/resources/charlestonsyllabus/>

Ferguson Syllabus: <https://sociologistsforjustice.org/ferguson-syllabus/>

Syllabus for White People to Educate Themselves (links to lots of great resources):

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1By9bUjJ78snEeZuLXNGBdIVMjgEQWMEjR-Gfx8ER7lw/mobilebasic#heading=h.bi12zdslyq3z>

Rape Culture Syllabus: <http://www.publicbooks.org/feature/rape-culture-syllabus>

Post-Election Reading Lists from University Presses

University of California Press: <http://www.ucpress.edu/page.php?q=electpol>

Oxford University Press: <http://blog.oup.com/2016/11/presidential-election-reading-list/>

Princeton University Press:

<http://blog.press.princeton.edu/2016/11/11/books-for-understanding-a-reading-list/>

Yale University Press: <http://blog.yupnet.org/2016/11/17/post-election-reading-list/>

National Government and Politics Resources:

GovTrack (publishes the status of Federal legislation, provides information on members of Congress, creates statistical analysis and bill summaries, etc.):

<https://www.govtrack.us/about>

Ballotpedia (good springboard to federal, state, and local government information):

https://ballotpedia.org/Main_Page

Fact checking for political news: (use multiple of the below for best results, all non-partisan)

-<http://www.politifact.com>

-<http://www.factcheck.org>

-<https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/fact-checker/>

-<https://www.opensecrets.org> (specializes in tracking money in politics)

-<http://www.snopes.com> (everything from urban legends and memes to formal policy statements)

-<http://sunlightfoundation.com> (Focuses on government transparency and quality journalism - see

their criminal justice map here: <http://hallofjustice.sunlightfoundation.com>)

National Activism:

"We're His Problem Now" Calling Sheet:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/174f0WBSVNSdcQ5_S6rWPGB3pNCsruyyM_ZRQ6QUhGmo/htmview?usp=sharing&sle=true#

Race for new DNC chair: Keith Ellison, the first Black Muslim elected to Congress, has recently been endorsed by Bernie Sanders; Howard Dean, DNC Chair from 2005-9, and former Presidential candidate Martin O'Malley have also expressed interest. If you are active in the party, you may want to become active in the discussions around this: <http://www.cnn.com/2016/11/10/politics/howard-dean-dnc-chair/>

Indivisible: A Practical Guide to Resisting the Trump Agenda (Former congressional staffers reveal best practices for making Congress listen.)

-<https://www.indivisibleguide.com>

Local Activism

Delaware General Assembly (information on legislative calendar, bills, committees, events, etc.):

<https://legis.delaware.gov/>

There is an open seat in the Delaware State Senate that will be decided by special election in either February or March; whichever party wins will control a majority of the DE State Senate. Stay tuned after the seat officially becomes open and an election announced in mid-January:

<http://delawarestatenews.net/election-2016/balance-delaware-senate-shifts-blevins-loss/>

Lists of local organizations: <http://www.volunteerdelaware.org>

Delaware Coalition to Dismantle the New Jim Crow: <https://endnewjimcrowde.org>

National Organization for Women (NOW)-Delaware Chapter: <http://now.org/chapter/delaware-now/>

Habitat for Humanity New Castle County -- <http://habitatncc.org>

Food Bank of Delaware -- <http://www.fbd.org>

Delaware Council on Global and Muslim Affairs - <http://2015.delawarecouncil.org>

Mazzoni Center--offering healthcare services to the LGBTQ population in Philadelphia
(<https://www.mazzonicenter.org/donate-now/volunteer-opportunities>)

AIDS Law Project (<http://www.aidslawpa.org/>)

Force: Upsetting Rape Culture (<http://www.upsettingrapeculture.com/>)

National Charities and Activist Organizations:

*There are so many more charities out there; this is a quick list of some of the charities speaking to issues that have become of increasing importance since the election, although there are many great causes unaffected by the election. Be sure to research any organization before donating. Try **Consumer Reports** (<http://www.consumerreports.org/charitable-donations/best-and-worst-charities-for-your-donations/>) or **Charity Navigator** (<http://www.charitynavigator.org/>). The following organizations are loosely grouped by topic.*

American Civil Liberties Union (<https://www.aclu.org>)

Southern Poverty Law Center (<https://www.splcenter.org>)

National Resources Defense Council. (<https://www.nrdc.org/>)

Environmental Defense Fund (<https://www.edf.org>)

Indigenous Environmental Network (<http://www.ienearth.org/>)

Sierra Club (<http://www.sierraclub.org/>)

Union of Concerned Scientists--finding practical solutions to the planet's most pressing problems
(<http://www.ucsusa.org/>)

Climate Science Legal Defense Fund (<http://climatesciencedefensefund.org/>)

League of Conservation Voters (<http://www.lcv.org/act/>)

EarthJustice--largest nonprofit environmental law organization (<http://earthjustice.org/#>)

NextGen Climate--acting politically to prevent climate disaster (<https://nextgenclimate.org/>)

National Immigration Law Center (<https://www.nilc.org>)
National Immigration Forum (<http://immigrationforum.org/>)
American Immigration Council (<https://www.americanimmigrationcouncil.org/>)
Border Angels--migrant outreach, immigration consulting, advocacy (<http://www.borderangels.org/>)
CARA Pro Bono--working to end family detention (<http://caraprobono.org/>)
CHIRLA (Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights of Los Angeles (<http://www.chirla.org/>)
The Young Center for Immigrant Children's Rights (<http://theyoungcenter.org>)
KIND (Kids in Need of Defense)--provides representation for minors in deportation proceedings
(<https://supportkind.org/>)
Safe Passage Project--addressing the legal needs of indigent immigrant youth
(<http://www.safepassageproject.org/>)
Asylum Seeker Advocacy Project--Bringing legal services to refugee families
(<https://asap.urbanjustice.org/>)
Tahirih Justice Center -- helping women and children who flee violence (<http://www.tahirih.org>)
International Refugee Assistance Project (<http://refugeerights.org>)

NoDAPL: Sacred Stone Camp (<https://www.gofundme.com/sacredstonecamp>)
Native American Rights Fund (<http://www.narf.org/>)

Anti-Defamation League (<http://www.adl.org/>)
Council on American-Islamic Relations (<https://www.cair.com/>)

Planned Parenthood (<https://www.plannedparenthood.org>)
Center for Reproductive Rights (<https://www.reproductiverights.org>)
National Network of Abortion Funds (<https://abortionfunds.org/>)
NARAL Pro-Choice America (<http://www.prochoiceamerica.org/>)
Reproductive Health Access Project--training and supporting clinicians to make reproductive health
care accessible to everyone (<http://www.reproductiveaccess.org/>)
National Abortion Federation (<https://prochoice.org/>)

National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (<http://www.naacp.org>)
NAACP Legal Defense Fund (<http://www.naacpldf.org/ways-get-involved>)
Black Lives Matter (<http://blacklivesmatter.com>)
MALDEF: The Latino Legal Voice for Civil Rights in America (<http://www.maldef.org/index.html>)
Showing Up for Racial Justice (an organization for white people to learn about privilege and how to use it
well) <http://www.showingupforracialjustice.org>

She Should Run (supporting women interested in running for public office) <http://www.sheshouldrun.org/>
EMILY's List (Early Money Is Like Yeast--it raises the dough!)
(<https://secure.emilyslist.org/page/contribute/donate-to-emily>)
Running Start--educating young women and girls about the importance of politics
(<http://runningstartonline.org/>)

DREDF (Disability Rights Education and Defense Fund) (<https://dredf.org/support-our-work/>)
ADAPT--organizes disability rights activists to engage in nonviolent direct action
(<http://www.adapt.org/main>)

National Alliance on Mental Illness -- <http://www.nami.org/Find-Support/Veterans-and-Active-Duty>

GLAD (Gay and Lesbian Advocates & Defenders) (<http://glad.org>)
Human Rights Campaign--LGBTQ civil rights organization (<http://www.hrc.org/>)
Lambda Legal--national legal organization fighting for the rights of LGBTQ people
(www.lambdalegal.org/donate)
Trevor Project, for LGBTQ youth (<http://www.thetrevorproject.org>)
Audre Lorde Project (<http://alp.org/>)
Sylvia Rivera Law Project--provides legal services for people who are transgender, intersex, or gender
non-conforming (<https://srlp.org/>)
Trans Law Help (<https://translawhelp.org/>)
Transgender Equality (<http://www.transequality.org/>)
Susan's Place (space for trans* persons) (<https://www.susans.org/>)

NCADV (National Coalition Against Domestic Violence) (<http://ncadv.org/give-back/donate>)
RAINN (Rape, Abuse, & Incest National Network) (<https://www.rainn.org/get-involved>)
Women Organized Against Rape (<http://www.woar.org/>)
National Women's Law Center (<https://nwl.org/>)

Service Women's Action Network--advocates for the rights of military women
(<http://www.servicewomen.org/donate/>)
Disabled American Veterans Charitable Service Trust (<http://cst.dav.org/>)

Vera Institute of Justice--working towards prison reform (<https://www.vera.org/donate>)
The Innocence Project--pushing for criminal justice reform and overturning wrongful convictions
(<http://www.innocenceproject.org/>)
Campaign Zero--working to end police violence (<http://www.joincampaignzero.org/#vision>)

PEN America--works to protect free and open expression through literature and writing (<https://pen.org/>)
Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press--protecting the first amendment and freedom of
information rights (<https://www.rcfp.org/donate>)

Human Rights First--independent advocacy and action organization involved in the global struggle for
human rights (<http://www.humanrightsfirst.org/>)

Electronic Frontier Foundation--protecting civil rights on the internet (<https://www EFF.org/>)

ADDED DECEMBER 5:

- Women's Refugee Commission
- National Immigrant Youth Alliance
- Washington Peace Center
- Farm Worker Justice Fund
- Migrant Legal Action Program
- Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services (there's also a Catholic one)
- National Council of La Raza
- A list of Muslim organizations that have been other resource lists :
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeQ-kfshWmeLo61nNH0eZMzc5boXjipawAuWKjekXBR_KJzGQ/viewform?c=0&w=1
- The Sikh Coalition/SALDEF (does similar work to MALDEF)

- Arab American Institute
- Muslim Public Affairs Council
- National Urban League (one in Wilmington so this is both national and local), Race Forward, NCNW etc.
- Lots of important women's orgs missing like NOW, Feminist Majority, Equality Now, AAUW etc.