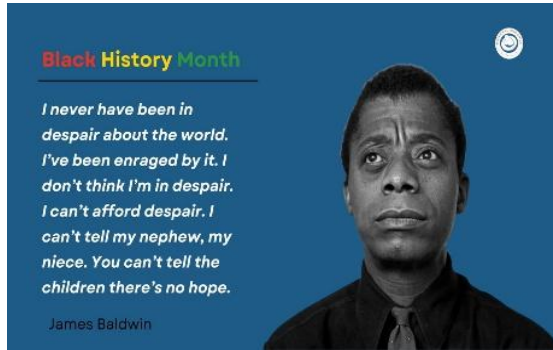




MCHA Monthly Meeting

February 20, 2025 10 AM – 12 noon



1. Welcome
2. Review of mailing sent, materials
3. Kaiser and Cov CA Open Enrollment, DACA eligibility – Refer Now!
Celia Valdez, MCHA
4. New ACWDL, Foster Care Flyers – Liz Ramirez, MCHA
5. CalFresh Updates - Soledad Cisneros, MCHA
6. CalAIM Medical Meals – MCHA Flyer – Arathzy Portillo, Lynn Kersey, MCHA
7. Newborn Hospital Gateway – Lynn Kersey and Liz Ramirez, MCHA
 - a. Ability to get CIN number from County Newborn Referral Line
8. Updates and Announcements – MCHA past due bills – SoCal Gas and

Next MCHA Monthly Meeting – Thurs March 20, 2025, 10 AM

10:59

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DearPatrick,

As we continue to see the horrific and cruel attacks by the new Trump Administration against immigrants CLUE religious leaders and immigrant families make the call to solidarity against marginalization, criminalization and cruelty.

Join us to march to defend the dignity and humanity of all persons. We are all created in God's image, nobody can take that away.

Let us summon the power of love and non-violence to resist inhumanity and cruelty.

What: March for Dignity

When: Saturday, March 1st, 2025

Time: 10:00am

Where: Broadway and Olympic Blvd

RSVP HERE

Robert Reich – What you can do

<https://robertreich.substack.com/p/more-on-what-you-can-do>

Twenty Lessons from Fighting Tyranny From the 20th Century

<https://scholars.org/contribution/twenty-lessons-fighting-tyranny-twentieth>

Thirty lonely but beautiful actions you can take right now

<https://substack.com/home/post/p-156977020>

Below should be a ‘gift’ – non paywall link to NY Times.

Tracking the Lawsuits Against Trump’s Agenda

The legal clashes over President Trump’s blizzard of executive actions are intensifying, with new lawsuits and fresh rulings emerging day and night. As of Feb. 12, 18 of those rulings have at least temporarily paused some of the president’s initiatives. Already, the administration has asked higher courts to intervene. Some of these cases could reach the Supreme Court in the weeks and months to come.

https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2025/us/trump-administration-lawsuits.html?unlocked_article_code=1.w04.FrcI.RegpMtVi4B_i&smid=url-share

Immigration. Opponents are also challenging immigration policies, including the administration’s efforts to: authorize immigration agents to enter houses of worship, speed up and broaden the scope of deportations and make it harder for refugees to claim asylum in the United States. San Francisco and other cities also sued to block an executive order that would withhold federal funds from cities that do not assist with enforcing the Trump administration’s immigration policies.

- **City and County of San Francisco v. Trump**

San Francisco and several other cities sued the Trump administration over its efforts to get them to comply with its immigration policies.

[Read more >](#) [Docket >](#)

- **Las Americas Immigrant Advocacy Center v. Noem**

[Docket >](#)

- **Mennonite Church U.S.A. v. U.S. Department of Homeland Security**

[Docket >](#)

- **Pacito v. Trump**

[Docket >](#)

- **Refugee and Immigrant Center for Education and Legal Services v. Noem**

[Docket >](#)

- **Philadelphia Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends v. U.S. Department of Homeland Security**

[Docket >](#)

- **Organized Communities Against Deportations v. Huffman**

[Docket >](#)

- **Make the Road New York v. Huffman**

CHOOSE DEMOCRACY

Despite his dreams, Trump is not a King. [Marisa Kabas may have again broken the news. The Washington Post](#) writes: "The White House budget office on Wednesday rescinded an order freezing federal grants, according to a copy of a new memo obtained by The Washington Post, after the administration's move to halt spending earlier this week provoked a backlash."

He didn't back down because it was a good idea. It wasn't a change of heart. It wasn't a feint. It was a genuine administrative coup that — for now — has been thwarted.

He backed down because people pushed back — getting media to do their job and alert us to an impending problem, calling Senators who (more or less) found their spines, lawyers challenging the coup, telling the story of the many who would suffer under such an order, joining last-minute DC protests...

We'd like you to pause before your inner cynic speaks up (the one that says "he'll try another version" or "look at all the other things he's destroyed and people suffering").

The point is stunningly important: Trump can lose when we fight. He is not invincible, and he is not all powerful.

It doesn't mean we will win every fight. But it does mean that anyone who is telling you it's hopeless is wrong. Folks need to get this message: our feelings are valid, but any conclusion that says it's over is wrong. *They, too, will get a chance to join and we hope they do.*

To us, the biggest stories not being told are the many, many acts of resistance all over. We wish we had journalists covering this. For example:

- [Teachers rejecting ICE raids](#) ("we jump in front of bullets for our students")
- Folks rejecting President-in-action-but-not-elected Elon Musk's potentially [illegally sent](#) and possibly illegal buyout offer to 2 million government workers ([comments are fire](#): "I'll be honest, before that email went out, I was looking for any way to get out of this fresh hell. But now I am fired up to make these goons as frustrated as possible, RTO be damned. Hold the Line!")
- [National trainings teaching people how to organize and strengthen community when workplace raids happen](#) (we recommend these!) or Teen Vogue's story on [ICE Watch Programs Can Protect Immigrants in Your Neighborhood — Here's What to Know](#)
- [Lawyers standing up for the rule of law](#) — like [22 state attorneys general sued Trump over birthright order](#) or [ACLU suing fast-track deportation policy](#) or [Quakers suing to stop ICE out of worship services](#)
- [The internet spamming the DEI snitch tipline](#)
- [Greenlanders refusing to give up free healthcare and education and rejecting any US takeover](#) or Colombian President Petro staring down Trump and winning the "dignity" of returnees he asked for (the US media let Trump claim victory — **but international press report this very differently**, like [here](#) or [here](#) or read [Petro's full statement](#))
- Groups like [Civil Service Strong](#) helping government workers sort through their decisions in these trying times
- and the many people [finding their path](#) in these times.

Yes, we know the overwhelm is still there. There's a reason. It's called Shock and Awe. The goal is chaos and constant crisis to push through radical changes. The goal is to push our cognitive limits to overload, so we get paralyzed.

One implication of this: to stay active, many of us will need to limit our attention. Doing so is not a rejection of other issues. It's that in a time of rapid chaos, none of us can do it all. Let's give ourselves that permission. And then let's extend that grace our allies — for not joining the causes most central to us or for picking a strategy that we think isn't most effectual. It's okay to pick your lane and focus on that. In fact, we need you to. [\(We have this video to help remind people of different paths they may take.\)](#)

An overwhelmed teacher asked us what they should be doing to help their students. After an extended conversation that included their basic rights to keep out ICE, it came down to this: "The thing they most fear is an educated population. Teach your students." Do what you do best. We knew there would be a lot of loss in this time, and there is. We'll have to keep planting seeds for a better future.

We want to [thank Democracy Forward](#) for its leading lawsuits. Again, thanks to journalists like Marisa Kabas (an independent journalist at [The Handbasket](#)) and Anand Giridharadas (who quoted us in [The Ink](#)). **Please support our independent journalists who did *not* downplay this administrative coup and raised their voices right away.** Thanks [Rebecca Solnit](#) who first pulled our attention to this.

Some things we're going to go do: Eat some ice cream, pet a cat, and tap some maple trees with our kid. And then keep fighting the best we can.

Warmly,

- Choose Democracy

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Videos



["Democracy Is Fragile" and Trump's Threat to Us All, With ...](#)

YouTube · Katie Couric

19 hours ago



[Politics Chat: February 11, 2025](#)

YouTube · Heather Cox Richardson

The 24 hour Economic Blackout:

Please consider joining in this effort – and sharing this posting, as appropriate, with your contacts.

Posted by Jon Stewart but initiated by John Clemens:

"The 24 hour Economic Blackout"

As our first initial act, we turn it off.

For one day we show them who really holds the power.

WHEN:

Friday February 28th from

12:00 A.M. to 11:59 P.M.

WHAT NOT TO DO:

Do not make any purchases

Do not shop online, or in-store

No Amazon, No Walmart, No Best Buy

Nowhere!

Do not spend money on:

Fast Food

Gas

Major Retailers

Do not use Credit or Debit Cards for non essential spending

WHAT YOU CAN DO:

Only buy essentials of absolutely necessary

(Food, Medicine, Emergency Supplies)

If you must spend, ONLY support small, local businesses.

SPREAD THE MESSAGE

Talk about it, post about it, and document your actions that day!

WHY THIS MATTERS!

~ Corporations and banks only care about their bottom line.

~ If we disrupt the economy for just ONE day, it sends a powerful message.

~ If they don't listen (they won't) we make the next blackout longer (We will)

This is our first action.

This is how we make history.

February 28th

The 24 Hour Economic Black Out Begins.

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