



# ADVOCACY IN ACTION

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## There's Still Time to Sign Up! 75 for the 75th: A virtual activity to support the NCJW Israel Granting Program

Did you know? [NCJW's Israel Granting Program](#) seeks to improve the lives of women, children, and families throughout Israel. The organizations and projects we fund advance women's empowerment and gender equality, and strengthen shared society and democracy in Israel. In celebration of our program and Israel's 75th birthday, we are excited to announce a special effort to raise funds for these organizations making critical change. You can read more about these incredible programs by [clicking here](#).



How will this work? [Participants can pledge \\$75 to walk 75 miles\\*](#) in celebration of the ISRAEL GRANTING PROGRAM'S 75TH ANNIVERSARY. The celebration will include in-person meet-ups to foster community and build engagement. The effort itself will start on January 15, 2023 and run until April 26, 2023, which is Israel Independence Day. Once you register, we will send instructions on keeping track of your progress. At the end of the effort, we will have a drawing for a special prize!

\*As an alternative to walking 75 miles, participants may run 75 miles, swim 75 hours, exercise for 75 hours, play pickleball (or other racket sports) for 75 hours, play soccer (or another team sports) for 75 hours, read 75 hours, advocate for 75 hours. Really, anything you want. We hear that Ellen Alper is going to bake 75 cookies!

Please [click here](#) to register for 75 For the 75th. For more information, please contact Jen Bernstein at [jbernstein@ncjwstl.org](mailto:jbernstein@ncjwstl.org).

## Save the Date for Two Events! Abortion Stories: Honoring the 50th Anniversary of Roe v. Wade and the Work that Continues and Human Trafficking Lobby Day



### Abortion Stories: Honoring the 50th Anniversary of Roe v. Wade and the Work that Continues

**When:** Sunday, January 22 | 2:00 – 4:00 PM CT

**Where:** Congregation Shaare Emeth | 11645 Ladue Road

NCJWSTL and Congregation Shaare Emeth are thrilled to be

hosting a joint exhibit and program (nosh included!) to honor the anniversary of *Roe v. Wade* next month. The event is still in its planning stages, so we will have more information soon. *In the meantime, you can find more information about this incredible exhibit by [clicking here](#).*

## Human Trafficking Lobby Day

**When:** Wednesday, February 1 | Time TBD

**Where:** Missouri State Capitol

Please join us for important conversations with legislators and coalition partners on Human Trafficking in recognition of Human Trafficking Awareness month.

This event is presented by Missouri State Senator Brian Williams, Missouri Attorney General Human Trafficking Task Force, and the National Council of Jewish Women St. Louis.

*For more information, please contact Jen Bernstein at [jbernstein@ncjwstl.org](mailto:jbernstein@ncjwstl.org).*

## The Big Chill: How Extremism Is Eroding Our Rights

**When:** Wednesday, January 18 | 7:00 PM CT (doors open at 6:30 PM)

**Where:** The Center of Clayton | 50 Gay Ave.

[RSVP Here](#)

“The Big Chill” reflects not only the probable winter temperature but also the chilling effect of current extremism and fundamentalism in our society. Marie Griffith, PhD, director, John C. Danforth Center of Religion and Politics, will speak on what we can do to help put an end to this scourge.

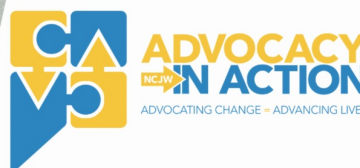


Dr. Marie Griffith is a Distinguished Professor in the Humanities and editor of the Danforth Center’s journal, Religion & Politics. Her research and writing focuses on American Christianity, including the changing profile of American evangelicals and ongoing conflicts over gender, sexuality and marriage.

This program is presented by Women's Voices Raised for Social Justice and co-sponsored by National Council of Jewish Women St. Louis, the League of Women Voters of Metro St. Louis and the Tuesday Women’s Association of the Ethical Society.

*There is no cost to attend, but registration is required. Please [click here](#) to register. Proof of COVID-19 vaccination and a mask will be required for entry.*

## January Lunch and Learn - Shopping Ethically with David Cook



Thursday, January 19, 2023  
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM CT

David Cook

**When:** Thursday, January 19 | 12:00 – 1:00 PM CT

**Where:** Zoom  
[RSVP Here](#)

Ethical shopping has been a rising topic for some time now. The phrase “vote with your dollars” has even become a common rallying cry for making ethical decisions with daily purchases. However, as ethical shopping is a broad and sometimes complex topic, it can be difficult to know where to get started.

Fortunately, making ethical purchases is well worth the benefits it can bring to your local community and the world at large (like when you shop at [NCJWSTL's ReSale Shop!](#)). Plus, some methods of ethical shopping can be easily added to your normal shopping routine. For our January Lunch and Learn, we are thrilled to welcome David Cook to help us navigate this landscape

David Cook serves as President for U.F.C.W. Local 655. David joined Local 655 in 1977 as a courtesy clerk for Kroger. In 1987, he began his career with Local 655 in the Organizing Department and has worked as a service representative prior to his current position. In addition to his duties with the Local, he is also a delegate to the Greater St. Louis Labor Council, trustee for the UFCW Local 655 Pension Fund and UFCW Local 655 Health and Welfare Fund.

**Please [click here](#) to register for the December Lunch and Learn. Questions? Email Jen Bernstein at [jbernstein@ncjwstl.org](mailto:jbernstein@ncjwstl.org) or call 314.993.5181**

## Take Action & Join the A-List



**Now more than ever you will want to make sure that your name is on NCJWSTL's A-List for 2022!** Join us as we stand together and speak out about the issues that matter most.

***Together we can make a difference!***

A-List sponsorship ads sustain our collaborative efforts to educate the community and elected officials about issues integral to our mission. The full-page ads will run in the St. Louis Jewish Light during 2022.

- **\$18** includes your name in the ad.
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## Interesting Reading



Dr. Curtis Boyd's career as an abortion provider in many ways encapsulates the nation's long-fought abortion wars. From 1968 up until the Roe decision, Boyd performed between 25,000 and 35,000 abortions, first in Texas and then in New Mexico, where a state law had loosened restrictions on abortions in certain cases. The Clergy Consultation Service, which grew to include doctors from Detroit to Puerto Rico, and even Tokyo, helped an estimated 450,000 women end their pregnancies before Roe, making it the single-largest underground abortion network known in the United States.

**[Click here](#) to read Cecilia Nowell's article from Mother Jones, "Before Roe, a Baptist Preacher Performed Abortions in Secret. Now He's Helping Texans."**

**Want to help people seeking access to reproductive healthcare in our region?**

**Here is an opportunity to make a "hands-on" difference in someone's life...**

NCJWSTL has partnered with local clinics to provide direct support services to patients. Help us help women in our region by ordering from our [Amazon Wish List](#). These items will be stocked at the clinics for patients in need. NCJWSTL volunteers will coordinate and deliver everything to the clinics.

- Please [click here](#) for the NCJWSTL Clinic Wish List.
- Please make sure that NCJWSTL is the shipping address when you place an order (295 N. Lindbergh Blvd, St. Louis, MO 63141).

**\*Thanks in advance for your help and support\***

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