



# Do you have your voting plan to end the abortion ban? Early in-person voting in Missouri has begun!

You do not need to provide a reason for voting early using a no-excuse absentee ballot. Learn more: <u>http://moconstitutionalfreedom.org/vote</u>

# We Need You to Volunteer at a Polling Place!



Are you ready to make a meaningful impact this Election Day? Join us to empower voters and advocate for change by helping to end Missouri's cruel abortion ban. This is a vital opportunity to engage with your community, share important information and encourage others to vote YES on Amendment 3.

**Volunteers are needed for shifts at four different high-traffic St. Louis County polling places throughout the day** (Creve Coeur Government Center, Parkway North High School, Bluebird Park Administrative Building, and Crestview Middle School). We are looking for at least two people to work each shift. Handouts/signs can be picked up at the NCJWSTL office on Monday, November 4th, between 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM.

Volunteering at polling places can really make a difference--a friendly face sharing information about Amendment 3 can help fight disinformation and win over undecided voters.

*Please <u>click here</u> to volunteer for a shift. For more information, please contact Jen Bernstein at jbernstein@ncjwstl.org*.

**TOMORROW! Special Amendment 3 Virtual Event with Diana** Kander and Former State Senator Jill Schupp



#### When: Tuesday, October 29 | 7:00 PM Where: Zoom RSVP Here

Join bestselling author and entrepreneur **Diana Kander** and **Former State Senator Jill Schupp** for an inspiring conversation about the importance of ending Missouri's extreme abortion ban, and how YOU can help turn out the vote for Amendment 3! This is not just about casting a vote; it's about empowering yourself and your community with the knowledge and resources necessary to combat misinformation effectively.

**Diana Kander** is a New York Times bestselling author and sought-after public speaker who entered the United States as a refugee from Ukraine at age eight. Many of you will recognize Diana's name, as her husband (Jason Kander) is the former Missouri Secretary of State and U.S. Senate candidate. Former Senator Jill Schupp spent over a decade in the Missouri Legislature, first as a Representative and then as a Senator. She has dedicated her political career to improving the lives of women, children, and families across Missouri and is a life member of NCJWSTL.

We are so excited for them to give us the final push we need to get Amendment 3 across the finish line and end Missouri's extreme abortion ban once and for all!

Please <u>click here</u> to register.

November Lunch and Learn: Missouri Legislative Session Preview



When: Thursday, November 21 | 12:00 - 1:00 PM Where: Zoom RSVP Here

We are thrilled to invite you to our November Lunch and Learn, where you can explore what lies ahead in the Missouri legislative session! If you're eager to share your thoughts on our policy priorities and actively shape the discussions around the 2025 session, this is the perfect opportunity for you.

Join us as we welcome NCJWSTL State Policy Advocate and passionate political insider

Amy Kuo Hammerman, and NCJWSTL Board Member and legislative expert Sarah Martin. Your voice matters, and we can't wait to hear your perspectives as we navigate these important topics together!

The 2025 session should be an exciting one, and we would love to give you a sneak preview.

*Please <u>click here</u> to register for the October Lunch & Learn. Questions? Email Jen Bernstein at <u>jbernstein@ncjwstl.org</u> or call 314.993.5181.* 

# Pledge to Vote Yes on Prop A for Paid Sick Days and to Raise the Wage!

No one should have to choose between their paycheck and their family's health. However, this is NOT the reality in Missouri. That's why we are working toward earned paid sick time off and a fair minimum wage for Missouri workers. More than 210,000 Missourians from every county



signed the petition to put Missourians for Healthy Families and Fair Wages on the 2024 Missouri ballot!

Now it's our turn as voters to make this a reality. **Pledge to vote YES on Prop A** to deliver paid sick days and fair wages to Missouri's working families.

Prop A will:

- Allow Missouri workers to earn up to 7 paid sick days
- Gradually raise Missouri's minimum wage to \$15/hour by 2026

<u>*Click here</u></u> to show how your vote is your power. Join the movement and get involved. PLEDGE TO VOTE!*</u>

# **NCJWSTL 2024 Election Guide**

# **NCJWSTL ELECTION GUIDE**

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#### END MO ABORTION BANS, VOTE YES ON 3

NCJWWSTL believes that all Missourians should have access to the full range of reproductive healthcare, including abortion. Right now, Missouri has a TOTAL ban on abortion, without exceptions for rape and incest survivors. Regardless of how one personally feels about abortion, politicians should not be forcing their beliefs on patients and doctors. Government shouldn't be involved in personal healthcare decisions. DECISIONS AROUND PREGNANCY, INCLUDING

ABORTION BIRTH CONTROL & MISCARRIAGE CARE

MISCARRIACE ARE PERSONAL AND PRIVATE AND SHOULD BE LEFT UP TO PATIENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES.

#EndTheBanMO

#### IMPORTANT NOVEMBER ELECTION DATES

September 24 Absentee voting with an excuse opens October 9 Last day to register to vote (5:00 p.m.) October 22 No-excuse in-person absentee voting opens October 23 Last day to apply for a mailed absentee ballot (5:00 p.m) November 2 Board of Elections office open for absentee voting November 4 Last day for voting an absentee ballot in person at the Board of Elections

November 5 ELECTION DAY, Polls open from 6:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

#### SUPPORT HEALTHY FAMILIES



 NCJWSTL believes that all Missourians should not have to choose between a paycheck and being healthy.

We support paid sick leave for all Missourians. **Vote yes** on **A**.

#### WHAT ELSE IS ON THE NOVEMBER BALLOT?

In addition to all President, Senate, statewide races, and Missouri House races, you might have a state senate race and a local race. NCJWSTL does not take a position on candidates. NCJWSTL encourages you to vote no on Amendment 7, which would ban rank choice voting.



# ADD YOUR NAME and Help Us Oppose Censorship of Our Public Libraries

Protect Missouri's Libraries! Join the Right to Read Coalition by <u>clicking here</u>.

For those who have already joined, thank you! Check our member list to see who supports us...and if you've already joined by <u>clicking here</u>.

Right to Read is a statewide coalition of 1,000 individuals and nearly 100 organizations. The coalition opposes legislative, state policy or other efforts to restrict access to materials at public and school libraries.



**Supporting Missouri's Libraries** 

Censorship denies our First Amendment rights to access books that reflect our diverse community:

- Missouri ranked third nationally in 2023 for the number of books banned at school libraries.
- 60% of banned books in the U.S. include characters of color and discussed issues of race and racism or presented LGBTQ+ characters or themes.

Laws and policies enacted recently have led to book bans and harmful regulations on our libraries. **We expect more censorship efforts in Missouri in 2025.** 

Add your voice to thousands of Missourians to fight censorship and book bans!

*Please <u>click here</u> to add your name as an individual member of the coalition. For more information, please e-mail the coalition at <u>righttoreadcoalition@gmail.com</u>.* 

### **Get FREE Emergency Contraception at NCJWSTL!**



NCJWSTL is thrilled to announce that we have partnered with the <u>Missouri Family Health Council</u> (MFHC) to distribute **FREE emergency contraception kits**! This effort is vitally important in the wake of last year's Supreme Court decision overturning Roe vs. Wade, especially in states like Missouri where abortion is illegal. Everyone should have the right to determine when and if they wish to start a family, and emergency contraception is vital in preventing unwanted pregnancies.

Also known as the morning-after pill, or by the brand

name Plan B, the emergency contraception pill is an over-the-counter form of birth control that can be taken up to five days after unprotected sex to avoid pregnancy. The goal of this effort is to reduce geographic and financial barriers Missourians face in accessing emergency contraception pills.

While supplies last, MFHC, NCJWSTL, and other partner organizations are offering free EC kits to anyone of any age. Feel free to stop by the NCJWSTL office to pick up your kit - for you or a loved one.

*If you have any questions, please contact Jen Bernstein at <u>jbernstein@ncjwstl.org</u>. <i>You can also order an emergency contraception kit by mail by <u>clicking here</u>.* 

# **Take Action & Join the A-List**

Now more than ever you will want to ensure that your name is on NCJWSTL's A-List for 2024! 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, such as birth control access and voting rights. The fullpage ads will run in the St. Louis Jewish Light during 2024.



- **\$18** includes your name in the ad.
- **\$54** makes you an Advocate Plus with your name in bold.
- **\$72** makes you a sponsor with your name distinguished in color.

<u>Click here</u> to see the A-List flyer. <u>Click here</u> to see the latest A-List Ad. Join the A-list <u>here</u>.

## **Interesting Reading**

Four months after the Supreme Court tossed out a highprofile challenge to the abortion drug mifepristone, and as abortion access is a major flashpoint in the presidential election, three conservative states are following through on a promise to bring the issue back to the forefront with a new lawsuit.



<u>Click here</u> to read John Fritz's article from CNN, "Conservative States Kick off New Fight to Limit Access to Abortion Pill Mifepristone Despite Supreme Court Decision."

Not yet a member of NCJWSTL? <u>Click here</u> to become part of a growing network of courageous and compassionate individuals who improve the lives of women, children, and families every day. You don't have to be a woman or Jewish to join!



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