



**ADVOCACY
IN ACTION**

ADVOCATING CHANGE = ADVANCING LIVES

NCJWSTL has NO on Amendment 3 yard signs ready for pickup! Stop by the office at 311 N Lindbergh Blvd during business hours to pick yours up and boost visibility right away.

VOTE!

September 22: Absentee voting with an excuse opens

October 7: Last day to register to vote

October 20: No-excuse in-person absentee voting opens

October 21: Last day to apply for a mailed absentee ballot

November 2: Last day for voting an absentee ballot in person at the Board of Elections

**November 3: ELECTION DAY
Polls open from 6:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.**

TOMORROW! The More You Know - Vote With Confidence on November 3rd

When: Tuesday, September 29 | 7:00 PM

Where: Congregation Shaare Emeth | 11645 Ladue Road

[Register Here](#)

The November 3rd ballot includes several measures that will shape Missouri's future for years to come. Join us for an in-depth conversation with Dr. David Eisenberg, Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology and Chief of the Division of Complex Family Planning at WashU Medicine; Jon Schmid, Policy Counsel at ACLU-MO; and representatives from the League of Women Voters. Together, they will break down what a yes or no vote means for each measure and help you understand the real-world impact of these decisions.



**YOUR GUIDE TO VOTING
WITH CONFIDENCE ON
NOVEMBER 3**

Gain the knowledge you need to make an informed decision on these issues BEFORE you cast your vote.

Please [click here](#) to register.

Knock Doors With NCJWSTL and Beacon to Talk to Voters About Voting NO on Amendment 3



When: Sunday, October 4, 11 and 18 | 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Where: Location given upon registration

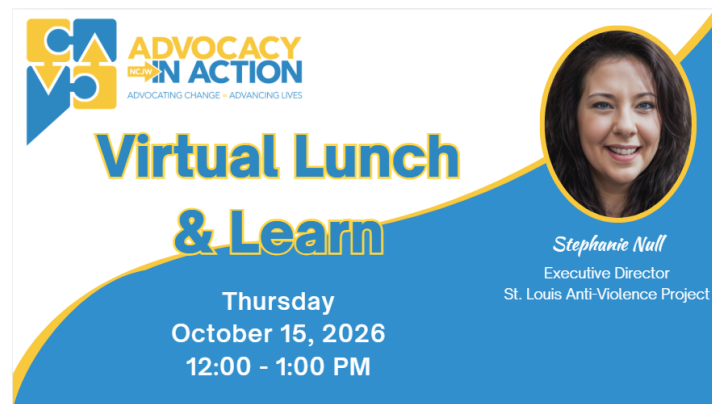
[Register Here](#)

Join NCJWSTL and Beacon Reproductive Health for a high-impact canvassing shift to help spread the word about voting **NO on Amendment 3**. You'll team up with passionate volunteers, get a quick training, and head out to knock doors, share accurate information, and make sure voters understand what's at stake. Every conversation helps build momentum and ensures our community is informed and ready to vote.

Show up, plug in, and make a real difference before Election Day.

Please [click here](#) to sign up for canvassing!

October Lunch and Learn: Relational Violence Within and to LGBTQ+ Community with Stephanie Null



When: Thursday, October 15 | 12:00 - 1:00 PM

Where: Zoom

[Register Here](#)

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. The LGBTQ+ community is often overlooked in domestic violence awareness, even though many LGBTQ+ survivors face high rates of abuse and significant barriers to support. When their experiences are left out of the conversation, it reinforces stigma and leaves critical gaps in safety, resources, and visibility. Centering LGBTQ+ voices is essential to creating a truly inclusive response to domestic violence.

For our October Virtual Lunch and Learn, NCJWSTL is thrilled to welcome Stephanie Null, Executive Director of the [St. Louis Anti-Violence Project](#). The St. Louis Anti-Violence Project is

dedicated to increasing awareness of relational violence to and within LGBTQ+ communities. The organization does this through education, advocacy, and outreach.

Please [click here](#) to register for the NCJWSTL Advocacy Series October Lunch & Learn. Questions? Email Jen Bernstein at jbernstein@ncjwstl.org or call [314.514.4974](tel:314.514.4974).

Volunteers Needed to Help Keep Abortion Legal in MO



We're organizing around a critical issue: **protecting abortion rights in Missouri**. You may have heard that the Missouri Legislature is bringing abortion rights back to the ballot under the same name, **Amendment 3**. We anticipate a strong misinformation campaign from the opposition, and we need to be strategic in order to fight it. Although the new measure will appear on the ballot on November 3, 2026, [now is the time to act](#).

We are looking for volunteers to work the polls, knock on doors, educate our communities, and notarize absentee ballots. If you're interested in getting involved, please [click here](#) to sign up. **It's going to take all of us.**

For any questions, please contact Jen Bernstein at jbernstein@ncjwstl.org.

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

Protect the First Amendment! Join the Right to Read Coalition

Support Missouri's Libraries! Join the Right to Read Coalition by [clicking here](#).

Right to Read is a statewide coalition of over 1,200 individuals and 103 organizations. NCJWSTL is a founding coalition member.

- Censorship denies our First Amendment rights to access books that reflect our diverse community.
- Missouri laws and policies have led to book bans and harmful regulations on our libraries.
- President Trump's Executive Order threatens to eliminate \$3 million of Federal funds for Missouri's libraries.

Get the latest information at [MO Right to Read – Supporting Missouri's Libraries](#).



Get FREE Emergency Contraception at NCJWSTL!



NCJWSTL is thrilled to announce that we have partnered with [Beacon Reproductive Health Network](#) 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, Beacon Reproductive Health Network, 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 jbernstein@ncjwstl.org.

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 2026! 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 full-page ads will run in the St. Louis Jewish Light during 2026.

- **\$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.

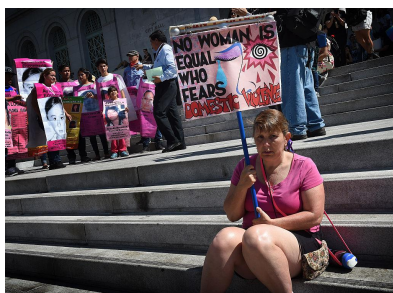
[Click here](#) to see the A-List flyer.

[Click here](#) to see the latest A-List Ad.

Join the A-list [here](#).



Interesting Reading



Oct. 1 marks the beginning of Domestic Violence Awareness Month, dedicated to bringing attention to domestic violence and supporting efforts to prevent it. More than one in three U.S. women experience a form of domestic violence in their lifetime.

In 2024, nearly 2,400 women were killed by men, according to the Violence Policy Center's (VPC) recent report, "When Men Murder Women: An Analysis of 2024 Homicide Data."

Of these, 86.9 percent knew their killer—nearly nine out of 10.

Firearms were used in 63.4 percent of these homicides.

[Click here](#) to read Sofia Little's article from Ms. Magazine, "A Restraining Order Is Not Enough When an Abuser Has a Gun."

Not yet a member of NCJWSTL? [Click here](#) 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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