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The Connecticut Worker Center received its first-ever grant of \$60,000 from the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) in [FY 2020-2021](#).

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT 2020-2021 GRANTEES			
Diocese	Grantee	Issue Area	Grant
Diocese Bridgeport	Connecticut Worker Center	Economic Justice	60,000.00

At issue is the fact that the Connecticut Worker Center (CWC) is a member of a pro-abortion coalition called the National Domestic Workers Alliance.

The CCHD absolutely forbids organizations from membership in organizations acting against Catholic teaching. In an [FAQ on the USCCB website](#), the CCHD directly answers the question about whether grantees may be members of coalitions that oppose Catholic teachings. In answer, the CCHD firmly stated, "CCHD will not fund groups that are knowingly members of coalitions that have as part of their organizational purpose or coalition agenda, positions or actions that contradict fundamental Catholic moral and social teaching."

### **What about participation in coalitions for a good purpose, like better wages or housing, that include groups acting against Catholic values on other issues?**

CCHD encourages groups to work across geographical, racial, ethnic, economic, and ideological lines to overcome poverty and advance the common good. However, CCHD will not fund groups that are knowingly members of coalitions that have as part of their organizational purpose or coalition agenda, positions or actions that contradict fundamental Catholic moral and social teaching (e.g. promotion or support of abortion, same-sex marriage, euthanasia, racism, as well as the use of the death penalty punitive measures toward immigrants, etc.). Prohibited activities include participation in or endorsing actions that promote legislation, and ballot initiatives (including voter guides and other written materials) that contradict Catholic moral or social teaching.

Despite this, the National Domestic Workers Alliance [identifies CWC as one of its](#)

[affiliates](#). Even though the "Chapters and Affiliates" page contains a disclaimer which says that the "views expressed on this website or otherwise by the National Domestic Workers Alliance do not necessarily reflect the views, positions or policies of NDWA affiliates," the disclaimer does no good to protect the organization from the CCHD guideline prohibiting membership in such groups.

**NATIONAL DOMESTIC WORKERS ALLIANCE**

**NDWA CHAPTERS & AFFILIATE ORGANIZATIONS**

NDWA chapters are local organizing projects staffed by NDWA organizers, including [We Dream in Black](#) projects specifically for Black domestic workers. **Explore our NDWA chapters and join us today!**

NDWA affiliates are independent domestic worker organizations in cities across the country. NDWA affiliates are not controlled by NDWA. The views expressed on this website or otherwise by the National Domestic Workers Alliance do not necessarily reflect the views, positions or policies of NDWA affiliates. The views expressed by NDWA affiliates do not necessarily reflect the views, positions or policies of NDWA. Contact any of our affiliates directly to find out more.

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All organizational affiliates of NDWA are required to pay annual dues, meaning that organizational membership in NDWA includes financial support for NDWA activism. According to [NDWA's Affiliate Manual](#), affiliates with an operating budget below \$250,000 pay \$50 every year. Affiliates whose operating budgets are between \$250,000 and \$500,000 pay \$100 every year. Affiliates with operating budgets between \$500,000 and \$1 million pay \$150 every year, and all others pay \$250 per year.

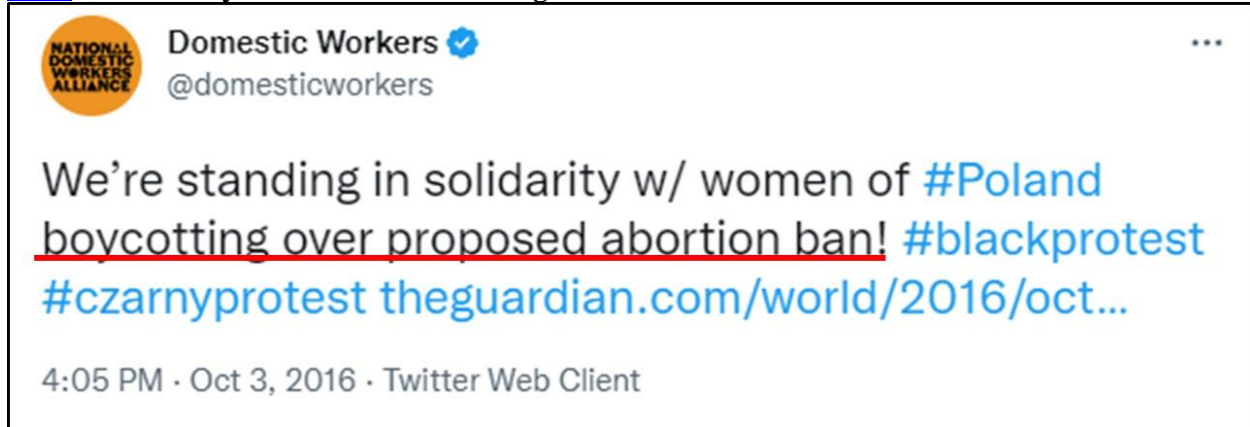
**AFFILIATE DUES:**

NDWA affiliate dues are used to support the participation of affiliates in NDWA's work - and they are an important way of sustaining our alliance together! Dues paid at any point in a given calendar year are applied to that year. For example, regardless of whether you pay in March or November or some other time in the year 2017, that payment is considered 2017 dues. Some NDWA programs (such as regrants) require you to be up to date with your dues so it's a good idea to pay as early in the year as possible. Dues are charged on a sliding scale, based on your domestic worker program budget (not your full organizational budget):

<u>Program Budget:</u>	<u>Dues:</u>
<u>Up to \$250,000</u>	<u>\$50 per year</u>
<u>\$250,000-\$500,000</u>	<u>\$100 per year</u>
<u>\$500,000-\$1,000,000</u>	<u>\$150 per year</u>
<u>Over \$1,000,000</u>	<u>\$250 per year</u>

With this in mind, there is no mistaking the fact that NDWA is a radically pro-abortion organization, which makes it impossible for any CCHD grantee to be a member.

And to show that NDWA's promotion of abortion well pre-dates this grant, [NDWA tweeted in 2016](#) its solidarity with Poland in standing AGAINST abortion bans.



In [2018, NDWA tweeted](#) "Rise up for Roe!"



Domestic Workers   
@domesticworkers



"Before we got the right to abortion, 90 percent of the women who died in NYC were black and Latina women. This is especially about women of color, that is who will be affected here." [@JessLivMo](#) [#RiseUpForRoe](#)

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In Rise Up for Roe, Our Stories Are Supposed to Save Us  
NEW YORK —“I’m Symone Sanders, I’m a CNN political commentator, and I’m pissed off...” Before she can finish, the room bursts into applause, but over the...

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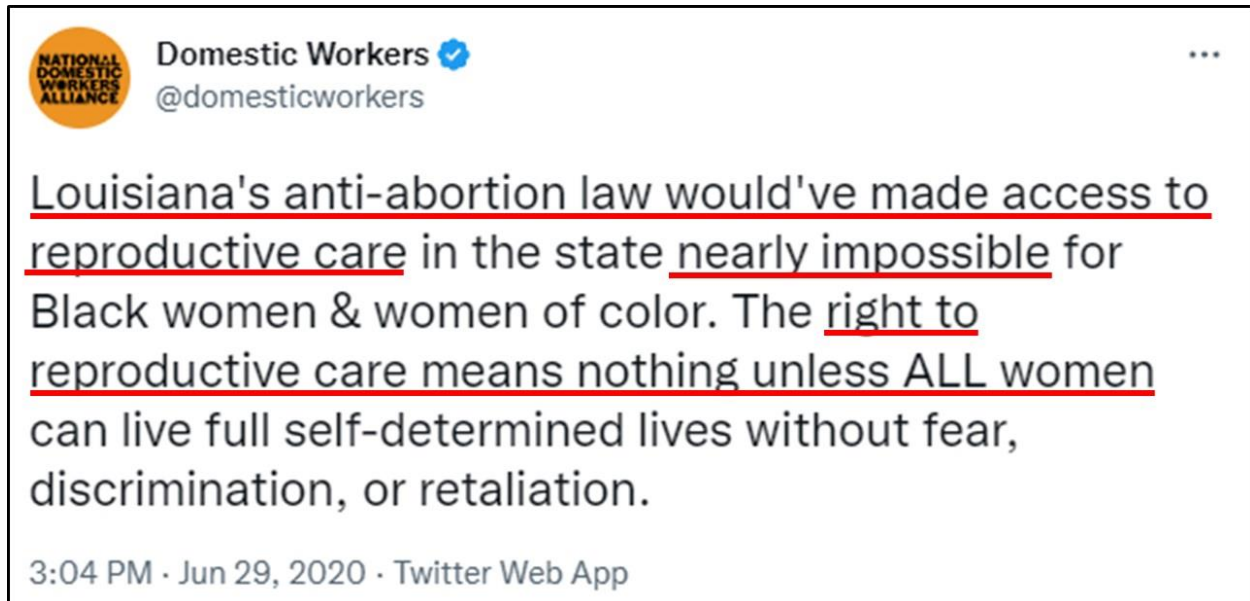


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Not only do these abortion bans put women’s health at risk, but they also destroy women’s dignity and sense of safety. [#StopTheBans](#)  
[buzzfeednews.com/article/briann...](#)

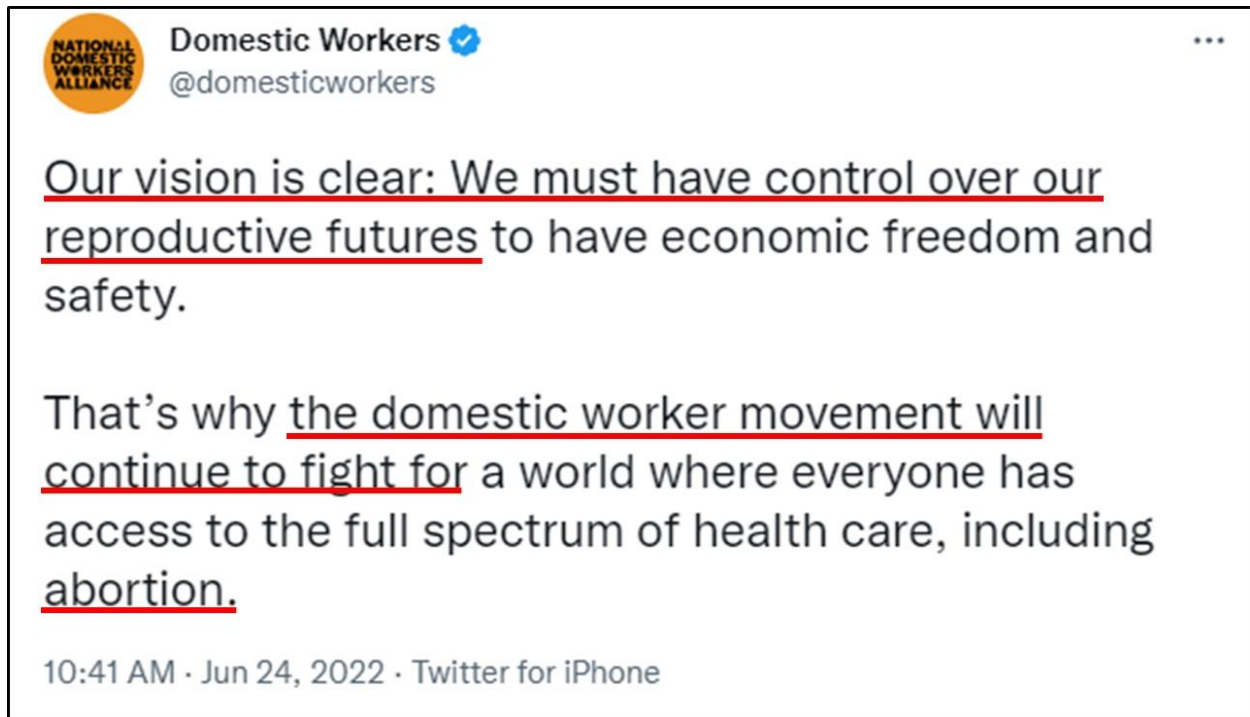
In [June of 2020](#), NDWA publicly supported the fight against Louisiana's anti-abortion law saying, "The right to reproductive care means nothing unless ALL women can live full self-determined lives."



On [June 24, 2022](#), the day the Supreme Court overturned Roe v. Wade, NDWA published a tweet calling for readers to donate to the National Network of Abortion Funds to "show solidarity" by providing "direct financial support for abortions."



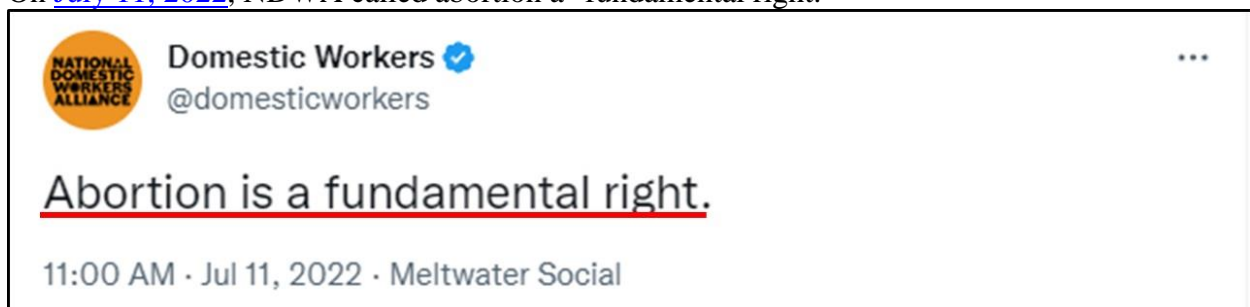
That same day, [NDWA issued a vision statement](#) regarding its entire alliance, declaring that "the domestic worker movement will continue to fight for a world where everyone has access to the full spectrum of health care, including abortion."



On [June 28, 2022](#), NDWA claimed that "Abortion is healthcare."



On [July 11, 2022](#), NDWA called abortion a "fundamental right."



But NDWA's activities in fighting for access to abortion isn't limited to mere social media screeds. NDWA has taken active initiatives in support of abortion. At some point, NDWA created a pledge card for people to sign saying, "[Stop the Abortion Bans!](#)"

# NATIONAL DOMESTIC WORKERS ALLIANCE



## STOP the Abortion Bans

The passage of a total abortion ban in Alabama marked a tipping point.

Anti-choice politicians from Missouri to Alabama to Georgia are trying to overturn Roe v. Wade. And with every abortion ban they pass, they're getting closer to their goal.

**These are the same politicians who are tearing families apart at the border, fomenting racist attacks in our communities and dismantling our democracy. Let's be clear: this is about stripping away women's freedom and autonomy. And we're fighting back.**

We know that women of color and low-income women are the most affected by bans on abortion. **Together, we'll fight back and stop the bans. Join us by pledging to stand up against this wave of extreme bans on abortion.**

*I Pledge: to show up, speak out, and fight back against this unconstitutional attempt to gut Roe v. Wade and punish women. Politicians cannot make decisions best left to women, their families, and their doctors.*

*[Your Name]*

### PLEDGE TO TAKE ACTION FOR WOMEN

Not in US?

- Are you a nanny, house cleaner or homecare worker? We'll reach out with resources and ways to connect with other domestic workers like you.

ADD YOUR NAME

During the Trump administration, [NDWA created a petition](#) to stop blocking immigrants and refugees from accessing abortion.

TO: The Trump Administration

# Tell Trump: Not 1 More Jane Doe!



396 OF 400 SIGNATURES

Julia Brooke B. signed 11-07-2021 Paola P. signed 08-01-2020 Katherine H. signed 07-29-2018

Stop blocking immigrant and refugee women's access to safe abortions. Policies that deny reproductive care are a danger to immigrant and refugee women's health and safety.

### Why is this important?

Earlier this month, Jane Doe, a 17 year old refugee risked her life and crossed the border alone seeking refuge in the United States. When she arrived, immigration officials detained her against her will. She soon found out she was pregnant and decided to seek an abortion.

The Trump administration stepped in, using every tool at their disposal to force Jane to maintain an unwanted pregnancy. They subjected her to coercive religious counseling and an invasive sonogram.

A federal appeals court overturned the administration's attempts to block her access, but the fight for reproductive freedom for women like Jane is not over. Her case is part of a pattern and policy of denying abortion care to refugee and immigrant women and girls.

The man trying to control Jane's body and her future is a well-known anti-contraception and anti-abortion activist, E. Scott Lloyd, who now oversees Trump's Office of Refugee Resettlement. With no relevant experience, Lloyd is still in office and has the power to decide the fate of thousands of refugee women like Jane.

We can't let men like Lloyd control our bodies. We know they won't stop at Jane. Add your name to demand access to reproductive health care for all immigrant and refugee women.

## Sign this petition

First Name \*

Last Name \*

Email \*

ZIP Code \*

Mobile

SIGN

Note: By signing, you agree to receive email messages from MoveOn Civic Action and MoveOn Political Action. You may unsubscribe at any time. [See Privacy Policy](#)

## In 2021, NDWA sign onto a letter calling for protection of access to abortion.

Today, women across the country are raising their voices to tell our leaders what we need. Together, as a movement and with a unified voice, we demand that Congress deliver on five policies women need to survive and thrive across the country, across communities and experiences, and across our lifespans:

- 1. Pass the Build Back Better Agenda:** Congress must extend the child care tax credit and guarantee 12 weeks of paid family and medical leave. We need to invest in affordable child care, universal pre-k for all families, expanded home and community-based services, better wages for care workers, and maternal health care. Additionally, we need a long-promised path to citizenship for immigrants.
- 2. Protect abortion rights and access:** Pass legislation, including the Women's Health Protection Act, to protect and expand access to abortion care regardless of where a person lives, how much money they make, or their immigration status.
- 3. Reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act:** This law is essential to protecting and supporting survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault and expanding prevention efforts.
- 4. Protect voting rights:** Voting rights are a cornerstone of our democracy and a free vote protects all other rights. Our lawmakers must protect every American from the relentless attacks on our right to vote, especially for Black, Brown, Asian American and Pacific Islander, young voters, and voters with disabilities.
- 5. Criminal legal reform:** To advance racial and gender equity and justice, we need to reimagine public safety and crisis response through investments in non-carceral, non-punitive public health solutions to community, family, and school safety. We must end mass incarceration/mass criminalization, and root out gender, racial, and disability bias from every aspect of the criminal legal system.

Women don't live our lives in silos – we need all of these policies to build a country where women and families can thrive. The President has laid out an agenda to meet the moment with us. It's up to Congress to deliver.

Our movement stands ready to work with our elected officials and champions in Congress to get this agenda passed. Even now in this moment of global crisis, especially now, the women and girls and families of our country need us to succeed and to make the united state of women strong.

### In solidarity,

- 9to5
- ACCESS Reproductive Justice
- American Association of People with Disabilities
- American Association of University Women (AAUW)
- Black Women's Roundtable, NCBCP
- Care In Action
- Caring Across Generations
- Change Begins With ME (Indivisible)
- End Rape On Campus
- ERA Coalition
- Esperanza United (Formerly Casa de Esperanza: National Latin@ Network)
- Feminist Majority
- Feminist Women's Health Center
- Girls for Gender Equity
- Institute for Women's Policy Research
- In Our Own Voice: National Black Women's Reproductive Justice Agenda
- Indivisible San Francisco
- It's On Us
- Jewish Women International (JWI)
- Just Solutions
- Justice for Migrant Women
- me too. International
- MomsRising
- Marshall Plan for Moms
- Mississippi Black Women's Roundtable
- NARAL Pro-Choice America
- National Alliance to End Sexual Violence
- National Asian Pacific American Women's Forum (NAPAWF)
- National Council of Jewish Women
- National Crittenton
- National Domestic Workers Alliance**
- National Latina Institute for Reproductive Justice
- National Network to End Domestic Violence
- National Organization for Women
- National Partnership for Women & Families
- National Urban League
- Not on Ruth's Watch
- NWAAF – Northwest Abortion Access Fund
- National Women's Law Center
- Paid Leave for All
- Planned Parenthood Action Fund
- Resilience, formerly Rape Victim Advocates
- Service Employees International Union (SEIU)
- Supermajority Education Fund
- The Center for Reproductive Rights
- UltraViolet
- United State of Women
- Vote Run Lead
- We Demand More Coalition
- Women Employed
- Women's March
- Women's Media Center
- YWCA USA

## Conclusion



There is no way any organization can be a member of the National Domestic Workers Alliance and be a grantee of the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Not only do grant guidelines explicitly forbid such a relationship, but having anything to do with an organization as thoroughly committed to the murder of babies in the womb can only implicate the organizational member in the same.