



Better Future Legislative Slate: An Economy for Women

Women's economic freedom is one of the key pillars of the DWC's [*Better Future Agenda*](#). As Trump and Republicans threaten women's economic security, freedoms, and opportunities, the Democratic Women's Caucus has a bold vision for a new path forward. We demand a future with lower costs that closes the gender pay gap and combats wage theft; expands access to affordable childcare and paid family leave; strengthens retirement security; supports small business owners and entrepreneurs; protects workers' rights and unions; and ensures economic opportunity for all working families. DWC members are proud to champion legislative solutions that will deliver financial stability, lower costs, economic justice, and opportunity for women and families. Below is a slate of DWC member-led bills aimed at building a more prosperous, equitable future for all.

Affordable Care

- **H.R.5658 – *Child Care for Every Community Act***
 - This bill, led by DWC member Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (NY-14) and Senator Elizabeth Warren (D-Mass.), would expand access to affordable childcare to every American family, offer high-quality early education to every child, and create good jobs for our early educators by providing a mandatory federal investment to establish and support a network of locally run Child Care and Early Learning Centers and Family Child Care Homes. These centers would cap childcare costs to no more than 7% of their income and families making less than 75% of their state median income would be fully subsidized for care at these centers.
- **H.R. 2763 – *American Family Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC member Rosa DeLauro (CT-03), would make permanent the expanded, monthly Child Tax Credit.
- **H.R. 7917 – *Fair Wages for Home Care Workers Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC member Alexandria Ocasio Cortez (NY-14), would ensure that certain caregiving employees are no longer exempted from overtime and minimum wage.
- **H.J.Res.123 – *Providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services relating to "Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; Marketplace Integrity and Affordability"***
 - This resolution, introduced by DWC Vice Chair Emilia Sykes (OH-13), would overturn a Trump administration rule ("Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; Marketplace Integrity and Affordability") making it harder and more expensive for Americans to

enroll for health care coverage on the *Affordable Care Act* (ACA) marketplaces. Issued by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) on June 25, 2025, the Trump administration's rule will raise premiums and out-of-pocket costs, allow insurers to scale back covered services, and impose new barriers on families who rely on the marketplaces for affordable coverage. DWC submitted a public comment letter opposing this rule.

- **H.R. 8540 – *Home and Community-Based Services Access Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC Caregiving Task Force Co-Chair Debbie Dingell (MI-06), would ensure eligible older adults and people with disabilities have a real choice of care and support options between home care and institutional care. The bill would, over time, eliminate HCBS waiting lists and the need for states to repeatedly apply for HCBS waivers.
- **Economic Dignity for All Agenda (*BOOST Act, End Child Poverty Act, Baby Bonus Act*)**
 - This agenda, introduced by DWC member Rashida Tlaib (MI-12), would lower costs for families by providing \$250/month to adults aged 19 to 67 years old and provide new parents with \$2,000, bringing economic stability to households. Additionally, the End Child Poverty Act, co-led by DWC member Ilhan Omar (MN-05), would provide a universal child benefit of \$458 per child, per month.
- **H.R.7610 – *Multigenerational Home Caregiver Credit Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC Caregiving Task Force Co-Chair Debbie Dingell (MI-06), would address the nationwide aging crisis and combat skyrocketing healthcare costs by creating a \$2,000 tax credit for adults caring for an older family member within the same residence.
- **H.R. 3273 – *Child Care Workforce Development Act***
 - This bill, introduced by Democratic Whip Katherine Clark (MA-05), would create a student loan repayment program for early childhood educators and establish a program to provide grants to individuals pursuing a childhood development credential.
- **H.R. 6312 – *The Tri-Share Child Care Pilot Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC Vice Chair Hillary Scholten (MI-03), would establish a Federal pilot program for cost-sharing of childcare expenses among employers, employees, and government.
- **H.R. 6656 – *Child Care Access & Affordability Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC Whip Kristen McDonald Rivet (MI-08), would require the Government Accountability Office (GAO) to produce a report on issues families encounter when searching for childcare.

Lower Costs for Women and Families

- **H.R. 2512 – *Hot Foods Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC member Grace Meng (NY-09), would permit the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) to cover hot food purchases.
- **H.R. 4966 – *Stop Price Gouging in Grocery Stores Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC members Rashida Tlaib (MI-12) and Val Hoyle (OR-04), would prohibit price gouging by grocery stores.
- **H.R. 2489 – *Hunger-Free Future Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC Communications Task Force Co-Chair Shontel Brown (OH-11), would protect the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) from

backdoor benefit cuts by requiring that any updates to the Thrifty Food Plan (TFP) do not result in an increase in hunger among low-income families.

- **H.R. 2016 – *Feed Our Families Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC Vice Chair Emilia Sykes (OH-13), would provide federal funding to carry out the *Food and Nutrition Act of 2008* for 9 days if the government shuts down.
- **H.R. 3784 – *Farmers Feeding America Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC Congressional Hispanic Caucus Liaison Andrea Salinas (OR-06), would help food banks meet demand and ensure families stay fed and healthy by expanding the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s (USDA) ability to purchase food directly from producers.
- **H.R. 3374 – *Pink Tax Repeal Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC New Dem Coalition Liaison Norma Torres (CA-35), would protect women from paying more than men for the same products and services.
- **H.R. 2064 – *Home of Your Own Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC Chair Teresa Leger Fernández (NM-03), would create a national homeownership grant program through HUD to provide one-time, \$30,000 homeownership assistance to eligible first-time homebuyers who earn up to 120 or 150 percent of the area median income. Assistance can be used for down payments and other costs associated with closing and is available at the time of purchase.
- **H.R. 3508 – *End Diaper Need Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC member Rosa DeLauro (CT-03) provides targeted funding for states, territories, diaper banks and other eligible entities who help provide diapers and diapering supplies at no cost to those in need.
- **H.R. 7774 – *The Federal Enhancement and Revitalization of Reliable Infrastructure for Essential Seaways (FERRIES) Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC Whip Emily Randall (WA-06), increases funding in all four federal ferry programs, which families rely on to be able to access reliable, low-cost public transit to commute to work, school, appointments, and other activities.
- **H.R. 3664 – *Prohibit Auto Insurance Discrimination (PAID) Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC member Bonnie Watson Coleman (NJ-12), would end the use of income, credit score, education levels, and other racial proxies unrelated to driving history and ability, preventing insurance companies from using these details to raise rates for low-income individuals, non-homeowners, and others who otherwise have good driving records.
- **H.R. 2427 – *Stop Disaster Price Gouging Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC member Laura Friedman (CA-30), would prohibit excessive price hikes on essential goods, housing, and construction materials after a federally-declared disaster. The bill would also establish a \$25,000 penalty for violations, the proceeds of which would go directly to supporting disaster victims. Additionally, the bill would empower victims and state attorneys general to take legal action against exploitative businesses.

Women’s Financial Security

- **H.R. 17 – *Paycheck Fairness Act***

- This bill, introduced by DWC member Rosa DeLauro (CT-03), would combat wage discrimination and help close the wage gap by strengthening the *Equal Pay Act of 1963* and ensuring women can challenge pay discrimination and hold employers accountable.
- **H.Con.Res. 21 – *Equal Pay Day***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC Chair Emerita Lois Frankel (FL-22), would raise awareness of the gender wage gap and its impact on women, families, and the nation.
- **H.Con.Res. 114 – *Recognizing the significance of equal pay and the disparity in wages paid to men and to Black women.***
 - This resolution, introduced by DWC member Alma Adams (NC-12), would highlight the significance of the pay gap between non-Hispanic White men and Black women.
- **H.Con.Res. 56 – *Latina Equal Pay Day***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC Chair Teresa Leger Fernández (NM-03), would call on Congress to recognize the disparity in wages paid to Latinas, the significance of equal pay, and its larger impact on women, families, and the economy.
- **H.Con.Res. 80 – *Recognizing the duty of Congress to meet the need of working women***
 - This resolution, introduced by DWC New Member Liaison LaMonica McIver (NJ-10), would affirm that today’s working families deserve a quality and affordable life which can only be made possible by addressing the immediate needs of working women.
- **H.R. 3974 – *Protect Black Women and Girls Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC member Robin Kelly (IL-02), would establish a task force to examine the socioeconomic conditions and experiences of Black women and girls.
- **H.R. 8185 – *Housing Emergencies Lifeline Program (HELP) Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC Reproductive Healthcare Task Force Co-Chair & Liaison Ayanna Pressley (MA-07), would require HUD to establish a national database to track eviction patterns and disparities, fund legal counsel for those at-risk of being evicted, and require HUD to establish and promote a national hotline to guide tenants to the eviction prevention resources they need where they live.
- **H.R. 8351 – *Clean Slate through Repayment Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC Policy Task Force Co-Chair Deborah Ross (NC-02), would remove default records from federal student loan borrowers’ credit history who have acted to rectify their defaulted loan, helping borrowers hit the reset button.
- **H.R. 2007 – *Salary Transparency Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC member Eleanor Holmes Norton (DC-at-Large), would require employers to provide the salary range for jobs in advertisements and interviews and to existing employees.
- **H.R. 2219 – *Salary History Question Prohibition Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC member Eleanor Holmes Norton (DC-at-Large), would prohibit employers from asking job applicants for their salary history before making a job or salary offer.
- **H.R. 5975 – *Appraisal Modernization Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC Reproductive Healthcare Task Force Co-Chair & Liaison Ayanna Pressley (MA-07), aims to reduce disparities in housing appraisals by requiring a second appraisal when discrimination is suspected.

Fair Taxes for Women and Families

- **H.R. 6318 – *No GOUGE Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC member Rosa DeLauro (CT-03), would establish a ban on using tariffs as a pretext for price gouging, with a focus on companies with outsize influence and leverage in the market.
- **H.R. 2047 – *Pink Tariffs Study Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC member Lizzie Fletcher (TX-07), would require the U.S. Department of Treasury to conduct a study on gender bias and regressivity within the U.S. tariff system and report the findings to Congress.
- **H.R. 463 – *Lower Your Taxes Act***
 - This bill, reintroduced by DWC Vice Chair Emilia Sykes (OH-13), would raise taxes on corporations and expand the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) and the Child Tax Credit (CTC).
- **H.R. 7822 – *Tariff Relief for Consumers Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC member Rosa DeLauro (CT-03), would establish a program requiring companies receiving more than \$5 million in tariff refunds to take steps to provide relief at the register for consumers by an amount equal to the tariff refunds they received.
- **H.R. 1306 – *Tax Fairness for Survivors Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC Chair Emerita Lois Frankel (FL-22), removes the tax penalty on settlements, awards, and judgments paid to survivors of sexual harassment and assault.
- **H.R. 2898 – *EITC Lookback Act***
 - This resolution, introduced by DWC Vice Chair Emilia Sykes (OH-13), would allow individuals to use an earned income value from up to one year ago when calculating their EITC, allowing recipients to get a larger credit amount if their income was reduced in previous years due to unemployment or other reasons. This would release financial burdens from women who take time off for caregiving responsibilities and return to the workforce.

Workplace & Labor Rights

- **H.R. 5390 – *The FAMILY Act***
 - This bill, led by DWC member Rosa DeLauro (CT-03), would provide workers with up to 12 weeks of partial income when they take time for their own serious health conditions, including pregnancy and childbirth recovery; the health condition of a family member; the birth or adoption of a child; the effects of domestic violence, sex assault or stalking; and/or to make arrangements arising from the military deployment of a family member.
- **H.R. 7531 – *Healthy Families Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC member Rosa DeLauro (CT-03), would allow Americans to earn paid sick time to address the health needs of themselves and their families.
- **H.R. 3971 – *Domestic Workers Bill of Rights Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus Liaison Pramila Jayapal (WA-07), would extend workplace rights and protections to the 2.2

million domestic workers in the US, who are currently excluded from the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA).

- **H.R. 6786 – *The Schedules That Work Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC member Rosa DeLauro (CT-03), would grant employees the right to request a schedule change without fear of retaliation. The bill also grants employees a right to adequate rest by requiring employers to provide 11 hours between scheduled shifts—or time-and-a-half pay if an employee consents to work.
- **H.R. 5228 – *Home and Community-Based Services Worker Protection Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC Caregiving Task Force Co-Chair Debbie Dingell (MI-06), would strike language from the so-called “One Big Beautiful Bill” that would prohibit Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) workers from being able to make deductions from their own pay for health insurance, skills training, union dues, charity contributions, and other employment benefits that other workers enjoy.
- **H.R. 8541 – *Long-Term Care Workforce Protection Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC Caregiving Task Force Co-Chair Debbie Dingell (MI-06), would provide funding for the long-term care workforce, including nursing home and home-care workers. The bill aims to make caregiving a sustainable career through investments and labor protections. Stabilizing, growing, and supporting the direct care professional workforce is essential to ensuring a strong, qualified pipeline of workers to provide needed services to older adults and people with disabilities.
- **H.R. 6312 – *The Reproductive Healthcare Leave Act***
 - This bill, introduced by Rep. Yassamin Ansari (AZ-03), would allow Americans to receive paid leave time to address symptoms related to reproductive health conditions and procedures.
- **H.R. 5761 – *Fair Warning Act***
 - This resolution, introduced by DWC Vice Chair Emilia Sykes (OH-13), would update the *Worker Adjustment and Retraining (WARN) Act of 1988*, hold employers accountable, and give workers and communities the notice they need to best prepare for and recover from employer decisions that cost them their jobs.
- **H.R. 7513 – *GSIB Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC Reproductive Healthcare Task Force Co-Chair & Liaison Ayanna Pressley (MA-07), would require the largest banks to report to the Federal Reserve annually on the diversity of the company’s board and senior executives, whistleblower and ethics complaints, labor and safety violations, and more. The bill ensures transparency about who has a seat at the table at the biggest banks and decisions made at those banks.
- **H.R. 6445 – *Fast Track Healthcare Apprenticeships Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC Equality Caucus Liaison Julie Johnson (TX-32), would streamline and update federal and state labor agencies’ health care apprenticeship application process by requiring agencies to make determinations on health care apprenticeship applications within 45 days of receipt and digitize agreement forms.
- **H.R. 4740 – *No Tax on Overtime for All Workers Act***
 - This resolution, introduced by DWC Vice Chair Emilia Sykes (OH-13), would expand the no tax on overtime provision for workers whose eligibility was excluded from the provisions included in H.R. 1, the *One Big Beautiful Bill*. The *No Tax on Overtime for All Workers Act* broadens the definition of qualified overtime compensation to include

overtime work done by workers who are covered under the *Railroad Labor Act* and includes overtime as it is defined by collective bargaining agreements.

- **H.R. 7505 – *Flexible Leave Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC Whip Sarah McBride (Delaware-at-Large), would amend the *Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993* to allow leave to be taken on an intermittent schedule.
- **H.R. 7804 – *Better Labor Statistics (BLS) Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC Reproductive Healthcare Task Force Co-Chair & Liaison Ayanna Pressley (MA-07), would codify the collection of unemployment demographics data by the Bureau of Labor Statistics for continued transparency about workforce disparities.

Accessible Education

- **H.R. 4253 – *Expanding Access to Mental Health Services in Schools Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC member Rosa DeLauro (CT-03), would support states and high-need local educational agencies in increasing the number of mental health services providers in schools—reducing the caregiving burden on mothers and providing management of their children's emotional needs at school.
- **H.R. 5774 – *Every Child Deserves a Head Start Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC Chair Teresa Leger Fernández (NM-03), would permanently establish and protect the Office of Head Start and its 12 regional offices to guard against the Trump administration's efforts to close Head Start regional offices.
- **H.R. 3985 – *Helping Student Parents Succeed Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC Congressional Black Caucus Liaison Lucy McBath (GA-07), would help pregnant and parenting students connect with child care, leave options, and other accommodations at their school, so they can focus on their education and academic success without the constant worry of locating childcare or housing.
- **H.R. 3274 – *Child Care Infrastructure Act***
 - This bill, introduced by Democratic Whip Katherine Clark (MA-05), would establish a program at HHS to award grants to states for the purpose of constructing new or renovating existing childcare facilities to help build childcare capacity and ensure safe early learning facilities for children.
- **H.R. 6672 – *Mental Health Professionals Workforce Shortage Loan Repayment Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC Congressional Hispanic Caucus Liaison Andrea Salinas (OR-06), would establish a loan repayment program to help more people obtain degrees in mental and behavioral health to address the workforce crisis. Women constitute over 70% of the mental health workforce.
- **H.R.8752 – *Full-Service Community School Expansion Act***
 - This bill, led by DWC member Susie Lee (NV-03), would provide essential resources for school districts to plan for, implement, expand, and support full-service community schools. Community schools are public schools that provide wraparound support services, such as medical, mental, and nutrition health services, mentoring and youth development programs, technical assistance, and continuing education courses for students and families. Full-service community schools have a proven track record of

producing tangible results for students – including advancing academic achievement, as well as reducing chronic absenteeism and suspensions.

- **H.R. 2852 -- *Expanded Student Saver's Tax Credit Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC Equality Caucus Liaison Julie Johnson (TX-32), would allow full-time students with earned income to qualify for the federal Saver's Match, helping more young women to start saving for retirement while they're still in school.
- **H.R. 3994 – *Understanding Student Parent Outcomes Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC Policy Task Force Co-Chair Deborah Ross (NC-02), would support pregnant and parenting students by collecting data on barriers to graduating college for pregnant students, student parents, and caregivers. It would also establish best practice for institutions of higher education to improve graduation rates and help Americans complete their education.

Women Entrepreneurs and Small Businesses

- **H.R. 1035 – *Job Protection Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC member Lauren Underwood (IL14), would extend FMLA protections to employees of small businesses with fewer than 50 employees. The bill also reduces the time an employee must work before qualifying for FMLA.
- **H.R. 7206 – *Farm and Family Relief Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC member Angie Craig (MN-02), provides supplemental economic assistance to family farmers struggling with high input costs and market losses caused by President Trump's tariffs and trade wars.
- **H.R. 3793 – *Minority Entrepreneurship Grant Program Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC Chief Whip Nikema Williams (GA-05), would create a Small Business Administration grant program for entrepreneurs at minority-serving institutions.
- **H.R. 2638 – *Women in Agriculture Act***
 - This bill, led by DWC Chairwoman Teresa Leger Fernández (NM-03), would create a Women Farmers and Ranchers Liaison at the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and prioritize funding for childcare facilities in rural areas.
- **H.R. 1816 – *WOSB Accountability Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC member Nydia Velázquez (NY-07), would ensure federal agencies only count contracts awarded to SBA-certified women-owned small businesses towards their procurement goals.

Dignity in Retirement

- **H.R. 1700 – *Social Security Expansion Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC member Val Hoyle (OR-04), would expand Social Security benefits by \$2,400 a year and ensure Social Security is fully funded for the next 75 years by applying the Social Security payroll tax on all income above \$250,000.
- **H.R. 2023 – *Women's Retirement Act***

- This bill, introduced by DWC member Lauren Underwood (IL-14), would help close the retirement gap and improve women's financial security by addressing challenges that affect women as they plan for their financial futures.
- **H.R. 2023 – *Women's Retirement Protection Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC member Lauren Underwood (IL-14), would strengthen retirement security for women by addressing systemic barriers like unequal pay and caregiving gaps.
- **H.R. 5701 – *Fair Social Security for Domestic Violence Survivors Act***
 - This bill, introduced by DWC Vice Chair Emilia Sykes (OH-13), would lower the current 10-year marriage requirement for spousal Social Security benefits to five years for individuals who divorce due to domestic abuse.

DWC Letters in the 119th Congress:

Below is a list of letters sent by the Democratic Women's Caucus to fight for women's economic security by demanding an economy built for women and families, addressing workplace inequities, and expanding access to affordable childcare, healthcare, paid leave, and quality education. Through these actions, DWC consistently pushes back against policies and practices that create financial hardship for women, insisting on fair wages, lowering costs, retirement security, and supporting women entrepreneurs and small business owners.

- **March 6, 2025 – [Letter on Reinstatement of Child Care Workers](#)**
 - Demands reinstatement of Office of Head Start and Office of Child Care workers.
- **March 25, 2025 – [Letter to Trump on Tariff Policies](#)**
 - Describes the impact of Trump's tariff policies on women and families.
- **March 27, 2025 – [Letter to Trump on Dismissal of EEOC Commissioners](#)**
 - Urges Trump to reinstate EEOC Commissioners Burrows and Samuels.
- **April 14, 2025 – [Letter to DOL on Women's Bureau](#)**
 - Calls for DOL Secretary to protect and strengthen the Women's Bureau.
- **April 30, 2025 – [Letter to Donald Trump on Family Proposals](#)**
 - Demands for policies and services that support working mothers and families.
- **June 16, 2025 – [Follow Up Letter on Women's Bureau](#)**
 - Urges for the DOL Secretary to fully fund and restore Women's Bureau.
- **June 18, 2025 – [Letter to Senate on EEOC Confirmation](#)**
 - Expresses concern over Commissioner Lucas's record of undermining workplace protections for women.
- **June 18, 2025 – [Letter to Treasury on Tariff Impacts](#)**
 - Calls for Treasury Department to analyze the tariff system's impact on women.
- **September 3, 2025 – [Letter to DOL on Harmful Rules](#)**
 - Urges DOL to withdraw proposed rules that threaten women's economic security.
- **September 17, 2025 – [Letter to DOL on Women Leaving the Workforce](#)**
 - Expresses deep concern about the alarming rate of women leaving the workforce.
- **November 25, 2025 – [Letter to EEOC on Workplace Harassment Guidelines](#)**

- Urges Commissioner Lucas to not rescind the EEOC's Enforcement Guidance on Harassment in the Workplace.
- **December 11, 2025** – [Letter to NWSL on Collective Bargaining Agreements](#)
 - Urges the NWSL to uphold the CBA to comply with federal labor laws.
- **February 5, 2026** – [Letter to HHS on Child Care and Development Fund](#)
 - Demands HHS reverse a proposed rule that will make childcare less affordable and accessible.
- **March 3, 2026** – [Letter to Department of Education on "Professional Student" Reclassification](#)
 - Calls for the expansion of the definition of "professional", so students get adequate funding.
- **March 6, 2026** – [Follow Up Letter to WNBA on CBA](#)
 - Urges the WNBA to negotiate in good faith on the players CBA and requests status update on negotiations.
- **April 8, 2026** – [Letter to Appropriations Committee on Centering Women and Families in FY 2027 Funding Process](#)
 - Calls for specific policies and robust funding for programs throughout the federal government that help women and families thrive.
- **April 20, 2026** – [Letter to EEOC on Coca Cola Lawsuit](#)
 - Calls on the EEOC to rescind its lawsuit against Coca-Cola Beverages Northeast for hosting a women's networking and professional development event.
- **June 15, 2026** – [Letter to Demand HHS Withdraw Harmful Head Start Rule](#)
 - Urges HHS to withdraw the proposed rule that would repeal higher wages and expanded benefits for Head Start workers and instead prioritize funding to strengthen Head Start and support childcare workers, families, and children.
- **June 23, 2026** – [Letter to Department of Education on Office of Civil Rights Failures](#)
 - Urges Department of Education to cease baseless investigations and demonstrate immediate progress in effectively resolving all pending OCR cases to deliver real enforceable legal protection for students facing discrimination based on their sex.
- **July 2, 2026** – [Letter to HHS on Teen Pregnancy Prevention Programs](#)
 - Demands the immediate reversal of the administration's cancellation of 53 active Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program (TPP) grants, totaling to \$68 million in funding.
- **July 14, 2026** – [Letter to USDA to Reverse Rejection of Women Farmers for United Soybean Board](#)
 - Calls on the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) to reverse its decision rejecting the nominations of four qualified women farmers to the United Soybean Board
- **July 15, 2026** – [Letter Opposing Trump Admin Plan to Let Politicians Dismantle Federal Funding for Women Based on Political Ideology](#)
 - Opposes the administration's efforts to overtake and weaponize the federal grants process and advance their ideological agenda at the expense of women and families.
- **August 25, 2026** – [Letter to EEOC in Regards to their Proposal to End Demographic Data Collection Key to Fighting Workplace Discrimination](#)
 - Urges the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) to reverse its proposed rule that would end the Equal Employment Opportunity reporting requirements to collect demographic data.
- **September 15, 2026** – [Letter to HHS Opposing Rule to Gut Head Start](#)

- Urges to withdraw their proposed rule to gut 90% of Head Start Program Performance Standards (HSPPS) that would increase costs for families and eliminate educational resources women and families rely on.

DWC Events in the 119th Congress:

Below is a list of events hosted by the Democratic Women's Caucus to shed light on the barriers women face to achieving economic security. We create spaces for collaboration around policies that champion an economy that supports women and families, advance workplace equity, and expand access to affordable childcare, healthcare, paid leave, and quality education.

- March 4, 2025 – [Betrayed for Billionaires Press Conference](#)
 - Ahead of Trump's joint address to Congress, DWC members called out Trump for prioritizing tax breaks for billionaires over women and families.
- March 25, 2025 – [Equal Pay Day Press Conference](#)
 - DWC members called on Republicans to pass the *Paycheck Fairness Act*, which would combat wage discrimination and help close the wage gap.
- May 1, 2025 – [The Faces of Trump's Betrayal](#)
 - To mark Trump's first 100 days, DWC members gathered to hear directly from women on how Trump's chaos, corruption, and attacks have impacted them.
- June 12, 2025 – [Big Betrayal of Women Forum](#)
 - Impacted women and experts provided powerful testimony about the attacks on women in Republicans' so-called "Big Beautiful Bill," including cuts to Medicaid, the Affordable Care Act, and food assistance; regressive tax policies; and blocking access to reproductive health care.
- September 10, 2025 – [Women's National Basketball Player's Association Press Call](#)
 - DWC members urged the Women's National Basketball Association (WNBA) to bargain in good faith with the WNBPA to reach a fair collective bargaining agreement (CBA).
- December 10, 2025 – [Trump the Grinch: The Impact of Republicans' Disastrous Economy on Women and Families this Holiday Season](#)
 - DWC members shed light on how Trump and Republicans' economy have caused rising unemployment rates, led us into a 'stag-flation' economy, hurt small business owners with rollercoaster tariffs, and destroyed the programs that help women and families survive.
- February 5, 2026 – [Trump's Report Card: Failing Working Women](#)
 - DWC convened experts on women workers and the economy to discuss the consequences of Trump and Republicans actions and what DWC is doing to fight for an economy that is built for all women and families, not just billionaires.
- March 26, 2026 – [Equal Pay Day Press Conference](#)
 - DWC members called attention to the growing wage gap and renewed their promise to fight to close the wage gap.
- April 16, 2026 – [DWC X Future Forum Roundtable: Gen Z at the Table](#)
 - DWC members highlighted how the issues Congress confronts each day—like affordability and health care accessibility—are already shaping Gen Z's experiences and will have lasting consequences for their futures.
- April 28, 2026 – [Moms Pay the Price Hearing](#)

- Moms from across the country shared how difficult Trump and Republicans have made their lives rather than promoting policies that would uplift them.
- September 15, 2026 – [Protect Head Start Press Conference](#)
 - DWC members joined parents and advocates to call on Trump and HHS to stop their attempts to dismantle Head Start.