2022 IN REVIEW
Even though we expected it, the Supreme Court’s decision in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women’s Health Organization* was gut-wrenching. We have borne witness as millions of women and others who can become pregnant lose access to abortion care as bans on these services went into effect across the country. We have seen doctors—and even friends and family members—confront the fear of prosecution just for helping those seeking care. And we are facing the reality that a new wave of attacks on contraception has already begun.

But the end of *Roe v. Wade* is not the end of this fight. Not by a long shot.

With support from people like you, we’ve kept up our decades-long fight to secure reproductive freedom for all—and we’re still getting results. From states like Michigan and New York to cities like Atlanta, GA, and St. Louis, MO, NIRH and our partners are securing proactive policies where we can and building the networks needed to win back not just the right to make the choices best for us, but also the ability to access the care we need.

This ground-up approach helped spur decisive victories during the mid-term elections, as voters in states across the country turned out in large numbers for abortion rights. But even as I celebrate these wins, I know too well that the vast public support for reproductive freedom has not stopped anti-abortion activists before.

I’m not going to sugarcoat this: reaching our goal will be hard, it will take time, and we’re already overwhelmed by the enormity of need out there. Since *Dobbs* was announced, my staff has been flooded by calls for help from advocates and lawmakers, including those who’ve only recently heard about NIRH and the trust our state and local partners have in what we do and how we work with them.

This year, more than ever, we will need the generous financial support of people like you, your friends, and all of those in your circle who believe that everyone should be able to determine the course of their reproductive and family lives with dignity and joy. This is a big vision, but we believe that, together, we can make it a reality for all of us today and for the generations to come. Together, we can and will win.

In solidarity,

Andrea Miller
President
NIRH and NIRH Action Fund fight for just and equitable access to reproductive health care and build political power for reproductive freedom. Our work centers the people who are most impacted by barriers to care: Black women and Black communities, Indigenous and other communities of color, low-income people, and immigrants. Our mission is to ensure legal, affordable, stigma-free abortion and contraception and to end racial and economic disparities in reproductive health.

With a focus on state and local level policy development, advocacy, organizing, electoral engagement, community mobilization, and movement building, we and our partners fight, state by state and city by city, for reproductive freedom for all.

We get results.

The State of Oregon commits $15,000,000 to fund abortion access!

Congratulations to our OR partners:
@NIRHNAFund
@ProChoiceOR

NIRH and our partners helped secure laws increasing abortion access in Colorado, Michigan, New Jersey, New York, and Oregon — with Michigan and New York taking steps to enshrine these rights in their state constitutions.

Our partners won local funding for abortion care and/or practical support — a signature NIRH initiative — in Atlanta, Austin, Chicago, Columbus (OH), Cuyahoga County (OH), Los Angeles, Minneapolis, New York City, and St. Louis (MO). Inspired by such wins, advocates in Baltimore, Philadelphia, San Francisco, and King County (WA) did the same — with more on the way!

With our support, our partners are leading community-based efforts to advance contraceptive access and maternal health in Maryland, Minnesota, and Mississippi — directly engaging local communities to pursue a broad reproductive justice agenda.

We depend on our supporters to fund both our team of legal, policy, political, organizing, and communications experts and our grants to state and local advocates. Now, more than ever, we need you.
NIRH works in states and cities across the country because we know that is where government makes the biggest impact on people’s lives, and where we can make the most immediate difference. We partner with and strengthen advocates on the ground because we know stronger state and local groups mean a stronger movement and lasting wins.

We are advocating to expand access to abortion in states and cities that serve as key access points, so that both residents and those who travel to them can receive the care they need. Our partners span from Atlanta to New York City, and from Oregon to Virginia.

We’re building patient-centered access to the full range of contraceptive options, working with advocates in states as different as Massachusetts, Mississippi, Pennsylvania, and Wisconsin.

We’re removing barriers to care rooted in systemic racism and improving the health of our communities, with a focus on improving maternal health outcomes for Black women. Our partners in this fight are in states from Arizona to New York and from Maryland to Michigan.

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