TRACKING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PROJECT 2025 AND HOW TO FIGHT BACK

When we first started talking about Project 2025, most Americans hadn't even heard of it. You changed that by sharing more than 5,000 social media posts directing your friends and family to our Project 2025 Toolkit, which was downloaded more than 50,000 times! As more Americans learned about Project 2025, the overwhelming majority rejected it.

Now, Donald Trump has **put many of Project 2025's authors in top-level positions in his administration** and they've already started implementing it. But these plans are still deeply unpopular. Only **13% of Americans support Project 2025. So, now we're keeping track of what they're doing and holding them accountable.**

Scroll down to see how each goal of Project 2025 is being implemented, or use the buttons below to jump straight to a topic. **Most importantly, make sure you visit our recommended actions at the end of each section for ways to fight back**!

*We are only tracking actions at the federal level, although we know extremists are implementing Project 2025 at the state level, too.

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PROJECT 2025 GOAL: TAKE AWAY OUR REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS

Click on each item to see all the ways the Trump administration is implementing Project 2025 to take away our reproductive rights.

RESTRICT OUR ACCESS TO BIRTH CONTROL, IVF, STD TESTING, AND FREE EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTION

Trump's Department of Health and Human Services is **withholding \$27.5 million in federal funding for birth control, STD testing, cancer screenings, and other reproductive health services** from Planned Parenthood and other Title X (a federal family planning program) participants. The program is already serving more than a million fewer patients a year than it used to because of similar cuts in Trump's first term.

INSTITUTE A NATIONAL ABORTION BAN

Donald Trump nominated three of the U.S. Supreme Court justices who overturned Roe v. Wade, paving the way for state abortion bans and a path to a national ban.

While a national abortion ban hasn't happened yet, Trump has **already reversed major protections** for abortion rights and **ended support for military service members who need to travel to get fertility treatments or abortions**. He is also **inserting "personhood" language** – the idea that embryos are children from the moment of fertilization – into federal policy, which sets the stage for nationwide bans on abortion and IVF.

REVERSE THE FDA APPROVAL OF ABORTION PILLS

Secretary of Health and Human Services, Robert F. Kennedy, Jr., **told Fox News that Trump has asked him to study the safety of abortion pills**, even though we already know they're safe. **Mifepristone was approved by the FDA over two decades ago. Doctors and scientists have proven that it's safer than Tylenol or Viagra**. And the **American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists and the American Medical Association** have shown the U.S. Supreme Court that mifepristone can be life-saving for women who are miscarrying.

BAN MEDICATION ABORTION NATIONWIDE

Donald Trump's anti-abortion, anti-science Secretary of Health and Human Services, Robert F. Kennedy Jr., **admitted in his confirmation hearings** that the administration is reviewing medication abortion – the most widely used form of abortion care.

RESTRICT DOCTORS' ABILITY TO PROVIDE TELEHEALTH FOR MEDICAL ABORTION

Attorney General **Pam Bondi said that she'd "love to work with" state attorneys general who are suing doctors** for providing telehealth and mailing abortion pills.

STOP FEDERAL AGENCIES FROM USING THE WORD "ABORTION"

The word **"abortion" is one of more than 250 that are now being removed** from government websites and documents.

ORDER THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TO CHARGE LOCAL OFFICIALS IF THEY REFUSE TO BRING CASES AGAINST WOMEN AND DOCTORS WHO VIOLATE STATE ABORTION BANS

Attorney General Pam Bondi, now leading the Department of Justice, has a **history of attacking reproductive healthcare as Florida's Attorney General**, and has supported national restrictions at the federal level. Now she'll be able to weaponize U.S. law against women and doctors in all 50 states.

SO, WHAT CAN YOU DO ABOUT IT?

We get to decide if and when to grow our family, **not politicians**. Visit **The More You Roe** to see how we're protecting abortion access across the country, and visit **Save IVF & Birth Control** to see how we're fighting for reproductive healthcare access.

PROJECT 2025 GOAL: END PUBLIC EDUCATION

Click on each item to see all the ways the Trump administration is implementing Project 2025 to end public education.

ELIMINATE THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Donald Trump signed an executive order on March 20, 2025, instructing Secretary of Education Linda McMahon to "facilitate the closure of the Department of Education." Meanwhile, Republicans in Congress have already filed a bill to end the department. Legally, **only Congress can eliminate the Department of Education**. But Trump and McMahon have already **cut \$900 million worth of funding** and **fired 50% of the Department's employees**.

ELIMINATE HEAD START PRESCHOOL

Head Start programs provide early education to 800,000 children. In early January, Trump ordered a freeze on federal grants, **blocking funding for dozens of Head Start programs** serving 20,000 students in 23 states. Head Start was supposed to be exempt from the freeze, but **it took more than 10 days for their grant access to resume**. In the meantime, **many programs had to shut down or prepare to shut down**, with **concerns about paying staff and other bills**. This caused chaos and disruption for the teachers, families, and children who rely on Head Start, and could be a sign of what's to come.

END TITLE I FUNDING FOR SCHOOLS THAT SERVE LOW-INCOME STUDENTS, LEADING TO LOSS IN TEACHERS

Title I funding **helps provide an equal, high-quality education** for all kids by giving funding to school districts with low-income families. With Trump cutting the Department of Education's workforce by half, **most of the employees who collected and analyzed data to determine where Title I funding should go, and how much, were fired**. We don't know yet how that will hurt the distribution of funds, but **Title I programs could get moved to another department, or funding could be changed to block grants to the states**, which will have much less oversight.

DIVERT PUBLIC MONEY TO PRIVATE AND RELIGIOUS SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Trump issued an **executive order** in support of using federal funds for private school voucher programs instead of public schools.

The MAGA supermajority on the U.S. Supreme court has **already ruled** that a state's "tuition assistance" (private school voucher program) can be used for private, religious schools.

END STUDENT DEBT RELIEF PROGRAMS FOR MILLIONS; CHANGE THE WAY THE SAVE PLAN (STUDENT LOAN REPAYMENT) WORKS,

ULTIMATELY RAISING PAYMENTS

A group of Republican-led states sued last year to block the SAVE Plan, putting it on hold for eight million borrowers. So far, courts seem likely to end the program along with two others, and Congress is also considering a law to repeal it. A Department of Education employee said **"We've been told 'SAVE' is not coming back in any way, shape, or form."** Ending these programs will take away affordable loan repayment programs for millions of people.

Cutting 50% of the Department of Education will also hurt six million Pell Grant recipients, federal student loan recipients, and Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) applicants. While Trump can't stop the funding for these programs himself, firing so many of the employees who worked to disperse the funds and support borrowers will severely disrupt the services they provide.

ELIMINATE TEACHERS' ABILITY TO UNIONIZE

In a hint of what's to come for teachers, the **Department of Homeland Security has ended the collective bargaining agreement for Transportation Safety Administration (TSA) employees**. Collective bargaining lets groups of employees come together, usually through a union, to negotiate for things like better pay, benefits, and working conditions. It's expected that the Department of Education will also take away this option from teachers' unions.

OVERHAUL PUBLIC EDUCATION TO ALIGN WITH EXTREMIST VIEWPOINTS

Donald Trump issued an **executive order** to remove funding from any schools that have Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion programs (which prepare kids to navigate a diverse and changing world), allow trans students to exist in class, and/or teach honest lessons about race and history. The order will also bring back Trump's 1776 Commission to dictate what schools should be allowed to teach nationwide.

The **Department of Education's Office of Civil Rights announced** that it was ending all guidance related to fighting book bans, dismissing all the book ban complaints under current investigation, and removing the person who investigated unlawful book removals.

SO, WHAT CAN YOU DO ABOUT IT?

Use these additional resources to learn how Project 2025 will impact the public schools in your community:

• The National Education Association's Federal Funding Guide shows you how much

federal funding goes to your local public schools.

• The Education Law Center's Universal Voucher Price Tag Tool helps you estimate how

much private school voucher programs will cost your state in public funds.

• The Education Law Center's Trump 2.0 Federal Revenue Tool shows you how much

your state could lose in federal funding if all of Trump's plans are fully implemented.

The women of Red Wine & Blue are working hard to protect public education where we know we can have the most impact — in our local communities! Learn more about our **Freedom to Parent**

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movement and **sign up for updates**. And if you're ready to push back on these policies in your community, our **Parent Playbook** can get you started.

PROJECT 2025 GOAL: HELP THE SUPER RICH WHILE FINANCIALLY HARMING AVERAGE AMERICANS

Click on each item to see all the ways the Trump administration is implementing Project 2025 to give an even greater unfair advantage to extremely wealthy people.

INCREASE TAXES ON MIDDLE CLASS FAMILIES WHILE DECREASING TAXES FOR MILLIONAIRES AND BILLIONAIRES

Estimates show that on average, Trump's tax proposals would lead to a tax increase for 95% of Americans, with the lowest income groups seeing the highest increase.

DRIVE UP PRICES FOR EVERYDAY GOODS BY IMPOSING EXPENSIVE NEW TARIFFS AND A NATIONAL SALES TAX

Trump has announced **policy changes or executive orders on tariffs** on a weekly, if not daily, basis since inauguration day. These constant threats and changes to policy are **sinking the stock market** and causing concerns about a recession. Other countries are planning **retaliatory tariffs against American goods** which will hurt American businesses. And Trump tariffs are expected to raise prices on goods for average Americans because the countries won't absorb the costs — they will pass them on to consumers.

RAISE THE RETIREMENT AGE AND CUT SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS FOR RETIREES

More than 70 million Americans rely on Social Security benefits, but Donald Trump and Elon Musk falsely claim that it's full of widespread waste and fraud. Musk has even called it "the biggest Ponzi scheme of all time" and a leaked memo from the acting Social Security Administration commissioner seems to call for privatizing parts of Social Security.

Meanwhile, the Trump administration has announced that **they will cut 7,000 Social Security** Administration employees and close six regional offices. They also planned to end some overthe-phone services, forcing seniors to get those services in person or online — which can be a challenge for those without internet access or with limited mobility — but they **quietly reversed that decision** after receiving **backlash**. Still, the reduction in staff and office closures will overwhelm the remaining field offices, cause chaos and hurt seniors.

ELIMINATE CONSUMER PROTECTIONS PUT IN PLACE AFTER THE HOUSING MARKET COLLAPSE AND FINANCIAL CRISIS, AND LET LENDERS MAKE RISKY LOANS AGAIN

The director of the Office of Management and Budget, Russell Vought (also a lead author of Project 2025), ordered the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) to stop all its work and fired dozens of its employees. The CFPB was created after the 2008 financial crisis to watch

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over the financial industry. It protects Americans by regulating the fairness, safety, and legality of financial products and services, like mortgages, credit cards, and other loans.

Elon Musk's Department of Government Efficiency **fired hundreds of employees at the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC)**, the agency responsible for ensuring the safety and stability of the money we individual Americans have in banks.

SO, WHAT CAN YOU DO ABOUT IT?

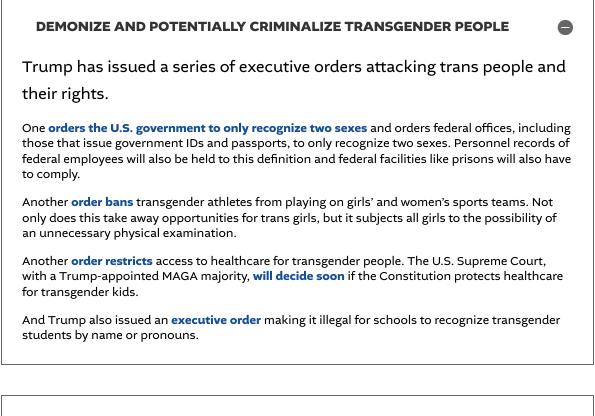
No one manages money like suburban women! We're handling most of the day-to-day financial decisions in our homes and we really want to know why eggs are so damn expensive! Learn the non-partisan facts — not spin — about the economy from **our Momonomics campaign**. We have all kinds of resources, from videos to downloadable explainers, and you can **join our mailing list right from this page** to keep up to date on the latest — eggs and all!

PROJECT 2025 GOAL: PERSECUTE LGBTQ+ AMERICANS

Click on each item to see all the ways the Trump administration is implementing Project 2025 that harm LGBTQ+ people.

SUGGEST "CONVERSION THERAPY" FOR LGBTQ+ PEOPLE

"Conversion therapy," which tries to force LGBTQ+ people into being straight, has been discredited by all major medical and psychological associations and is proven to cause serious harm. Yet the **U.S. Supreme Court — with a Trump-appointed MAGA majority — has agreed to review a case that could overturn a ban on conversion therapy** in Colorado. Twenty states have similar bans. A Supreme Court ruling would have national impact.



STOP TRANSGENDER PEOPLE FROM SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Trump issued an **executive order** that prevents transgender people from serving in the U.S. military. The order has now been blocked by three different judges, most recently by a **federal judge who has blocked its enforcement nationwide**.

SO, WHAT CAN YOU DO ABOUT IT?

We choose to lead with heart, not hate. We must stand up for the LGBTQ+ community in the face of these attacks on their rights, and their very existence.

If you want to learn more about anti-trans laws in your state, see **Erin in the Morning's Anti-Trans** National Risk Assessment Map.

Get information and tips from our resource, **Showing up for the Trans Community**, and watch our **events page** for ongoing Troublemaker Trainings on how to advocate for the LGBTQ+ community.

PROJECT 2025 GOAL: ENCOURAGE RACIAL DISCRIMINATION

Click on each item to see all the ways the Trump administration is implementing Project 2025 to reverse the progress of diversity and inclusion programs.

BAN DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION (DEI) IN THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion programs in the federal government aim to eliminate discrimination, workplace harassment, and unfair pay. But Trump issued an **executive order** that ends all of these programs. Agency websites have been removed, and even agency and program websites that are still active are **removing references** to diversity, equity, inclusion, and related topics.

He issued another **executive order** that rescinds past Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion initiatives, and encourages private businesses to end similar initiatives. It also instructs federal agencies to review private corporations, non-profits, foundations, educational institutions, and medical associations for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion initiatives and assess if they should be subject to federal lawsuits.

In a third **executive order**, Trump removed efforts to protect federal job applicants from discrimination based on race or gender.

END DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION (DEI) OFFICES IN THE MILITARY

Trump issued an **executive order** that ends Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion programs in the military and at the Department of Homeland Security, even though they are **proven to bring more quality, productivity, and success to groups and organizations**.

FIRE GOVERNMENT WORKERS WHO HAVE PARTICIPATED IN DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION (DEI) INITIATIVES

An Office of Personnel Management memo **placed all federal employees in Diversity, Equity, and** Inclusion roles on leave.

STOP FEDERAL AGENCIES FROM COLLECTING DATA THAT COULD BE USED TO ADDRESS RACIAL INEQUALITY

Federal **agencies and programs have been pressured by the Trump administration to remove references to race**, racism, anti-racism, culture, diversity, discrimination, inequality, and many related topics, which will impact their ability to gather data and address these issues.

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The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) **closed all of its environmental justice offices** (11 total), ending their work to address how pollution disproportionately harms communities of color. It also **cancelled 400 grants** for environmental justice and diversity initiatives.

SO, WHAT CAN YOU DO ABOUT IT?

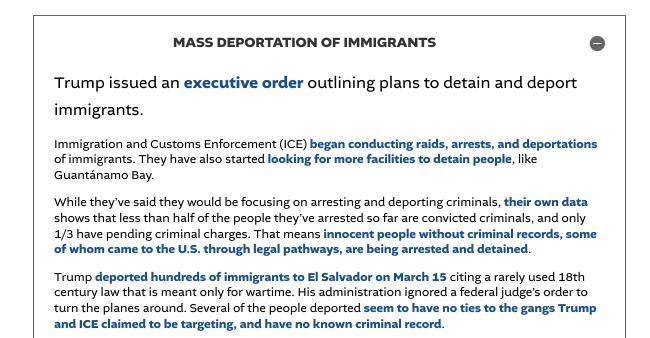
When we're all treated fairly, have equal opportunities, and feel safe and welcome, communication improves and MORE talent comes to the table. We're not going back.

Learn more about Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) from our **Easy A blog** and **share the FACTS**. Want to go even deeper? Learn more by watching any – or all! – of our **past events on anti-racism**.

And if you want to track Project 2025's impact close to home, **American Pride Rises' DEI** Legislation Tracker is a tool that tracks anti-DEI legislation in all 50 states and the **Congressional** Black Caucus Foundation's Executive Order Tracker monitors the Trump administration's executive orders and actions and how they will impact Black Americans.

PROJECT 2025 GOAL: REDUCE IMMIGRATION AND CONDUCT MASS DEPORTATION

Click on each item to see all the ways the Trump administration is implementing Project 2025 to attack and marginalize immigrants.



SUSPEND IMMIGRATION APPLICATIONS

Trump issued an **executive order** suspending the U.S. Refugee Admissions Program and ordering that it be reevaluated on a regular basis to determine if it should be resumed.

Trump issued an **executive order** on immigration that included ending the "CBP One" applications for immigration — the only way people arriving at the U.S. Mexico border seeking asylum could request appointments — and reinstated a policy forcing asylum seekers to wait in Mexico if they have a request being processed.

REDUCE PROTECTIONS FOR IMMIGRANTS SEEKING ASYLUM FROM HUMAN TRAFFICKING, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, OR GANG VIOLENCE

Trump issued an **executive order** suspending the U.S. Refugee Admissions Program and ordering that it be reevaluated on a regular basis to determine if it should be resumed. This humanitarian program was **authorized by Congress in 1980** to **help refugees legally settle in the U.S. if they were fleeing persecution** due to race, religion, nationality, or politics. It has helped millions of asylum seekers find safety and security. **Ending the program harms vulnerable people and families**, including U.S. military allies, **people fleeing religious persecution**, and people being targeted by gangs in other countries.

DISMANTLE FOUNDATIONS OF OUR IMMIGRATION SYSTEM WITHOUT CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL

Trump issued an **executive order** ending birthright citizenship — a long held legal principle protected by the 14th amendment of the U.S. Constitution. **At least 20 states have challenged this order in court and many judges have blocked it as unconstitutional. Now, Trump has asked the U.S. Supreme Court to allow his order to move forward**.

SO, WHAT CAN YOU DO ABOUT IT?

Extremists want us to fear immigrants, so they spread dangerous myths and disinformation. But we know better. Listen to our limited series podcast, The American Fabric to hear personal stories of immigration and bust the myths and lies. You can also read our Easy A blog post about immigration, and share our resource, How to Talk About Immigration, with your family and friends. Or learn what you can do about immigration raids in your community.

PROJECT 2025 GOAL: INSERT CHRISTIAN NATIONALIST IDEOLOGY INTO THE MAINSTREAM

Click on each item to see all the ways the Trump administration is implementing Project 2025 to inject the Christian Nationalist political ideology into all aspects of society.

CENTER CHRISTIAN NATIONALIST IDEOLOGY AND TURN IT INTO FEDERAL LAWS

Trump issued an executive order to establish the **White House Faith Office** led by conservative evangelical pastor, Paula White-Cain, whose **megachurch in Florida was investigated by the U.S. Senate and found to have misused its tax-exempt, charitable funds**, including a down payment for a condo in Trump Tower in New York City.

The Department of Transportation **issued a memo** stating that projects should give preference to communities with marriage and birth rates higher than the national average. Promoting large families and combating declining birth rates is a priority for Christian Nationalism.

The Trump-appointed supermajority on the **U.S. Supreme court has already ruled that it is okay to funnel public tax dollars to private religious schools** with little to no oversight.

SO, WHAT CAN YOU DO ABOUT IT?

One of our democracy's founding principles is the separation of church and state. The first step to protecting that principle is to understand that Christian Nationalism is a political movement, not a religion. Learn more about the Christian Nationalist political movement by **reading our Easy A blog post about it**, and by listening to our **limited series podcast on Christian Nationalism**, **Sacred Politics**.

PROJECT 2025 GOAL: END PROGRAMS THAT ADDRESS CLIMATE CHANGE

Click on each item to see all the ways the Trump administration is implementing Project 2025 to ignore climate change and hurt our environment.

REDUCE OR ELIMINATE THE EPA

Trump's Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) warned **1100+ EPA employees** by email that they could be fired at any time, and **more than 100 have already been placed on leave**.

The Office of Management and Budget issued a **memo from its director, Russell Vought** (who was a lead author on Project 2025), **ordering federal agencies to begin massive layoffs**, which will include the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

REMOVE THE U.S. FROM INTERNATIONAL CLIMATE CHANGE AGREEMENTS

Trump issued an **executive order** pulling the U.S. from the Paris Agreement and other similar commitments to combat climate change. The **Paris Agreement** is an international treaty signed by all members of the United Nations, agreeing to take specific actions to fight climate change.

END OR REJECT REGULATIONS THAT REDUCE ENVIRONMENTAL HARM

Trump issued an **executive order** that reverses many federal actions and programs that protect the environment and fight climate change. This includes: removing policies that regulated mining; ending energy efficiency standards for appliances and **vehicles**; and ending incentives for manufacturing, automotive, and appliance industries to produce energy efficient products.

Another **executive order** allows for Alaskan land to be leased and developed for energy and natural resource projects.

Trump revoked Biden-era **efforts to address climate change**, **make climate change a priority in foreign policy**, and **reduce single-use plastic** by the government.

Trump has **ended \$20 billion in Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) grants** for programs that addressed climate change. The National Institutes of Health (NIH) will **stop funding studies** on the health effects of climate change.

Trump **rolled back S.E.C. rules** that require companies to report on their impact on climate and the environment.

Trump **nominated Kathleen Sgamma**, a professional advocate for the oil and gas industry to lead the Bureau of Land Management.

Trump nominated three U.S. Supreme Court Justices who **overturned the Chevron Doctrine** in 2024. This gave federal judges the power to disregard the expertise of federal agencies like the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to protect our environment and natural resources when interpreting laws or implementing environmental regulations.

REMOVE DOMESTIC PROTECTIONS FOR ENDANGERED SPECIES, OTHER WILDLIFE, AND FEDERALLY-OWNED LANDS

The **Unleashing American Energy executive order** allows for energy production on public land and waters.

Two more **executive orders allow for increased deforestation** for timber production, including plans to work around endangered species protections. Following these executive orders, the **Department of Agriculture removed environmental protections** from more than half of the land managed by the U.S. Forest Service, opening them for logging.

REDUCE FUNDING FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY

Trump issued an **executive order** halting all **federal programs** for wind farms.

EXPAND ARCTIC OIL DRILLING AND WESTERN COAL MINING

The Unleashing American Energy executive order and the Unleashing Alaska's Resource Potential executive order both allow for energy production on public land and waters, including the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge.

SO, WHAT CAN YOU DO ABOUT IT?

These attempts to ignore climate change at the federal level can be overwhelming, so we're focusing on where we can have the greatest impact — our local communities! **Visit our Communities page** to find an online or in-person TroubleNation group near you! Don't see one near you? Start one! We're here to help you with guidance and resources that you can put to use to protect the environment close to home. Together, we can fight climate change, one community at a time.

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PROJECT 2025 GOAL: REDUCE HEALTHCARE ACCESS AND INCREASE COSTS

Click on each item to see all the ways the Trump administration is implementing Project 2025 to take away our healthcare.

REPEAL CAPS ON PRESCRIPTION DRUG PRICES

On day one in office, Trump issued an **executive order** to revoke

President Biden's **executive order** lowering prescription drug prices.

PREVENT THE GOVERNMENT FROM NEGOTIATING LOWER PRESCRIPTION DRUG PRICES FOR MEDICARE PARTICIPANTS

Trump has reversed many policies that were aimed at reducing prescription drug prices.

PUT NEW LIMITS ON MEDICAID BENEFITS

Medicaid provides health insurance for people with low income or disabilities. The nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office found that **Republicans will have to cut Medicare, Medicaid, or the Children's Health Insurance Program in order to meet the goals of the budget** they're currently pushing through Congress. And **Elon Musk and his Department of Government Efficiency are already reviewing Medicare and Medicaid for cuts**.

REDUCE THE SIZE AND BUDGETS OF FEDERAL AGENCIES RESPONSIBLE FOR HEALTHCARE AND MEDICAL RESEARCH

Federal staffing and budget cuts have cut or **reduced National Institutes of Health (NIH) grants** that fund medical research, like cancer prevention.

WITHDRAW THE U.S. FROM THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION.

Trump issued an **executive order** to withdraw the U.S. from the World Health Organization (WHO), a United Nations agency that promotes public health and safety around the world, including global responses to health emergencies. The order also ends U.S. involvement with the WHO Pandemic Agreement and International Health Regulations.

SO, WHAT CAN YOU DO ABOUT IT?

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News about public health and funding for Medicare and Medicaid is changing quickly. We do our best to stay on top of it, so **subscribe to our Suburban Women Problem Substack** to have news for suburban women delivered straight to your inbox every week!

PROJECT 2025 GOAL: GIVE UNCHECKED POWER TO THE PRESIDENT

Click on each item to see all the ways the Trump administration is implementing Project 2025 to increase his power and take away our voice in our own government.

REDUCE THE MILITARY'S EFFORTS TO COUNTER EXTREMISM AND DOMESTIC TERRORISM

On inauguration day, Trump signed an executive order pardoning and releasing all convicted January 6 rioters, dozens of whom have other convictions for charges of rape, sexual abuse of a minor, domestic violence, manslaughter, production of child sexual abuse material and drug trafficking. A few days later, **he also pardoned 23 anti-abortion** extremists who were convicted of violence, harassment, and intimidation at healthcare clinics. While these pardons are not related to military efforts, they signal Trump's willingness to excuse extremism and domestic terrorism.

The Center for Prevention Programs and Partnerships in the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) works to prevent domestic terrorism and mass shootings. **20% of its employees have been fired** by Elon Musk's Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE). DHS also **cut \$20 million for dozens of other programs** that also stop terrorism and school shootings.

END THE FBI'S EFFORTS TO COMBAT MISINFORMATION AND DISINFORMATION

Trump issued an **executive order** preventing any federal employee or agency from combatting disinformation or misinformation. His own pick for FBI Director, **Kash Patel, has a history** of peddling conspiracy theories.

Trump issued an **executive order** shutting down the U.S. Agency for Global Media. While it is not an FBI program, the Agency, which includes the Voice of America news outlet, **provides awardwinning, objective, and balanced news** all over the world to almost 360 million people in almost 50 languages, combating propaganda, misinformation, and disinformation spread by other governments.

REDUCE CONGRESSIONAL POWER BY SHIFTING OVERSIGHT TO THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH

Trump issued an **executive order** to create a **centralized payment system under the Department of Government Efficiency**, giving them the power to review, approve, or reject federal payments **power that the constitution grants to Congress**.

Trump issued an **executive order** giving the President **control over independent regulatory agencies** like the Consumer Product Safety Commission, the Securities and Exchange Commission, and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, which have traditionally been set up by Congress to be independent of Executive Branch control. These agencies oversee product safety, consumer safety, and financial stability in markets and banks.

RECLASSIFY FEDERAL WORKERS MAKING THEM EASIER TO FIRE. CONDUCT MASSIVE FIRINGS AND ATTEMPT TO ONLY KEEP LOYALISTS IN THE FEDERAL WORKFORCE.

Trump issued an **executive order** on Inauguration Day that removes Biden-era federal workforce protections and reinstates "Schedule F" to make federal workers easier to fire. The memo also states that federal employees "are required to faithfully implement administration policies to the best of their ability, consistent with their constitutional oath and the vesting of executive authority solely in the President."

The Office of Management and Budget issued a **memo from director Russell Vought**, also a lead author on Project 2025, **ordering federal agencies to begin massive layoffs**.

So far, under the Trump administration and Elon Musk's Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE), more than 200,000 federal employees have been fired from more than a dozen agencies, in addition to 75,000 federal employees that accepted buyouts. Two judges so far have ordered the administration to rehire 24,000 probationary workers, but the U.S. Supreme Court has put those orders on hold and will review the cases.

PACK THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WITH LOYALISTS WHO WILL NOT CHECK TRUMP'S POWER

The White House issued a **memo** directing the Office of Personnel Management and the Office of Management and Budget to review all Career Senior Executive Service officials to make sure they "aligned to implement my [Trump] agenda."

END POLICIES THAT KEEP THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AND THE FBI INDEPENDENT FROM THE WHITE HOUSE, ALLOWING THE PRESIDENT TO INTERFERE FOR SELF-SERVING POLITICAL PURPOSES

Trump issued an **executive order** instructing the Attorney General and the Department of Justice to investigate and punish federal departments and agencies, and the Director of National Intelligence to investigate and punish the Intelligence Community, for work that was done under the Biden administration that Trump dislikes.

PUT TRUMP LOYALISTS IN CONTROL AND USE FEDERAL AGENCIES TO GO AFTER PERCEIVED ENEMIES

Trump issued an **executive order** instructing the Attorney General and the Department of Justice (DOJ) to investigate and punish federal employees who were involved in past investigations into Trump himself, and January 6th. The FBI has **fired or demoted dozens of agents and top officials** who worked on Trump's criminal cases and the **DOJ has fired at least a dozen prosecutors** who worked on Trump's criminal cases.

Trump issued an **executive order** revoking security clearances of former federal officials who took actions under the Biden administration that Trump didn't like.

Many lawyers in the Department of Justice (DOJ) have represented Trump in his personal legal cases. Pam Bondi, Attorney General, was one of the lawyers who represented Trump in his first impeachment trial. Todd Blanche, Deputy Attorney General, defended Trump in two criminal cases brought by the DOJ as well as the case in New York where Trump was convicted of 34 felonies. And Emil Bove, Principal Associate Deputy Attorney General, has also defended Trump previously.

On March 14, 2025, **Trump gave a speech to Department of Justice employees** in which he complained about his "enemies," calling them "scum" and promising to investigate and "expel" them.

Trump's pick for chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff — the country's highest ranking military officer — is retired Air Force Lt. Gen. John Dan "Razin" Caine. He has not served in any of the roles that are legally required for his nomination, but Trump **waived the requirement**. Trump **publicly shared** that when they first met, Caine told him he'd kill for him.

EXPAND EXECUTIVE BRANCH INVOLVEMENT IN ELECTIONS

Trump signed an **executive order** instructing many of his cabinet members and their departments to get more involved in how states conduct elections, from inspecting voting equipment to investigating voters. The order also outlines new requirements for voter registration that will make it more difficult for tens of millions of Americans to vote, especially married women, immigrants, transgender people, and first-time voters. At the same time, Republicans in Congress have prioritized passing the SAVE Act, which would make those same voter restrictions the law.

SO, WHAT CAN YOU DO ABOUT IT?

Experts in authoritarianism teach us that we do not have to obey in advance. In other words, we don't have to accept these undemocratic power-grabs. The best way to fight them is to be in community with others who will push back with us. That's exactly what our TroubleNation is all about! **Join TroubleNation** to find or start your own local group to build community, advocate, and resist the implementation of Project 2025. We'll help you every step of the way!

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