

A Threat to Women

The Trump Administration's Deregulatory Agenda

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The Trump Administration's assault on federal agencies is crippling the ability of the government to serve the people. Women across America are disproportionately the victims of President Trump's reckless sledgehammer. This Administration is destroying government programs and policies critical to protecting and advancing women's economic security, health care, education and quality of life. President Trump once declared, "I'm going to be really good for women." In reality, the President's Administration poses a threat to all women regardless of their age, race, ethnicity, background, or life experience.

Key Findings

- The Department of Health & Human Services threatened millions of women and girls' access to family planning services and health care coverage, and decreased nursing home protections for seniors.
- The Department of Labor dismantled equal pay and anti-sex discrimination initiatives, and removed overtime pay and minimum wage protections for millions of women workers.
- The Department of Education rolled back protections for sexual assault survivors, and allowed schools to get away with preying on students and veterans who want a college education.
- The Department of Agriculture limited women's access to anti-hunger programs.



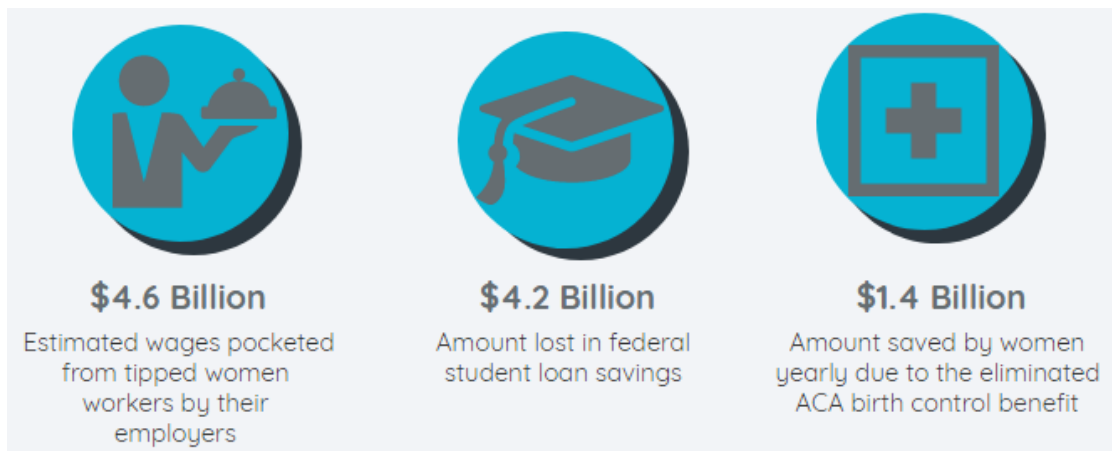
Limiting Women's Access to Comprehensive & Affordable Health Care

- The Department of Health & Human Services threatened millions of low-income women's access to family planning services, and all women's access to low-cost contraception.
- The Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services allowed states to impose work requirements on Medicaid recipients – the majority of whom are women of color.

- The Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services removed seniors' right to sue nursing homes for health and safety violations, and let nursing homes off the hook from penalties despite continually hurting residents – 70% of whom are women.
- The Department of Health & Human Services allowed doctors to discriminate against their patients by withholding life-saving care.
- The Department of Health & Human Services cut the time period people have to sign up for affordable health coverage and slashed over \$100 million in funding to facilitate enrollment under the Affordable Care Act.

Limiting Women's Economic Well-Being

- Office of Management & Budget dismantled an equal pay initiative at the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.
- President Trump eliminated protections for millions of employees of federal contractors, effectively allowing federal agencies to award multi-million dollar contracts to companies that violate worker's rights.
- The Department of Labor pushed to allow employers to pocket tips from minimum wage, tipped-workers – 67% of whom are women.
- The Department of Labor removed overtime pay, minimum wage, and other labor protections for millions of independent contract workers – 51% of whom are women.
- The Department of Labor threatened 3.2 million women workers' overtime pay when they work more than 40 hours a week.



Limiting Women's Access to a Safe & Fair Education

- The Department of Education allowed for-profit colleges to rip off students – 65% of whom are women – without consequences.
- The Department of Education prevented states from protecting their students from illegal behavior by companies collecting student loan debt – two-thirds of which is held by women.
- The Department of Education threatened sexual assault survivors' right to justice on college campuses, and limited federal investigations of discrimination by schools.

Limiting Women's Nutritional Security

- The Department of Agriculture threatened to remove millions of women's Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits.