

# WOMEN'S EQUALITY QUICK FACTS

## Economics & Pay

- On average, women make 78 cents to every man's dollar.
- According to a study done by the National Women's Law Center, more than one in eight women (17 million) live at or below the poverty line in the U.S., with women being 35% more likely to live in poverty than men.
- The state with the smallest pay gap between women and men is New York at 89%; the state with the largest pay gap is Wyoming at 64% (AAUW 2017 Equal Pay Report).
- The gender pay gap is worse for women of color. African American women make 63 cents to every man's dollar, Latinas make 54 cents to every man's dollar, and American Indian women make 59 cents to every man's dollar.
- For women ages 15 to 24 working full time and year round, the wage gap is \$4,373 per year. By the time women reach age 45 to 64, they earn \$15,404 less than their male counterparts per year.

## Violence & Safety

- 90% of adult sexual assault victims are women.
- According to The Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network (RAINN), every 98 seconds an individual is sexually assaulted in the U.S..
- 1 out of every 6 women in the U.S. has been the victim of an assault in her lifetime.
- In March and April of 2017, the cities of Denver, Los Angeles, and Houston have reported a *decrease* in reports of sexual assault from women in the Latinx community as high as 40%. Though this may sound like a good development, many police departments cite fears of deportation and retaliation under the Trump administration.

## Politics, Voting, & Representation

- Currently, women only hold 19.4% of the seats in Congress.
- According to Pew Research Center, in the U.S. about  $\frac{2}{3}$  of individuals believe that it is easier for men to be elected to office than women.
- Only 66% of voting age women have access to proof of citizenship with their current name.

## Reproductive Justice & Health

- Because of the Affordable Care Act (ACA), 55 million women have access to preventative care without copays or deductibles.
- Annually Planned Parenthood provides women's health care services for 2.4 million individuals.
- Maternal mortality rates are 3x higher among African American women than White Women.
  - A recent survey done by the National Abortion Federation found that 87% of all U.S. counties have no identifiable abortion provider.
  - Currently, at least 34 states have some sort of Targeted Regulation of Abortion Providers (TRAP) law.