

Last fall I joined the National NOW executive team as the Vice President. It has been the honor of a lifetime to serve alongside Christian Nunes, helping to move forward together with our intersectional feminist agenda.

We face challenging times in the U.S. and around the world. However, we activists know that challenges are opportunities to fight for progress and become stronger. NOW is no stranger to this. Its unapologetic feminism inspired me to action in the late 1970s and I have been a dedicated NOW activist since then.

That feminist activism has guided my work. Whether it was organizing college campuses for Planned Parenthood, serving as a Deputy Attorney General for the Civil Rights Division in New Jersey, or working on Southern Poverty Law Center's youth's justice project, it is my good fortune to bring my progressive principles and my perspective as an out lesbian to NOW with me every day.

I have organized and campaigned with coalition partners often overlooked or underestimated. When I took on this role, I knew we had a lot of work to do to ensure that we were centering marginalized communities in our advocacy. We have done incredible work together -- but we can and must do more. I am asking for your vote to continue serving as your Vice President.

Along with NOW activists in New Hampshire, I traveled to Washington, DC to the March for Women's Lives with my ten-month old son to ensure my voice as an out lesbian was heard. As President of NOW New Jersey, I crisscrossed the state going to protests, testifying in the legislature, and working with our coalition partners. And when I moved to Mississippi, dove right in to advancing our intersectional feminist agenda in the Deep South. I joined NOW for the activism, but ended up discovering family and community.