

My path to advocacy started at twelve, when our new neighbors repeatedly attacked my family for moving into their neighborhood while being Black. The threats escalated from racist graffiti to chasing my brother with a truck. To defend my family, I began to speak out against the attacks and organizing with those around me. If I didn't speak up, nobody would.

This is my lived experience - it cannot be separated from my advocacy; it defines it.

My commitment to making this country more just and equitable led me to working as a victim advocate in Coconino County, including the Navajo and Hopi reservations. For six years, as an adjunct faculty member in Arizona, I trained behavioral health students seeking to build their careers around compassion and equity. And I continued to organize in the same neighborhoods that had fought aggressively to deny me my access to opportunities in this country.

As advocates, we act in service to others. I assumed the Presidency with the focus of healing and recentering our community around our intended purpose and mission: action through intersectional grassroots activism.

I am proud to serve on the executive team alongside Bear Atwood, strengthening a movement that has, and will continue to, change the world. The initiatives that we have implemented together reflect NOW's commitment to racial equity, intersectionality, and grassroots activism

I am running for re-election and ask for your vote as President for the National Organization for Women so that we can continue our crucial work together.