DEMOCRACY FORWARD
American democracy is at an inflection point.

A harmful movement that does not represent the majority of Americans has gained outsized political power.

A rising tide of extreme and anti-democratic policies have taken hold across the country.

The Supreme Court has rolled back the rights of millions.

We must use our current crisis as a catalyst for change.
Democracy Forward was built for this moment.

Democracy Forward was founded to address unprecedented threats to American democracy in the wake of the 2016 election. We built an innovative legal team that took the Trump administration to court more than 100 times, securing victories that stopped abuses of power and improved the lives of millions. We filled critical gaps in the legal and regulatory infrastructure and developed a successful model for impact. Our work challenging Trump-era policies prepared us for this moment and the long road ahead.

The courts are now the frontline of the battleground for democracy, not merely the last-resort protectors of it.

The challenge we now face in the courts is not the mere aftermath of Trump’s presidency; rather, it is the result of a multi-decade effort by highly resourced, well-coordinated, and aggressive far right legal organizations that have shaped the law in harmful ways. Trump’s presidency accelerated their success, enabling extreme policies that required a diversion of resources and propelling extremist lawmakers and judges throughout the country who seek to rewrite our country’s history and entrench power in the hands of an anti-democratic minority.
Representing America

We are building collective power in this current crisis to advance a bold, vibrant democracy for all people.

We have represented and worked alongside 200+ organizations and communities that make up the very fabric of America — voters, veterans, teachers, students, workers, the press, doctors, health care professionals, patients, small businesses, conservationists, cities, counties, tribes, civil servants, unions, immigrants, academics and researchers — amplifying their voices courts, the regulatory process, and in the public square to create lasting change.

We believe democracy is worth the fight. Join us.
Take the pledge to fight for democracy.

If you agree that democracy is worth fighting for, add your name to let us know we can count on you to help in the days ahead.

Take the Pledge

Partner with us.

Contact us to discuss collaboration and partnership. From issue-based collaboration to organizational development partnerships, we are open to discussing ways we can enhance our collective impact. Reach out to talk with a Democracy Forward team member.

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Your support is essential to the fight for people and democracy.

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