

Abortion Rights Freedom Ride

DID YOU KNOW...

...2011 and 2012 saw a RECORD number of restrictions on abortion across the country, and already this year there are over 275 bills introduced to further restrict abortion?

...97% of rural counties have no abortion provider?

...five states have only ONE abortion clinic, and August 1 new laws are set to go into effect in North Dakota that would shut down the last clinic in the state?

...Over 80% of clinics that provide abortions have experienced violence, threats, harassment?

...eight abortion providers and staff have been KILLED by anti-abortion violence?

...within in the last 30 days, North Carolina, Ohio, and Texas have passed horrendous new restrictions on abortion rights!?



The Ride:

After send-off rallies on July 23 in NYC and SF, caravans will travel from both coasts, rallying and gathering support along the way, arriving in North Dakota before August 1 when new laws are set to shut down the last abortion clinic in the state. Then, down to Wichita where those who courageously re-opened the clinic of Dr. George Tiller following his assassination by an anti-abortion gunman are facing serious, and escalating threat. On to Jackson, Mississippi where a temporary court injunction is the only thing keeping the last remaining clinic in the state open. All along the way, we'll protest and confront the anti-abortion woman-haters, erect visual displays that tell the truth about abortion and birth control, collect and amplify women's abortion stories in order to break the silence, defend the clinics and providers most under attack, and meet with people to build lasting organization to DEFEAT the whole war on women.

Fundraiser Party

When: July 11, 2013

Where: Women's Building
18th St@ Guerrero
San Francisco

Time: 6:30-8:30

on.fb.me/11ZyHor

SF Send-Off Rally

When: July 23, 2013

Where: PotreroDelSolPark

Time: 4:30-6:00

Hear inspiring speakers speak unapologetically about abortion to kick off this ride, send messages to abortion doctors, and take your picture with a message of support!

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7 Things You Can Do:

1. Join the Freedom Ride caravan—Sign up online for a leg or the whole ride!
2. Reach out to people you know along the route and ask them to provide housing, organize welcome parties and protests, and offer support.
3. DONATE as generously as you can and ask others you know to do the same.
4. Sign and circulate the Abortion on Demand & Without Apology statement —among friends, family, online communities and to any prominent people you know.
5. Contribute your skills in design, research, legal defense, social media, videography, and more!
6. Break the silence! Share your own unapologetic abortion story by emailing us text or video to be posted on the Stop Patriarchy blog.
7. Stay connected—Come to a Bay Area event, do outreach with the Stop Patriarchy crew, sign up for the e-list, follow, like, etc, on social media!

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