



CALL TO ACTION – January 27

**OI ALL-MEMBER MEETING January 29
This Tuesday 6:45-8:45 - See Below**

PROTECT OUR QUALITY OF LIFE

Thank Our MoCs For Standing Strong During The Shutdown Fight – Get Ready For Round Two!

On January 25th, President Trump announced the decision to reopen government for three weeks with no border wall funding. A congressional conference committee will negotiate a border security package during the next three weeks. Trump said if what he termed a “fair deal” does not emerge by February 15th, there could be another government shutdown, or he could declare a national emergency. If he declares a national emergency, the action would be challenged and end up in court. Declaring a national emergency or shutting down the government are desperate actions that threaten our democratic system of checks and balances. Our Members of Congress need to continue to stand strong in this fight to protect and preserve American values. **WE CAN WIN!**

ACTION: Call our Members of Congress to thank them for standing strong during the shutdown fight. Ask them to continue to fight to preserve the checks and balances of our democratic system.

Senator Patty Murray (253) 572-3636 Senator Maria Cantwell (253) 572-2281

Congressman Denny Heck (360) 459-8514

Script: My name is _____, and I am a member of Olympia Indivisible. I am calling because I want to thank (Senator/Congressman) _____ for standing strong and refusing to compromise during the government shutdown. There are many effective ways to improve border security without building a wall, and I want (Senator/Congressman) _____ to support the congressional conference committee in their efforts to create a reasonable security package. Please fight to preserve the checks and balances in our democratic system. Thank you.

Automatic Continuing Resolution Bill

Three weeks. That's how long Congress has to get work done on important issues before we're staring down the barrel of yet another budget deadline. With the longest and most pointless government shutdown in US history fresh in our memories and with another potential train wreck in the near future, we need to renew our call to our MoCs to end government shutdowns for good.

There are now two bills in the Senate that would establish an automatic continuing resolution, which would continue current funding levels anytime a new budget fails to pass by the deadline: the [End Government](#)

[Shutdowns Act](#), introduced by Rob Portman (R-OH), and the [Stop the Stupidity Act](#), introduced last week by Mark Warner (D-VA). Maybe you have a preference, but either one of these would be a major improvement over our current culture of political brinkmanship. We need to get our Senators to co-sponsor these bills and elevate this important issue.

Meanwhile, no matching bill has been introduced in the House. We should get our good friend Denny Heck on the case so we can come at the problem from as many angles as possible.

ACTION: Call our MoCs and ask them to advance the cause of an Automatic CR, and end government shutdowns for good!

Script for Patty Murray and Maria Cantwell: Hi, I'm _____ with Olympia Indivisible. Now that the shutdown is over, I want my senator to do her part to make sure we never have another one ever again. Please co-sponsor S.104 and S.198 to establish an automatic continuing resolution. Lets get one of these bills through Congress in the next three weeks so Trump can't hold federal workers and contractors hostage again. Thank you!

Script for Denny Heck: Hi, I'm _____ with Olympia Indivisible. Right now there are two bills in the Senate that would end government shutdowns permanently--S.104 and S.198. These bills would establish an automatic continuing resolution. However, there's no bill in the House of Representatives that would do this. Please be a leader and introduce a bill to the House, similar to the End Government Shutdowns Act and the Stop the Stupidity Act in the Senate. Thank you!

Venezuelans Cry Out For Change – But They Dread Foreign Intervention

As Venezuelans confronted the latest political upheaval to engulf their nation last week, there was widespread consensus on the capital's streets that change was urgently needed – and possibly on the horizon.

"We must have change. We're tired of seeing children eating in the rubbish," said Luis Torres, 34, an unemployed father-of-two from Petare, a sprawling shanty in the city's east. ...

Torres was among those who took to the streets last week to support Guaidó and said there were thousands of other slum-dwellers who also wanted Maduro gone. "Here the prices are like in Switzerland, but you earn like you're in Haiti," he said.

However, while he was desperate for "freedom" Torres was alarmed at the prospect of a foreign military intervention to oust Maduro and hoped a peaceful way out could be found. The US has warned that "all options are on the table" if Maduro responds to Guaidó's challenge with violence, while Maduro ordered his troops to prepare to defeat "any imperialist enemy who dares touch our soil".

"If there's no food now, just imagine what it would be like in a war ... we've seen what happened in Syria and Libya and we do not want this," Torres said.

Opposition to Maduro – who claims Guaidó's move is part of a US-sponsored "coup" similar to the [botched 2002 attempt to topple his mentor](#) – was everywhere. But there was support, too. "I want to give him another chance," said Yenny Cumana, a 32-year-old housewife from 24 de Julio, a community in Petare that was rocked by protests last week.

<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2019/jan/26/juan-guaido-venezuelans-cry-out-for-change-but-dread-foreign-intervention>

Remind our MOCs of the War Powers Act and tell them to not let Trump invade Venezuela.

ACTION: Senator Maria Cantwell (253)572-2281 Senator Patty Murray (253)572-3636

Representative Denny Heck (360) 459-8514

Script: My name is _____, I'm a member of Indivisible and I am calling to remind _____ of the Wars Powers Act. Since 2001 Congress has been remiss in their responsibility of holding presidents in check in the use of military force, having allowed multiple interventions without congressional approval. Now you need to step up

and be accountable to your constituents. We don't need a war as a distraction to Trump's corruption, we don't need to enrich the military industrial complex, and we don't need to take over Venezuela's oil reserves. Congress must prevent Trump from intervening in Venezuela by voting against an intervention. Allow the people of Venezuela to decide their own fate; we should stay out.

STATE & COUNTY ACTIONS

Washington State Legislature Is In Session

Bills for week of 01/28/19

Bills that need your support. Attend a Hearing and/or click to comment on the bill.

1/29/19 Tuesday

Gun Safety

Hearing Rm 4 J.A. Cherberg Building

Senate Committee on Law & Justice on 1/29/19 at 10:00 AM

Bills to **Support**:

[SB 5181](#) - Concerning certain procedures upon initial detention under the involuntary treatment act. Revises the involuntary treatment act. Prohibits the possession or control of a firearm by a person who has been detained at a facility for seventy-two-hour evaluation and treatment on the grounds that the person presents a likelihood of serious harm, but has not been subsequently committed for involuntary treatment.

[SB 5205](#) - Concerning provisions governing firearms possession by persons who have been found incompetent to stand trial and who have a history of one or more violent acts. Prohibits a person from possessing a firearm if his or her charges are dismissed based on incompetency to stand trial and the court makes a finding indicating that the person has a history of one or more violent acts.

1/30/19 Wednesday

Gun Safety/Early Learning

Hearing Rm 1 J.A. Cherberg Building

Senate Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education 1/30/19 at 1:30 PM

There are several pro-gun bills that are requiring an armed 'school resource officer'. We would like to protect students, but keep armed guards out of schools.

Bills to **Support**:

[SB 5317](#) Concerning nonfirearm measures to increase school safety and student well-being. Requires the superintendent of public instruction to establish a school safety center. Companion bill [HB 1216](#) is not being heard, but needs your support. Bill is sponsored by Dolan and Doglio and referred to House Education

[SB 5141](#) - Concerning school resource officer mandatory training and policies. If a district chooses to have a school resource officer (1) Confirm officer has received training, (2) Review and adopt an agreement with the local law enforcement agency using a process that involves parents, students, and community members

[SB 5315](#) - Increasing student support staff in the prototypical school funding model. Requires additional allocations to be provided for school nurses, social workers, psychologists, and guidance counselors, beginning in the 2019-2021 biennium and beginning with school districts with the highest percentage of students eligible for free and reduced-price meals in the prior school year.

Bills to **OPPOSE** We do not want armed guards in schools.

[SB 5052](#) Requires the criminal justice training commission, in collaboration with the office of the superintendent of public instruction school safety center, to develop training for school resource officers and to grant program to fund school resource officers.

2/01/19 Friday

Gun Safety

Hearing Rm A John L. O'Brien Building

House Committee on Civil Rights & Judiciary 2/1/19 at 10:00 AM

Support recommended by WA Gun Responsibility

Bills to **Support**:

[HB 1346](#) (Prohibits a person from selling, transferring, giving, or otherwise making available, any ammunition other than nonlead ammunition to a person who is under the age of twenty-one years (among other things))

[HB 1319](#) (Authorizes cities, towns, counties, and other municipalities to enact laws and ordinances that restrict the open carrying of firearms at a public meeting of the governing authority of the city, town, county, or other municipality.)

COMING SOON

January 29 Tuesday 6:45-8:45

OI ALL-MEMBER MEETING

Thurston County Courthouse, 2000 Lakeridge Drive, Bldg 1, Room 152

This is The Big One! The most important meeting of 2019! We are ready to introduce you to a whole new future! Plan on attending this crucial All-Member kick-off meeting on January 29. We will be rolling out The Big Plan for 2019 AND getting the teams in place who will Make It All Happen.

Save the date, put this on your calendar *now* and RSVP at olyindirsvp@gmail.com

February 1 Friday 6-8:00 pm

Olympia Indivisible Members TGIF Gathering!

Time for more genius ideas! **RJ's Gourmet Grill 318 4th Ave E Olympia**

February 20 Wednesday 8:30 am

Thurston Conservation District hearing rescheduled

The Washington State Conservation Commission (WSCC) has determined a new date to hold the Thurston Conservation District hearing. WSCC has rescheduled the hearing for Wednesday, February 20, 2019 beginning at 8:30 am. A location has not yet been determined. We will post an update with location information as soon as a venue is secured.

SOURCE: <https://scc.wa.gov/tcd->

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