

THIRD THURSDAY LUNCH AND LEARN

Many of NCJW's core issues are in the forefront. We want to ensure our members get the inside scoop from top tier speakers. Bring your lunch, we will provide drinks. It's also a great opportunity to introduce a friend to NCJW's impressive advocacy work.

DATES & TOPICS:

1/18 Human Trafficking - January is Human Trafficking month and our special guest Emily Russell, Executive Director, Human Trafficking Taskforce Missouri Attorney General's office, will give us an update on what the office of the Attorney General is doing to fight sex trafficking and labor trafficking across the state of Missouri. This updated information will form the foundation for planning our advocacy work on this issue in the coming year.

2/15 Legislative Priorities - With the Legislative session getting underway, join NCJW for an overview of the bills we will be focused on - both supporting and opposing. Whether you plan to join one of our Lobby Days in Jefferson City or you'll be expressing your opinions via letters and phone calls to your representatives, understanding the talking points on the various hot-button issues will help you make your voice heard in a more powerful and effective way.

3/15 School-to-Prison Pipeline. Black students are 4-6 times more likely to be suspended than their white peers, funneling many into the prison system and perpetuating the cycle of poverty, low educational attainment and structural inequities that span generations. Daniela Velazquez from the ACLU will share details of their initiative on unequal discipline and ways we can support those efforts and help improve outcomes for minority youth.

4/19 State Tax Reform - Our associates at the Missouri Budget Project will probably shock you with their insights into the quirks of our state tax code and the dangerous impact the resulting revenue decrease can have on the needs of women, children and families. The neighboring state of Kansas has implemented similar policies with results that are widely considered disastrous. Learn what can be done to intervene and minimize the damage.

Lunch and Learns are held at the NCJW STL offices at 295 N. Lindbergh, St. Louis MO 63141. We will begin gathering at 11:30 AM. Speakers will begin at noon. Please RSVP to Lisa at 314-993-5181 or lgjerswald@ncjwstl.org so that we can be sure to have adequate seating.



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