

The Deep Need for Repair

Unpacking the 2022 Congressional Voting Record



Welcome

Our Agenda:

- ☀️ The hard work of transforming our politics
- ☀️ A legislative look-back at 2022, the 2nd session of the 117th Congress
- ☀️ A discussion about what NETWORK scored in the Voting Record
- ☀️ How to deliver the Voting Record to your Member(s) of Congress

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The Hard Work of Transforming Our Politics



Looking Back at 2022

Great progress – and deep frustration:

- ☀️ Remarkable progress in the 117th Congress across issue areas.
- ☀️ Tight margins in both Houses drove what was possible.
- ☀️ Dem leadership alignment on Build Anew Agenda.
- ☀️ Your work back home made so much possible.



Lessons from 2022

- ☀️ Plant seeds early and often.
- ☀️ Look for opportunities in each bill to score a victory.
- ☀️ Bipartisanship is still the name of the game.
- ☀️ Unlikely partnerships are advantageous for progress.
- ☀️ When all else fails, pivot for success.



Wins Not Scored

☀️ Why we don't score some wins

- Bill too big
- Defense is a win



Wins Not Scored

POLICY ISSUE CHECK LIST

- ✓ Advances social and economic transformation
- ✗ Does not advance social and economic transformation



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| ✓ Electoral College reforms | ✓ Increased funding for healthcare in Puerto Rico |
| ✓ Increased funding for housing support | ✓ Continuous health coverage for children for 12 months regardless of family income |
| ✓ Increased funding for the Second Chance Act | ✓ Funding for pandemic preparedness |
| ✓ Mainstreaming Addiction Treatment (MAT) Act of 2021 | ✓ No tax credits for businesses without expanding the CTC |
| ✓ Restoring Hope for Mental Health and Well-Being Act of 2022 | ✓ The Pregnant Workers Fairness Act |
| ✓ Funding to end Black maternal health care crisis, including 12 months post-partum coverage | ✗ Expanded Child Tax Credit or Earned Income Tax Credit |
| ✓ Increased funding to shelter migrants | ✗ DACA Protections |
| ✓ Increased funding for legal services for unaccompanied migrant children | ✗ The EQUAL Act |
| ✓ Increased funding for reentry employment | ✗ Substantive voting rights reforms |
| ✓ Title 42 Policy blocked from becoming law | ✗ Sentencing Reform Package Provisions |



Wins Not Scored

Bills that are too big

☀️ Mix of wins & losses

- Pregnant Workers Fairness Act

☀️ Defensive wins

- Keeping out
 - Title 42 expulsion policy not codified



2022 Congressional Voting Record

NETWORK scored 13 votes in 2022, **five** in the Senate and **eight** in the House.

NETWORK recommended *Yes* votes on:

- ☀️ Protecting voting rights and elections
- ☀️ Workers' rights
- ☀️ Reforming the criminal legal system
- ☀️ Preventing discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or race
- ☀️ Confirming Justice Ketanji Brown Jackson to the Supreme Court...
and more!

2022 Congressional Voting Record



2022 was a year of great progress – and deep frustration – on Capitol Hill. Working with the Biden administration, Congress was able to take incremental steps to address some of the most pressing problems facing our country, but the work that remains to build anew is significant. A crowning achievement of the 117th Congress was the August passage of the Inflation Reduction Act with priorities including reversing “trickle down” tax policy, cutting the cost of drug prices for seniors, requiring drug companies to negotiate prices for Medicare, and increasing healthcare subsidies for working people. The Inflation Reduction Act also provides significant investment into domestic energy production while promoting clean energy.

In the House, the bipartisan January 6th Select Committee uncovered important details about former President Trump’s attempt to overthrow the results of the 2020 election that drive home the urgent need to protect our democracy. In the Senate, Justice Ketanji Brown Jackson’s wealth of legal experience and diverse lived experiences made her confirmation to the Supreme Court a significant achievement that brings us closer to achieving a more representative, inclusive, and just democracy. However, the 117th Congress’ failures to pass the Freedom to Vote: John Lewis Act, bring H.R.40 to a floor vote, and protect the international human right to seek asylum show the work that still remains for justice-seekers. Our work will continue on these and other priorities.

Senate 100% Voters

ARIZONA Kelly - SINEMA - CALIFORNIA Feinstein - Padilla - COLORADO Bennett - Hickenlooper - CONNECTICUT Blumenthal - Murphy - DELAWARE Carper - Coons - GEORGIA Osloff - Warnock - HAWAII Hirono - SCHATZ ILLINOIS Duckworth - Durbin - IOWA King - MARYLAND Cardin - VAN HOLLEN MASSACHUSETTS Markey - WARREN - MICHIGAN Peters - STEUBENOW MINNESOTA Klobuchar - Smith - MISSOURI Tester - NEVADA Cortez-Masto - ROSEN - NEW HAMPSHIRE Hassan - Shaheen - NEW JERSEY Booker - Menendez - NEW MEXICO Heinrich - Lujan - NEW YORK Gillibrand - OHIO Brown - OREGON Merkley - WYDEN - RHODE ISLAND Casey - RHODE ISLAND Reed - WHITEHOUSE VERMONT Leahy - VIRGINIA Kaine - WARNER - WASHINGTON Cantwell - Murray - WEST VIRGINIA Manchin - WISCONSIN Baldwin

House 100% Voters

ALABAMA Sewell - ALASKA Peltola - ARIZONA O'Halleran - Kirkpatrick - Grijalva - Gallego - Stanton - CALIFORNIA Huffman - Garamendi - Thompson, M. - Matsui - Bera - McNerney - Harder - DeSaulnier - Pelosi - Lee, B. - Speier - Swalwell - Costa - Khanna - Eshoo - Lofgren - Panetta - Carbajal - Brownley - Chu - Schiff - Cardenas - Sherman - Aguilar - Napolitano - Lieu - Gohmert - Torres - Ruiz - Bass - Sanchez - Roybal-Allard - Takano - Waters - Barragán - Porter - Correa - Lowenthal - Levin - Vargas - Peters - Jacobs - COLORADO DeGette - Neguse - Crow - Perlmutter - CONNECTICUT Larson, J. - Courtney - DeLauro - Himes - Hayes - DELAWARE Blunt Rochester - FLORIDA Lawson - Soto - Demings - Crist - Castor - Cherfilus-McCormick - Frankel - Deutch - Wasserman Schultz - Wilson, F. - GEORGIA Bishop, S. - Johnson, H. - Williams, N. - McBath - Bourdeaux - Scott, D. - HAWAII Case - KAHELE - ILLINOIS Rush - Kelly, R. - Newman - Garcia, J. - Quigley - Casten - Davis, D. - KRIVANOVICHI - SCHAKOWSKY - Schneider - Foster - Underwood - Bustos - INDIANA Niran - Carson - IOWA Aune - KANSAS Daniels - KENTUCKY Yarnall - LOUISIANA Carter, T. - MARIANA Progress - GOLDEN - MARYLAND Ruppel-Beniger - Sabarwal - Brown, A. - Hoyer - Trone - MIAMI Raskin - MASSACHUSETTS Neal - McGovern - Tiahon - Auchincloss - Clark, K. - Moulton - Presley - Lynch - Keating - MICHIGAN Kildee - Slotkin - Levin - Stevens - Dingell - Tlaib - Lawrence - MINNESOTA Craig - Phillips - McCollum - Omar - MISSISSIPPI Thompson, B. - MISSOURI Buh - Cleaver - NEVADA Titus - Lee, S. - Horsford - NEW HAMPSHIRE Kuster - NEW JERSEY Norcross - Kim - Gottheimer - Pallone - Malinowski - Sires - Pascrell - Payne - Sherrill - Watson Coleman - NEW MEXICO Stansbury - Leger Fernandez - NEW YORK Suozzi - Rice, K. - Meeks - Meng - Velázquez - Jeffries - Clarke - Nadler - Maloney, C. - Espallat - Ocasio-Cortez - Torres - Bowman - Jones - Maloney, S.P. - Delgado - Ryan, P. - Tonko - Morelle - Higgins, B. - NORTH CAROLINA Butterfield - Rios - Price - Manning - Adams - OHIO Beatty - Kaptur - Brown - Ryan, T. - OREGON Bonamici - Blumenauer - DeFazio - Schrader - PENNSYLVANIA Boyle - Evans - Dean - Scanlon - Houlihan - Wild - Cartwright - Lamb - Doyle - RHODE ISLAND Cicilino - Langevin - SOUTH CAROLINA Clyburn - TENNESSEE Cooper - Cohen - TEXAS Fletcher - Green, A. - Gonzalez - Escobar - Jackson Lee - Castro - Garcia, S. - Johnson, E. B. - Allied - Vessey - Vela - Doggett - VERMONT Welch - VIRGINIA Luria - Scott, R. - McEachin - Spanberger - Beyer - Weston - Connolly - WASHINGTON DeBene - Larsen, R. - Kilmer - Jayapal - Schrier - Smith, A. - Strickland - WISCONSIN Pocan - Kind - Moore

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2022 House Voting Record

- ☀️ Respect for Marriage Act (Passed 267-157)
- ☀️ Inflation Reduction Act (Passed 220-207)
- ☀️ Presidential Election Reform Act (Passed 229-203)

2022 Senate Voting Record

- ☀️ Confirmation of Justice Ketanji Brown Jackson
(Passed 53-47)
- ☀️ Freedom to Vote: John Lewis Act
(Passed House – Failed in Senate)

Scorecard Votes Explained

- ☀️ What bills are these? Strong consensus in Washington limits the need for mobilizing the NETWORK.
- ☀️ When we ask for help, it is because we need it to win.
- ☀️ Keep on keeping on
 - Our work is for a lifetime, not a Congress!



The Journey Ahead in 2023

- ☀️ Not Yet Successful Legislative Advocacy Campaigns
 - Substantive Voting Rights Reforms/Presidential Election Reform Act, DISCLOSE Act
 - EQUAL Act, Child Tax Credits/Earned Income Tax Credits
 - Protection for Dreamers, H.R.40 Reparations Commission
- ☀️ Keep on keeping on
 - Again, **YOU** make wins possible!
 - Our work is for a lifetime, not just a Congress!



Deliver the Voting Record

- ☀️ Set up a meeting with the State or District Director, either in-person or virtually
- ☀️ Arrange a time to drop off the Voting Record at the nearest office
- ☀️ Email the Voting Record to the district office(s)

Whichever method you choose, you will need to call your Member's district office ahead of time to schedule a meeting or obtain the correct email address.



Deliver the Voting Record

- ☀️ Invite other advocates to go with you
- ☀️ Let NETWORK know about your commitment to make a delivery
- ☀️ Download a copy of the Voting Record
- ☀️ Please report back to NETWORK — and share pictures!



Deliver the Voting Record

Message to Members who scored 100%

- ☀️ Thank you! (Give them their 100% certificate)
- ☀️ Focus on the Inflation Reduction Act
- ☀️ Legislation we still need:
 - Expanded Child Tax Credit
 - EQUAL Act
 - Voting Rights
 - Presidential Election Reform Act

Deliver the Voting Record

Virtual Visit/Message to **Passing** Representative

- ☀️ Thank you for where you voted with NETWORK
- ☀️ How can we support you?

Message to **Failing** Members of Congress

- ☀️ Express disappointment
- ☀️ Explore opportunities to work together and Build Anew

Save the Date

Upcoming Events:

- ☀️ **January Community Conversation**
Monday, Jan. 23 at 7:00 PM Eastern/4:00 PM Pacific
- ☀️ **Look at the 118th Congress Webinar**
Thursday, March 2 at 7:00 PM Eastern/4:00 Pacific

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