



# Our webinar will begin shortly.









## Melcome.





#### **Build Anew!**

## NETWORK's 2022 Legislative Agenda





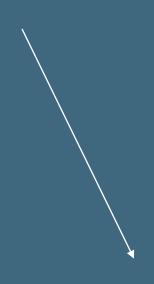
## Welcome

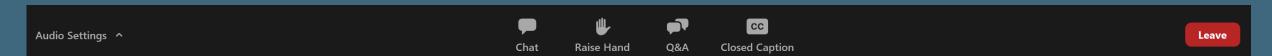
#### **Our Agenda**

- State of the Union 2022
- Build Anew Cornerstones
- Criminal Legal System Reform
- Building Back Better 2.0 Priorities
- Updates: H.R.40, Labor, Democracy, and Immigration
- Q&A
- Call to Action

## **Zoom Webinar**

To turn on captions:

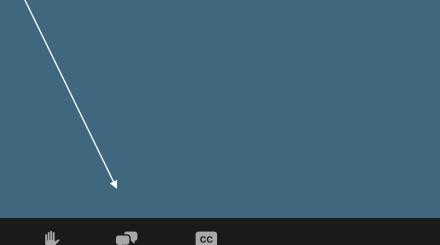




## **Zoom Webinar**

Type Questions here:

Audio Settings ^



**Closed Caption** 

## **State of the Union 2022**

#### A roadmap to rebuilding solidarity, based in encounter.

President Biden addressed:

- The continuing COVID-19 pandemic and Putin's invasion of Ukraine
- Respecting the rights of workers
- Protecting the right to vote
- Supreme Court Nominee Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson!

We ask President Biden to bring the **same justice focus** to his Administration's work on all policy areas.



## **Cornerstones to Build Anew**

**Dismantle**Systemic Racism

**Cultivate**Inclusive Community

Root Our Economy in Solidarity

Transform
Our Politics

## **Criminal Legal System Reform**

- President Biden's SOTU and Recent House Activity
- Substance Abuse Justice
  - Mainstreaming Addiction Treatment (MAT) Act (H.R.1384/S.445)
- Policing Reform
  - Emmett Till Anti-Lynching Act (H.R.55)



## **Criminal Legal System Reform**

- Senate is currently considering Sentencing Reform Bills
- The Eliminating a Quantifiably Unjust Application of the Law (EQUAL) Act (S.79)
  - Passed the House in Sept. 2021, 361-66
  - Currently in Judiciary Committee
- Package of Three Bills
  - 1. First Step Implementation Act (S.1014)
  - 2. The Prohibiting Punishment of Acquitted Conduct Act (S.601)
  - 3. The COVID-19 Safer Detention Act (S.312)



## Build Back Better 2.0: Coming Soon!

- Senator Joe Manchin has the pen
- What does Joe want (today)?
- Fewer, permanent programs, including:
  - Tax the Rich
  - Tax Credits for Affordable Health Care
  - Expanding Childcare and Pre-K Services
  - Expanding Home Care Services
  - Incentives to Curb Climate Change



### **Build Back Better 2.0**

- What's on NETWORK's list, but not on Joe's...Yet?
  - Expanding the Child Tax Credit and the Earned Income Tax Credit
  - Expanding Housing Programs
  - Closing the Medicaid Coverage Gap and Protections for Black Maternal Health
  - Providing Permanent Family and Paid Leave
  - Immigration Protections



### The Latest – H.R. 40

H.R.40 – Commission to Study Reparations for Black Americans

Needs only two additional co-sponsors

## The Latest – H.R. 40

#### Hold Outs:

- Rep. Cartwright, Rep. Davids, Rep. Golden
- Rep. Kind, Rep. Stephanie Murphy, Rep. O'Halleran
- Rep. Schrader, Rep. Schrier, Rep. Spanberger

Call to Action: Ask these House Members to co-sponsor H.R. 40!

## **Labor Reform**

- The Pregnant Workers Fairness Act:
  Our Big Push
- **Paid Family and Medical Leave:**What is the Path Forward?
- The Protecting the Right to Organize Act: Expanding Unions Expands Workers Rights



## **Democracy Update**

- SCOTUS Nominee, Judge Jackson
- President Biden's SOTU
  - Continue to reset, refocus, recommit to work after Jan. 19, 2022 Senate vote failure
  - Freedom to Vote Act (S.2747)
  - John Lewis Voting Rights Act (S.4)
  - Democracy is Strengthened by Casting Light on Spending in Elections (DISCLOSE) Act (S.443)
- Local elections and efforts



## Immigration: What's Next?

- Pathway to Citizenship
- Build Back Better/Reconciliation
- In Appropriations
  - Funding for legal representation
  - Funding for United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS)
- Pushing Support for New Legislation
  - Lift the Bar Act (H.R.5227)
  - Real Courts, Rule of Law Act (H.R.6577)



## Immigration: What's Next?

- Border Policy & Non-Detention
- In Appropriations
  - Funding for shelters and local groups
  - Reduce funding for detention
  - Funding for oversight mechanism of ICE and CBP
- New Comprehensive Legislation
- Preventing Legislation that Pursue Deterrence Policies
  - Bipartisan Border Solutions Act (Senate)
  - Dignity Act (House)







## Save the Date

White Supremacy and American Christianity
A Conversation with Robert P. Jones and Fr. Bryan Massingale

Saturday, April 9 at 12:30 PM Eastern/9:30 AM Pacific networklobby.org/uschristanityconvo

NETWORK 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Advocates Training and Gala

Thursday, April 21-Saturday, April 23, Washington D.C. networklobby.org/network50/training

networklobby.org/events

## Stay Connected

## www.networklobby.org



- info@networklobby.org
- **@NETWORKLobby**
- @NETWORKLobby
- @network\_lobby







# Thank you!



