



Shreveport/Bossier Women's March January 21, 2017

Speakers (in order): Debbie Hollis, Levette Fuller, Alan Dyson, Michael Chisum, Kristin Hammett, Rebecca Norris, Rev. Barbara Jarrell, Dr. Jaya McSharma, Mariam Tamica Harley, Iris Harper, Abbas Moussaoui

The 2017 Women's March Mission Statement

"On January 21, 2017, we stand together in solidarity with our partners and children for the protection of our rights, our safety, our health, and our families -- recognizing that our vibrant and diverse communities are the strength of our country. The rhetoric of the past election cycle has insulted, demonized, and threatened many of us-- women, immigrants of all statuses, those with diverse religious faiths particularly Muslim, people who identify as LGBTQIA, Native and Indigenous people, Black and Brown people, people with disabilities, the economically impoverished and survivors of sexual assault. We are confronted with the question of how to move forward in the face of national and international concern and fear. In the spirit of democracy and honoring the champions of human rights, dignity, and justice who have come before us, we join in diversity to show our presence in numbers too great to ignore. This Women's March will send a bold message to our new administration on their first day in office, and to the world that women's rights are human rights. We stand together, recognizing that defending the most marginalized among us is defending all of us. We support the advocacy and resistance movements that reflect our multiple and intersecting identities. We call on all defenders of human rights to join us. This march is a step towards unifying our communities, grounded in new relationships, to create change from the grassroots level up. We will not rest until women have parity and equity at all levels of leadership in society. We work peacefully while recognizing there is no true peace without justice and equity for all. HEAR OUR VOICE."

After the reading, we will march around the courthouse back to our starting point, then dissipate. All are welcome to meet at Crystal Stairs restaurant adjacent to the courthouse immediately after the march ends to eat (Dutch treat), and discuss future equality & activism plans for North Louisiana.



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Join at www.now.org/join
or ask Debbie Hollis for a paper application today.
Incripciones para hacerse una miembro de NOW estan disponibles. Pidele un folleto a Debbie Hollis hoy.
Email questions/comments to shreveportbossiernow@gmail.com.

Agreements for Women's March participants

- We will not destroy or damage property.
- We will use no violence (physical or verbal) towards any person. Violence of any kind will be reported immediately to the police.
- We will promote a tone of respect, honesty, transparency, and accountability in our actions.
- We will not carry anything that can be construed as a weapon, nor possess (or consume) any alcohol or drugs.
- We are non-partisan. These national Women's Marches exist to express our support for women's rights and human rights in our communities and the country, rather than to criticize politicians or political parties.
- If you brought a sign in favor of or opposing a political party or elected official, we respectfully ask that you lay it down before the march begins.
- Sound amplification objects like megaphones and microphones are forbidden by law.
- Please stay on the sidewalk during the march. Do not stand or walk in the street.
- We will all hold each other accountable to respecting these agreements.