

How to Advocate to Your Lawmaker

WORKSHEET FOR RESEARCHING YOUR LAWMAKER

Info needed	Good sources	Your notes about what you learn
Basics		
Name of lawmaker to target	Federal: www.congress.gov www.house.gov www.senate.gov State: state legislature's website	
Who I'm meeting with (the lawmaker or a staff member)	Ask the lawmaker's office when you make the appointment	
Lawmaker's website	Federal: www.congress.gov www.house.gov www.senate.gov State: state legislature's website	
Lawmaker's office address	Lawmaker's website	
Phone	Lawmaker's website	
Email	Lawmaker's website	

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Policies and politics		
Lawmaker's party	Federal: www.house.gov www.senate.gov State: state legislature's website or lawmaker's website	
Committees the lawmaker serves on	Lawmaker's website	
Lawmaker's top three policy interests	Lawmaker's website votesmart.org Google News articles	
Lawmaker's views about funding homelessness programs	Lawmaker's website votesmart.org Google News articles	
Lawmaker's views about government support for affordable housing	Lawmaker's website votesmart.org Google News articles	
Lawmaker's hobbies or cultural interests	Lawmaker's website Lawmaker's social media	
If you're meeting with a staffer: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staffer's role • Staffer's policy areas 	Ask the office when you make the appointment	