

# The Texas Reproductive Rights Rally

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### • Who we are:

- o Co-hosts of the 2018 Austin Women's March with March On TX
- Hosts and creators of the annual TX Roe V Wade Rallies every January around the Roe V Wade Supreme Court decision anniversary since 2014
- Founded in 2013 to help preserve the momentum gained that Summer by the reproductive justice activism community and to provide a countervoice to the annual anti choice Rally for Life
- Grassroots and Survivor Led
- o Founders include: Amanda Rosa, Andrea Hughes, and Paula Trietsch Chaney
- President since 2016 and Webmaster since 2013: Andrea Hughes

# • We believe:

- Everyone deserves a voice
- Every voice has value
- Representation matters
- Anyone can contribute to the movement regardless of experience level
- Abortion care is health care
- o Abortion care is safe when it is legal

- Every pregnant person should have a choice
- No pregnant person should have to risk their life, function, freedom, safety, and/or wellbeing to exercise that choice
- Personal stories have the power to connect people with the issues emotionally, making them less abstract and scary

# • Our goals going forward are:

- To foster a more diverse, intersectional, and interconnected reproductive justice activism community through annual Roe V Wade Rally events
- O To maintain an open doorway into the reproductive justice activism that is easily found, accessible, inclusive, and geared towards helping anyone and everyone find a role that suits them within the reproductive justice activism community
- To create an annually repeating grassroots accessible high-visibility speaking
  platform for survivors, grassroots activists, volunteers from the front lines, those
  deprived of a voice, and others with stories that can help the audience emotionally
  connect with the issues and intersections of reproductive justice
- To create an annually repeating community information table fair where reproductive justice allied local activism organizations can distribute information, educate the public, collect mailing list information, and connect their volunteers face to face with a large pool of potential volunteers and donors both new and old every year
- To maintain an up-to date online directory of local reproductive justice allied community activism organizations
- To assist local activism organizations such as the Texas Handmaids with Fake Clinic\Crisis Pregnancy Center research efforts to work towards getting Texans the real health care they need and deserve
- Call to Action: We call for all shareholders, stakeholders, organizations, community improvement projects, nonprofit groups, civic organizations, and individual volunteers to prepare to help organize and run and participate in next year's event, the Texas Women's March and Rally 2019. Various affiliated websites will have information on how to help with the planning within the next few months. We intend to have the first steering committee meeting by the end of March 2018. We invite you to go forth from this event in peace and prosperity, and encourage all to become actively engaged and involved in political and community events within the upcoming year, with the intent of improving the lives of the community members in both the great state of Texas, and its capitol of Austin. Above all, we encourage you to register to vote, to encourage and enable others to do the same, and to show up at the polls to cast a vote that resonates with you and carries the courage of your convictions forward into the upcoming years.