

NCWU Membership Application

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NCWU Membership Dues

- Organization Annual Budget under \$3500
\$35/year
- Organization Annual Budget \$3500 - \$100,000
\$75/year
- Organization Annual Budget \$100,000 - \$500,000
\$150/year
- Organization Annual Budget over \$500,000
\$250/year

Friends of NCWU*

- Supporter* \$35+/year
- Student/Limited Income* \$15/year

Send membership form & dues to:

**North Carolina Women United
Post Office Box 10013
Raleigh, North Carolina 27605**

NCWU is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.
Contributions made by individuals are tax deductible.
Phone: 1-866-518-7657

WHY OUR WORK CONTINUES...

- Women make up **51%** of North Carolina's population. There are more than 4,230,000 women living in North Carolina today.
- Women in North Carolina earn only **76¢** for every \$1 earned by men.
- **52%** of women who need contraceptives services and supplies in North Carolina rely on publicly supported contraceptive services.
- **44,895** people were served by domestic violence programs in North Carolina in the year 2002-2003. Of these, **12,510** adults and children were given shelter.
- **15%** of North Carolina's women of child-bearing age fall below the federal poverty line.
- North Carolina ranks 25th in the US in terms of women in its legislature, with **39 women out of 170 members** of its General Assembly.
- **80** of North Carolina's 100 counties have no abortion provider.
- In North Carolina, **1 in 5** women have been sexually assaulted at some point in their lives.
- North Carolina has one of the country's **highest rates of working mothers** with children.
- The number of **10-14 year-old girls** who became pregnant in North Carolina in 2002 could fill 10 school buses.
- Despite being more than half of North Carolina's population, women own less than **1/4** of the state's businesses.

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Making a Difference
in North Carolina
Public Policy*

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OUR MISSION, VISION AND GOALS...

NC WOMEN UNITED (NCWU) is a coalition of progressive organizations and individuals working to achieve the full political, social, and economic equality of all women across North Carolina. NCWU works to build women's power through grassroots activism, community organizing, legislative advocacy, and engagement in the political process.

To achieve full political, social, and economic equality, NCWU advances laws and policies that:

- Increase the participation of women as voters, leaders, and decision-makers in the political process;
- Ensure freedom from domestic violence and sexual assault;
- Protect and advance reproductive freedom;
- Promote access to training and educational opportunities that lead to meaningful employment;
- Provide full and equal civil rights;
- Recognize and respond to the needs of women and their families for affordable and accessible services, including health care, child care, and elder care;
- Secure pay equity and economic self-sufficiency;
- Eliminate hunger, poverty, and homelessness; and
- End discrimination in all areas of public life.



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OUR WORK AND PROGRAMS...

WOMEN'S AGENDA ASSEMBLIES

NC Women United organizes Women's Agenda Assemblies in collaboration with local groups across the state to bring women of diverse backgrounds together to study, discuss & prioritize public policy issues affecting women's lives.

WOMEN'S ADVOCACY DAY

NC Women United sponsors Women's Advocacy Day at the North Carolina General Assembly. In 2004, NCWU added a "virtual Advocacy Day" component so that women across the state can join the hundreds of women gathered in Raleigh to talk to legislators about critical issues.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT CARD

NCWU produces a bi-annual legislative report card to evaluate our legislature's performance on important issues identified by NCWU and its members. The report card is distributed to all members of the North Carolina General Assembly and publicly through our website.

ONGOING ADVOCACY & COMMUNICATION

NC Women United member organizations share important information and support each other's work through email lists, legislative alerts via email, monthly meetings, a quarterly newsletter, and forums and special events across the state.

WHY YOU SHOULD JOIN...

GRASSROOTS LEADERSHIP — NCWU builds women's power at the grassroots level through our Women's Agenda Assemblies and other programs. We welcome new members, leaders, and activists from all backgrounds and all parts of the state!

NETWORKING — Through NCWU, you can build contacts with individuals and organizations across the state that share your values and concerns. Our members and friends connect on the internet, by phone, by email, and face-to-face.

STRONG ADVOCACY — NCWU programs like Women's Advocacy Day, the Legislative Report Card, and local Agenda Assemblies provide strong advocacy on critical issues. These programs along with our email alerts, newsletter, and meetings give you tools to be a strong advocate .

EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION — NCWU membership gives your organization direct access to our members statewide, enabling you to quickly reach a broad base of active, concerned constituents.

NAME RECOGNITION — As a member of NCWU, your name is connected with a statewide coalition of more than 30 organizations **AND** with the work we do to improve women's lives across the state.