



Our 2023 Impact

A Year of Action

Filed a major **federal civil rights lawsuit** with partners against the Etowah County Detention Center and jail officials in Alabama on behalf of a woman who was forced to give birth in a jail shower under horrifying conditions to ensure that this doesn't happen to anyone else ever again.



Trained more than **3,000** lawmakers, prosecutors, defense attorneys, medical students, law students, social workers, healthcare providers, and public health researchers by providing discipline-specific guidance on how they can **take action** against pregnancy criminalization.

Represented or supported nearly **60 people** facing charges related to pregnancy, family separation, or other violations of their rights in **15 states**. This includes helping to reunite a family in Texas, obtaining an early release for an Oklahoma woman who experienced a stillbirth, and supporting an Ohio woman's successful appeal of her conviction for pregnancy and drug use.



Assisted more than **110 people** who contacted us for help by providing referrals, know-your-rights information, or direct assistance.



In **Oklahoma**, we **coordinated** the state's first legislative study on the criminalization of pregnant people, testifying alongside partners. In **New York**, we **testified** against mandatory reporting in healthcare and the hospital-to-family policing system (child welfare) pipeline it creates.

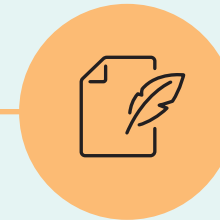
Co-wrote and submitted two sets of comments on behalf of Pregnancy Justice and more than **120 organizations** to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to **expand privacy protections** under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) to make it more difficult for private reproductive health and substance use information to be shared with law enforcement.



Featured in more than **50 local and national news outlets** — where we shared our work and framed the discussion on bodily autonomy and pregnancy criminalization in print, online, TV, and radio — including The Washington Post, New York Magazine, NPR, CNN, Forbes, The Guardian, Jezebel, The Marshall Project, AL.com, The Frontier, and The Tennessee Tribune.



Supported 12 bills that sought protections for perinatal people and **opposed 4 bills** with the potential to increase harm. Three of the helpful bills were signed into law, and two of the harmful bills were defeated.



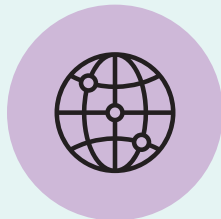
Organized or contributed to 4 amicus briefs before appellate courts in California, New Jersey, and New York.



Published our groundbreaking report, ***The Rise of Pregnancy Criminalization***, and data center, showing an acceleration of arrests and prosecutions of pregnant people in the years leading up to the overturning of *Roe v. Wade*. We also **launched** the **Pregnancy Prosecutions Tracking Project** for future cases.



Submitted reports with partner organizations **detailing human rights violations** in post-*Dobbs* America to the Human Rights Committee of the U.N. and U.N. Special Rapporteurs.



This report shows our impact through October 2023.