

DEMOCRACY IS NOT A SPECTATOR SPORT

"As far as possible, citizens should take an active part in public life" (Catechism of the Catholic Church no. 1915).

WHAT IS ADVOCACY?

Advocacy is taking action to support a cause or proposal.

Advocacy encompasses educating and mobilizing citizens.

Advocacy involves citizens in developing and promoting policies they care about.



"Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are destitute. Speak up and judge fairly; defend the rights of the poor and needy" (Proverbs 31:8-9)

The Office of Life, Justice & Peace webpage makes it easy to keep track of opportunities for advocacy. Follow this [link](#) for the latest information:

- Current Action Alerts
- Advocacy Made Simple: A Toolkit
- Quick Reference Guide for when you advocate on issues of importance to your community

Bookmark this page for easy reference. (You will also find links to our Catholic partners' advocacy pages.)

"The individual who is animated by true charity labors skillfully to discover the causes of misery, to find the means to combat it, to overcome it resolutely." *Blessed Paul VI*



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