



Advocacy Update

WRJ Programming Guide for 2015 Resolutions

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[WRJ Programming Guide for 2015 Resolutions Now Available!](#)

Since 1915, Women of Reform Judaism (formerly the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods) has passed resolutions, taking official positions, recommending action, and offering guidance to WRJ's women's groups across a broad array of policy topics and issues of concern.

Continuing this unbroken chain of social action, at the 2015 WRJ Assembly, and after much hard work by the Resolutions Committee and months of lively debate, delegates of WRJ's many sisterhoods across North America and the world voted to pass three new resolutions.

WRJ reaffirmed its commitment to women's rights, economic equality, and workplace fairness, by passing its 2015 resolution on [Pay Equity](#). WRJ's pay equity advocacy initiative will begin a new conversation about women's equality in the workplace, in society, and in our personal lives to ensure that the next generation of women will not face the same injustices women face today.

WRJ displayed its commitment to worker and economic justice by passing its 2015 resolution in support of [Paid Family and Medical Leave](#). Though we've seen significant progress toward worker justice in the past, too many workers still must choose between their health and their jobs; between the health of their families and financial security. It is time for this to change, and WRJ is ready to take action!

In its 2015 resolution on [Distracted Driving](#), WRJ will advocate in a new area of social action that has a great potential to bring together people of all ages around one issue. We must take steps to educate and take action on this issue to avoid injuries and deaths that are very much preventable.

All three of these resolutions help set the stage for expanded advocacy on the part of WRJ women by highlighting the core social justice topics of today and tomorrow. Now that the stage is set, we must translate our resolutions into tangible actions. WRJ is pleased to announce that we have prepared supplemental programming and advocacy materials for all of the 2015 resolutions!

In the 2015 [Resolutions Programming and Advocacy Guide](#), you will find programming and advocacy suggestions, a list of resources, and a set of talking points to help shape and guide your writing and advocacy on each of the 2015 resolutions. These materials will truly kick-start our advocacy in 2016!

Please feel free to contact [Tracy Wolf](#), Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism Eisendrath Legislative Assistant, with questions or for further guidance on social action projects in your women's group, your congregation, or your community.

And if you have never experienced the magic of a WRJ Assembly or wish to relive it, please watch our [2015 assembly highlights video](#), and consider attending our next WRJ gathering, the [2017 Fried Leadership Conference](#) in Charleston, SC!