



NDWA worker newsletter: Fall 2019 | Your update on domestic worker news & activities

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NATIONAL DOMESTIC WORKERS ALLIANCE

2019 is going by in a flash! Here's the latest on what's going on now and has been happening over the past few months! This newsletter includes:

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Recognizing nannies: National Nanny Recognition Week

National Nanny Recognition Week is coming up soon! We'll be celebrating nannies and all of the important work you do between September 22nd and 28th (and the rest of the year, of course!)

All nannies deserve to have dignity, feel empowered and know they have a voice at work! It's important for nannies to have the skills to advocate for themselves, their pay, and their time off. We're so glad to be in community with you to support nannies and all domestic workers to have the community, skills and benefits you need.

Celebrating our history - Celebrating Dorothy Bolden Day!



Dorothy Bolden, a Black domestic worker, is the architect of our movement -- she founded the National Domestic Worker's Union of America. She started organizing domestic workers in her hometown of Atlanta, and eventually organized 13,000 women from ten different cities! The union increased wages, improved working conditions, and gained recognition for domestic workers.

We thank her and honor her in our work. And on Dorothy Bolden Day -- her birthday, October 13th -- we celebrate her, and all of the accomplishments that domestic workers have made!

NDWA's We Dream in Black program is planning activities in honor of Dorothy Bolden day specifically for Black, African, Caribbean & Afro-Latinx domestic worker in or near Atlanta, Boston Durham, Houston, Miami, or New York City. If that describes you, and you'd like to celebrate Dorothy Bolden Day with us, just reply to this email or email us at membership@domesticworkers.org for more information!

If you can't make it to any of the in-person events, over the next month we're offering a special special discount on NDWA membership just for Black domestic workers. For \$50 a year (a \$10 discount off the regular price!) you can support our movement and get great NDWA member benefits like life insurance. [Sign up here](#).

Fighting for rights - nationally and locally

Federal Bill of Rights

Congress is back in session! **We currently have 50 co-sponsors for our National Domestic Workers Bill of Rights**, and we need to grow that number to make sure we pass the Bill that's going to guarantee us rights and respect at work.

That means we all need to make sure our representatives have heard from us! By texting BILL to 97779, our automated system will connect you to your Member of Congress. You should tell them that you're a domestic worker and that you want them to support the National Domestic Worker Bill of Rights!

If you need more information on the Bill of Rights, want to find out what we need to do next to make this bill into law, or just want to register your support, [visit our site](#).

State and City Bill of Rights

Besides our work to win a National Bill of Rights, we also have some exciting Bill of Rights campaigns moving in different cities!

- **New York City:** On Monday, 9/9, domestic workers and allies rallied at the Mayor's Office to show support for the Paid Personal Time Bill. It's moving quickly and we hope to pass it ASAP!
- **Philadelphia:** City Council introduced a Domestic Workers Bill of Rights in June, right before their summer recess. They are now back in session, and we are pushing to pass the Bill this fall!
- **Washington, DC:** Domestic workers in DC have been organizing for more rights at work -- and thanks to them, City Council JUST introduced a Domestic Workers Bill of Rights on September 17! Help make this bill law - [sign the petition here](#).

Register to vote!

You may already be focused on the Presidential election, which is right around the corner! This election will be crucial in determining the future of our communities. If you're not yet registered to vote, take two minutes and register now, at vote.gov. If you're not eligible to vote, you can share this information with friends and family who are. EVERY domestic worker can make sure that our voices are heard this year!

Again, it only takes a few short minutes -- so go to vote.gov and share with your friends too!

Tell us about you!

There's a lot happening with NDWA, including opportunities for gig workers (workers who find work through apps) to connect and fight for rights, local events and activities, and our campaigns around immigration justice and uniting families.

[Fill out this form to let us know your interests](#) so we can send you the information that most interests you.

And [check our list of local NDWA affiliates and chapters](#) to find out how you can connect with a local domestic worker group near you!

With love & appreciation,

Maria, Barbara & the NDWA membership team

Join NDWA today!

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