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## Welcome

#### Dear Advocates!

Young Invincibles is excited and honored to host you at our 2023 Deep In the Heart of Advocacy Day at the Texas Capitol! We are a national, non-partisan, nonprofit organization committed to elevating the voices of young adults in the political process, and expanding economic opportunity for 18-34 year-olds. Since 2009, Young Invincibles has been committed to empowering, educating, and equipping young adults with the necessary tools to be powerful and effective agents of change. We have worked incredibly hard to amplify the voice of young folks in the political process, and have sought ways to expand economic opportunity.

We've been at the table during some of the most consequential moments of the last decade. We've advised presidents, shifted perspective, lent our voices, and have built several movements with and for young people all across the country, including right here in the great state of Texas! And even now, we remain more dedicated than ever to building and supporting the next generation of advocates, allies, and changemakers.

Your attendance here today and interest in engaging within this type of work does not go unnoticed. Your commitment to advocating for the change you intend to realize speaks volumes to your peers, us, and our leaders in the Capitol.

As you read this workbook, the message is simple: your power is your voice!

IN POWER,

GREG NORWOOD

SOUTHERN ORGANIZING AND ENGAGEMENT MANAGER

## What is Advocacy Day?



Advocacy Day is about realizing the future is in our hands and acting on this realization. Take the opportunity to engage directly with decision-makers, dive deep into issues that affect your community, and connect with other passionate and powerful young adults. There will be more than 150 passionate advocates on the day of advocacy, and each of us will rally for accessible higher education, increased workforce opportunities, equitable health care access, and civic engagement.

Whether you're a seasoned advocate or new to the game, this is your chance to make your voice heard and fight for the issues that matter most to our generation.

## What to expect?

On Advocacy Day, we will gather at the Texas Capitol to discuss specific issues with state representatives and let our voices be heard. Young Invincibles will transport you to the Capitol From your region by bus, and food will also be provided. Everyone is encouraged to wear business casual or smart casual attire but no shorts or overly casual clothing. Expect to have an exciting time exercising your right to political action. We look forward to seeing you there!

#### But, what are we advocating for? We'll be bold as we advocate for:

- Accessibility of comprehensive, affordable health coverage
- Expansion apprenticeships and work-based learning opportunities
- Improvement of campus voting options
- Increase support for parenting students
- Protection for students as they navigating existing loan debt

# DEEP IN THE HEART OF ADVOCACY SCHEDULE

9;30AM - 10:00AM

Breakfast at the REJ Conference Center

10:00AM - 10:15AM

Lege Meetings Prep/Overview of Agenda

10:15 A M - 10:30 P M

Walk to Capitol

10:30 A M - 12:30 P M

Scheduled Lege Meetings

12:30 PM - 1:40 PM

Lunch

1:45 PM - 2:15 PM

Banner Drop

2:15PM - 3:00PM

Photo-Op/Lege Drop-Ins

3:00 PM - 3:15 PM

**Buses Depart** 

## Overview of the Texas Legislature

The Texas legislature meets for 140 days every other year.

The House and Senate both have their own processes and rules, but there are constitutional rules they must abide by. Overall, there are 4 main bill stages: introduction, committee action, floor action, and enrollment.



THE HOUSE



THE SENATE



THE GOVERNOR

is composed of 150 members and that includes the speaker of the house who is currently Dade Phelan. The speaker's position is to appoint people to certain committees and choose which bills are to be discussed.

is composed of 31 members and the lieutenant governor who right now is Dan Patrick. The lieutenant is a part of the executive branch and elected for a 4 year term by a statewide election. His duties are to appoint committee chairs, members and point of order. The lieutenant also considers which bills are presented on the senate floor.

who is now Greg
Abbot, is the most
important piece to
the Texas legislation.
The Governor has
the power to Veto,
sign legislation,
appoint
boards/heads of
state agencies and
call a special session.

## TX 2023 Priorities

DEEP IN THE HEART OF ADVOCACY

## Civic Engagement

Young Invincibles amplifies the voices of young adults by expanding opportunities to participate in the political process, to advocate for the issues they care about, and to exercise their right to vote.

1

Increase voting access for Texas students to promote political civic engagement

2

Pursue Student ID as a Voter ID to facilitate voting for students

3

Expand on-campus polling places for college campuses with over 8,000 student

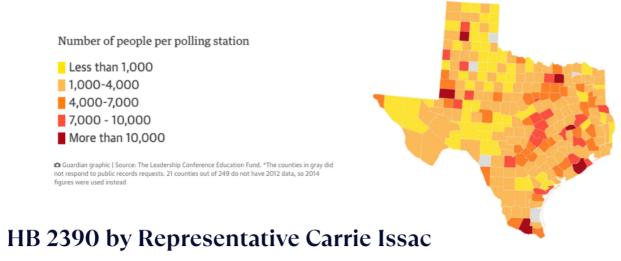


## **Polling Places on Campus**

### HB 644 by Representative Gina Hinjosa

For too many Texas students, Election Day polling locations are placed away from campus, making it difficult for students to have their voices heard in the democratic process. Limited public transportation does little to ease the issue. For busy college students, many of whom have multiple obligations, this barrier can be difficult to overcome in order to vote. HB 644 would require institutions with at least 8,000 students enrolled to designate a polling place in the main area of campus.

## In the last 10 years, Texas has closed a total of 750 polling locations — the most of any state.



HB 2390 is a bill **banning** on-campus polling locations. This bill directly targets areas with universities and would **undermine the political power of young voters**.

Young Invincibles recommends legislators vote in favor of HB 644 and vote against HB 2390

### Student IDs to Vote

### HB 75 by Representative Erin Zweiner

Young adults in Texas face many barriers in their attempts to exercise their right to vote. One of these roadblocks is the inaccessibility of acquiring valid photo-IDs for many students. HB 75 expand the definition of valid Voter ID to include Student IDs from community colleges and 4-year institutions which would make it easier for many young adults across the state to vote and participate in our democracy.



### 1.5 million

Texas is home to more than 1.5 million college students, representing a significant portion of the electorate.

### Why validating Student IDs as a Voter ID is necessary?

- Texas currently has some of the strictest Voter ID laws in the nation. Texas Courts have even ruled 5 times that these laws are intentionally discriminatory in nature.
- Many students do not have driver's licenses—the most commonly used form of photo ID—and their student IDs are often their only form of photo identification.
- In Texas, handgun licenses are considered valid voter identification but state-institution issued student IDs are not, this is a clear example of the barriers in place to discourage youth participation in voting.

## Young Invincibles recommends legislators vote in favor of HB 75

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## Healthcare

Access to health care has been one of the defining calls of our time, especially during this pandemic. Equitable access to health care is more essential than ever.

1

Create and solidify paths for young Texans to have access to full and affordable health coverage.

2

Support continuity of care for those enrolled in assistance programs such as Healthy Texas Women, CHIP, and Medicaid.

3

Build upon efforts in the 87th legislative session to reduce maternal mortality, by expanding access to Medicaid for a full twelve months postpartum and long term comprehensive coverage.



## Medicaid Postpartum

### HB 12 by Representative Toni Rose, et al.

Every woman in Texas who needs access to postpartum coverage should be able to receive these services and raise a healthy family. Right now, women are covered on Medicaid only for the 60 days following childbirth. HB 12 proposes to provide medical assistance for eligible pregnant women for no less than 12 months following childbirth or an involuntary miscarriage. This bill recognizes that for mothers and their child to have healthy and prosperous lives, it is critical that they get the necessary medical attention they need for up to a year after childbirth.

### 4 out 5

It is estimated in Texas, approximately 4 out of 5 of pregnancy-related deaths are preventable

### 1 in 4

Texas Women of childbearing age do not have health insurance

### **35**

States have adopted 12 month postpartum coverage

### 12 months of Postpartum Healthcare

A full year of coverage after pregnancy ensures new mothers have access to comprehensive health coverage and medical care. One in four Texas women of childbearing age do not have health insurance (26 percent). 12 months postpartum coverage has been adopted in most states (35 states), including Alabama, South Carolina, Florida, Louisiana, Kentucky, Ohio, and West Virginia.

### **Prevent Maternal Complications and Keep Families Intact**

Texas moms often face medical issues and complications in the year following pregnancy — such as postpartum depression, cardiac arrest, infection, and extreme blood loss or hemorrhage. These issues often lead to extra hospital stays, long-term health problems for mother and baby, and higher costs to Medicaid and the state. The Texas Maternal Mortality & Morbidity Review Committee found that 27 percent of maternal deaths in Texas occur between 43 days and one year after pregnancy.



**50**%

"Over half of births in Texas are Medicaid births already" - Rep Howard

## Young Invincibles recommends legislators vote in favor of HB 12

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## Higher Education

Invest in data infrastructure, state postsecondary finance, and student support systems that promote degree completion and economic stability for young people

1

Address the growing mental health care crisis on college campuses by:

- creating a Texas Healthy Minds Campus Checklist designation and
- bolstering evidence-based solutions and statewide innovation.

2

Drive decisions toward college affordability, including

- increasing investment in community colleges across the state and
- supporting students' non-tuition costs through benefit navigation systems

3

Increase support for parenting students and students experiencing homelessness through data collection and campus liaisons



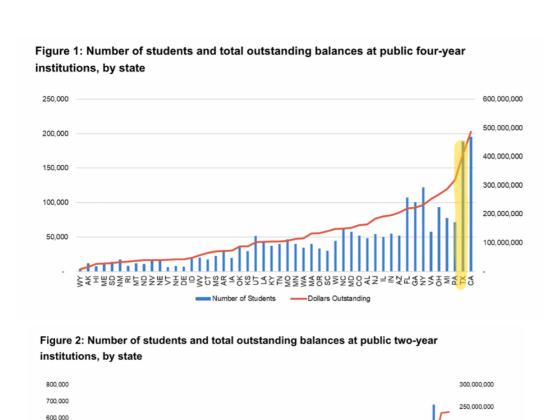
## **Transcript Withholding**

### HB 306 by Representative Diego Bernal

400,000

200.000

When schools withhold academic transcripts from current and former students who have an unpaid balances as low as \$25 as collateral, the school is engaging in "transcript withholding". Lawmakers can help remove this barrier by eliminating stringent transcript withholding for students. HB 306 would allow students to request their transcript, so long as they meet certain requirements, including a good faith effort to fulfill their financial obligation.



15

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150,000,000

50,000,000

### 6.6 million

It is estimated 6.6 million students in the U.S. have credits they cannot access because their former institution is holding their transcript to provide leverage in collecting unpaid balances.

### How does transcript withholding impact students?

- Transcript withholding impacts student graduation and success rates by making it harder for students to re-enroll and/or transfer to more affordable schools, which can contribute to the dropout rate.
- It decreases the likelihood of students being able to pay off their student debts by undermining their ability to get jobs with employers that require education verification.
- This practice also hurts our economy and workforce by keeping young adults in a vicious cycle that inhibits them from moving forward and gaining financial security.

### Young Invincibles recommends legislators vote in favor of HB 306

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### **Healthy Minds Campus**

### HB 3690 by Representative Jolanda Jones

Poor mental health can have a negative impact on degree completion which, given the importance of higher education in today's workforce, can threaten the economic standing of young Texans. Disparities in the ways in which students access services can exacerbate these challenges and increase the prevalence of mental health issues at institutions of higher education. HB 3690 can help increase access to mental healthcare for students by strengthening guidance to decrease stigma and improve awareness of available care.



## 64% of drop outs due to mental illness

According to the National Alliance on Mental Illness, college students report higher cases of dropping out because of mental illness. Of those 64% that dropped out, 45% did not seek help on campus before dropping out.

### Lawmakers Can Help Strengthen On-Campus Services By Implementing the Texas Healthy Minds Checklist

- While the TX legislature has done a terrific job in requiring institutions to provide information on mental health warning signs to students, more proactive efforts are needed to get information into the hands of students.
- This "Healthy Minds Checklist" will be a set of best practices. By implementing
  programs that meet the checklist requirements, schools will provide a wide range
  of support services for students and earn a "Healthy Minds" designation.
- Disparities in Access: In Texas, both TACC and HSI have 26.5% and 30% rate of not having mental health clinics within their institution types, respectively

### What does the Healthy Minds Campus Program Include?

In order to receive a "Healthy Minds Campus" designation, colleges and universities must agree to implement programs or initiatives in the areas of awareness, access, and prevention. The Healthy Minds Campus would be a designation that institutions of higher education can apply to receive if:

- They have a staff member designated as a mental health liaison
- They identify students in need of prevention programs and tele-health services
- Determine appropriate evidence-based mental health trainings for faculty and staff
- They gather and report data to encourage information sharing across higher education institutions
- · Assist in coordinating mental health awareness events on campus
- Provide peer support programs
- Collaborate with local mental health service providers



## Young Invincibles recommends legislators vote in favor of HB 3690

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## **Student Parent Supports**

### SB 597 by Senator Sarah Eckhardt HB 1361 by Representative Penny Morales Shaw

Parenting students are an important student community, making up one 1 of every 5 students nationally, and an estimated 1 in 4 Texas students (based on YI's analysis of NCES data). It is also estimated that most parenting students leave school for preventable reasons – lack of child care, inability to rebound from costly emergencies, and family financial responsibilities. SB 597 would designate a liaison to provide student parents, with children under the age of 18, information regarding support services and other resources available to the students at the institution. This is one step in helping to ensure parenting students have access to the supports they need to successfully complete their education and can provide for their families.

2/3

of student parents surveyed in Texas reported missing school due to child care reasons. 1 out 4

students in Texas students are estimated to be parenting students 1/3

of student parents attain a degree or certificate within 6 years of enrollment.

## When student parents complete their degree, individual and societal economic benefits abound.

- Single mothers with an associate degree gain roughly \$153,000 more in lifetime earnings; single mothers with a bachelor's degree gain \$296,000 more in earnings.
- Total lifetime tax contributions for just one class of single mother graduates amounts to \$7.8 billion.
- Fewer student parent alumni are using public benefits than when they were in school.4 Single mother graduates save society a total of \$309 million in public benefits spending over the four years following graduation.

## Awareness and Support Increase the success of parenting students

- Students who use on-campus childcare are 3x more likely to graduate.
- 56% of student parents indicate that a staff person available to address student parent needs or to provide related support was one of the most helpful services.4
   56% of student parents indicate that learning about resources on campus was one of the most helpful services.4
- At the University of Minnesota- Twin Cities, where there is a student parent center, the graduation rate of student parents is 70%.
- Student parents surveyed identify a lack of recognition and support specific to their needs on their college and university campuses and would like to see their universities and service providers offer more information on resources available to parents.

## Young Invincibles recommends legislators vote in favor of SB 597 & HB 1361



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## Workforce Development

Expand apprenticeships and work-based learning opportunities with a commitment to increasing access for women and parents.

1

Ensure that young voices are at the table in key decisions with the Texas Commission on Community College Finance, career pathways, and work- based learning state policy planning.

2

Pursue state-level outreach initiatives that will ensure women and mothers learn about available programs and are equipped with resources to complete them.

3

Explore innovations in micro credentials and buildable credentials, to create opportunities for immediate skillbuilding alongside degree completion and career planning.

4

Increase gender and racial equity in STEM, health care, and high paying in-demand apprenticeship programs.

5

Increase access to child care, especially for parents working early morning and overnight hours, and sustainably expand the child care workforce.



### BEFORE THE MEETING

Be sure that you are thoroughly prepared to meet with the legislator. But, what does this look like? Here are three things you should make sure to do before every meeting:

### HAVE A CLEAR UNDERSTANDING OF THE BILL/BILLS YOU'RE ADVOCATING FOR

Research the bill: Know the bull number and title. Note: If it is a House Bill (HB), you are speaking with a representative. If it is a Senate Bill (SB), you are speaking with a Senator

#### KNOW YOUR AUDIENCE

You should first <u>identify your state senator or representatives</u>. From there, you can identify the members of the committee that will be hearing your bill. For example, if your bill is related to higher education, be sure you know the members of the Higher Education Committee in the House and the members of the Education Committee in the Senate.

#### **ASSIGN YOUR ROLES**

A massive open online course is an online course aimed at unlimited participation and open access via the Web. In addition to traditional course materials, such as filmed lectures, readings.

<u>Facilitator</u> – manage the course of the meeting, deliver the core message, make a hard ask. This person helps keep the meeting moving along.

<u>Storytellers</u> – EVERYONE can provide personal stories.

<u>Note-take</u>r – one person should thoroughly document the meeting, especially the commitments of the person you're meeting with. Be sure to take down any follow-up requests.

Thoroughly preparing before your Lege meeting will ensure that you will both know who you will be speaking with and also how you can connect this bill with the representative or senator.

### DURING THE MEETING

There will be 3-5 people at your meeting (enough to fill the 3 roles facilitator, storyteller, and notetaker). It can be difficult to manage large groups in smaller legislator offices, so we aim for no more than 5 people per meeting.

#### PLAN WHAT YOU ARE GOING TO SAY

Be kind and respectful to legislative staff. Legislators have very busy schedules and may send a legislative staff member to represent them at the meeting. Be as polite to staffers as you would be to lawmakers.

### INTRODUCE YOURSELF AND THE MEMBERS OF YOUR GROUP, INCLUDING WHERE YOU ARE FROM.

The <u>facilitator</u> then continues by stating the purpose of today's meeting: you are here with Young Invincibles for **YI's 2023 Advocacy Day: Deep In the Heart of Advocacy.** 

The facilitator will then introduce **the bill/issue for the meeting**. When introducing the bill, remember to state:

- The bill number,
- The name of the bill,
- The author, and
- What the bill consists of

Afterwards, the facilitator will introduce the <u>storyteller</u>, who will illustrate the impacts of proposed legislation on your community. This is the most important tool you can use to show the impact of legislation on constituents. The facilitator will complete the meeting by making the specific ask. The note takers job throughout all of this is to take notes. These notes could include: contact information, questions to follow up on, anything that would be useful to look back on.

Disclaimer: If you end up speaking on any issues or bills that are not a part of YI's Advocacy Day, please make sure to distinguish this with whomever you are speaking with.

### AFTER THE MEETING

Congratulations! You have taken a big step in becoming a changemaker for your community. While the hard part is done, there is some post-meeting etiquette to consider:

- Thank the legislator and/or their staffer for their time
- Leave a copy of the Young Invincibles one-pager(s) for your lawmaker to reference.
- If they asked a question that you do not know the answer to, it is encouraged that
  you let them know you will get back to them and the answer to the question in your
  follow up email.

NOTE: YI will schedule the morning meetings (from 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM between you and key legislators within our policy issues. Legislators and their staff run on tight schedules, so scheduling an appointment is the best way to ensure that a staffer or the representative is available to meet with you. After Advocacy Day, we highly recommend scheduling your own meetings with your representative, either in-person or virtual, but feel free to drop in during the 2:15 PM - 3:00 PM window!



### **TIPS**

#### **KEEP IT SIMPLE**

Remember your mission and don't get sidetracked. Address one issue at a time. Watch for jargon. Use repetition

#### BE CLEAR

Tell the legislator specifically what you want. Write for the ears, not the eyes

#### ITS NOT PERSONAL UNLESS YOU MAKE IT SO

Use a real life story if at all possible.: Facts and figures help but a personalized story is more effective. Also, it may be possible that you're testifying for an issue that YOU do not have a personal story for; that is okay as we can provide real life stories from our network for you.

#### STICK WITH WHAT YOU KNOW

Brainstorm with others to identify possible difficult questions and how to answer them to be prepared for any questions that may follow. If its a technical answer you don't know, say that you would happily defer to any lawyers testifying or could follow up with the answer. Otherwise, it would likely be questions directed at your personal experience. However, also practice saying, "I don't know, but I will get back with you."

#### STUDY, STUDY, STUDY

While you do not need to be an expert in the bill you are testifying about, you should not go in completely unprepared, know your bill as well as you can and be confident in the knowledge that you have.

APPENDIX

FAQs

## FAQ's

### Who is Young Invincibles?

Young Invincibles is a national non-profit, non-partisan, organization committed to elevating the voices of young people in the political process and expanding economic opportunity for young adults ages 18-34.

### What is Young Adult Power?

Young Adult Power is within you! Lasting social change is created by empowering local young adult leaders with deep community ties who can drive the work. By providing young people with tools and practice to better use their voices and skills, we create a ripple effect of young adult leaders addressing systemic barriers.

### What should I bring?

We recommend that attendees pack as light as possible in order to be able to carry their belongings with them throughout the day. Please note that when entering the Texas Capitol building, everyone will be required to go through a metal detector.

### What transportation options are available?

Young Invincibles will provide roundtrip bus transportation for attendees from Houston and East Texas.

### Is parking available?

We recommend parking in the Capitol Visitors Parking Garage (1201 San Jacinto Blvd, Austin, TX 78701). It is one block East of the Texas Capitol. The Capitol Visitors Garage will cost \$12 for the entire day. YI will not cover the cost of parking.



#### What should I wear?

Advocacy Day is a long day and we will be in the Texas heat! Please dress comfortably, but keep in mind that the Capitol is a place of business. We recommend relaxed business casual smart casual attire. Furthermore, there will be a lot of walking both within and outside of the Capitol, so please wear shoes you don't mind walking in for the day.

### Is there training available?

Yes, there will be a training on Wednesday March 29th on Zoom from 6-8pm to give you all the information you will need to know for Advocacy Day. We will also provide training on how to conduct meetings with your representatives.

### Will meals be provided?

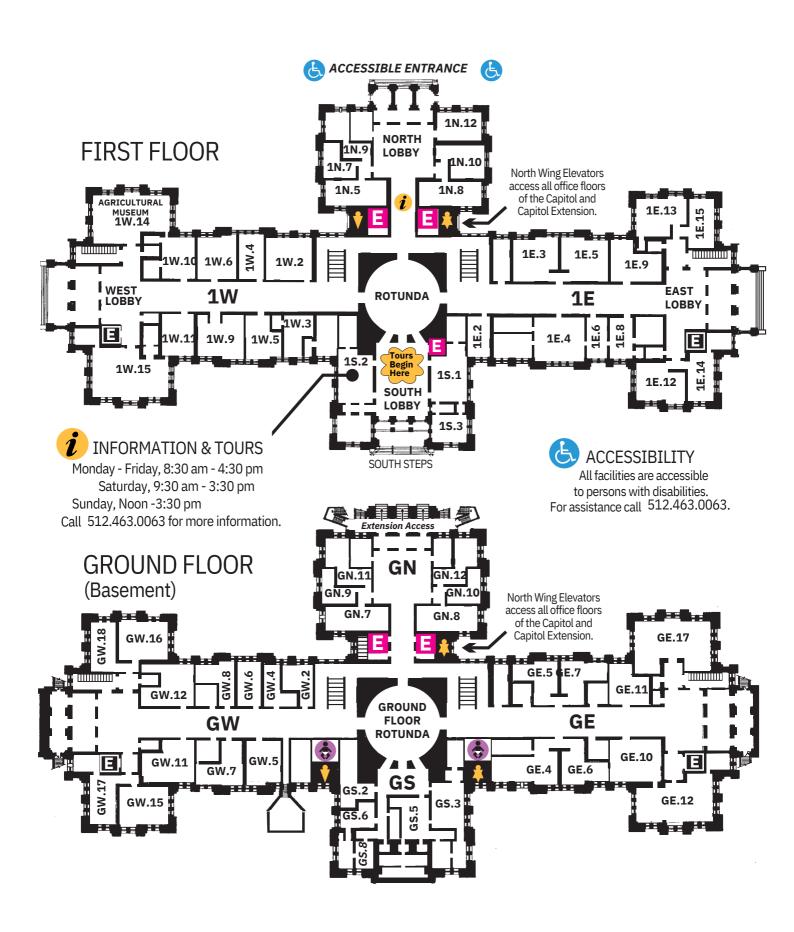
Meals will be provided for all attendees. If you need any dietary restrictions, please reach out as soon as possible.

#### Are there accommodations available?

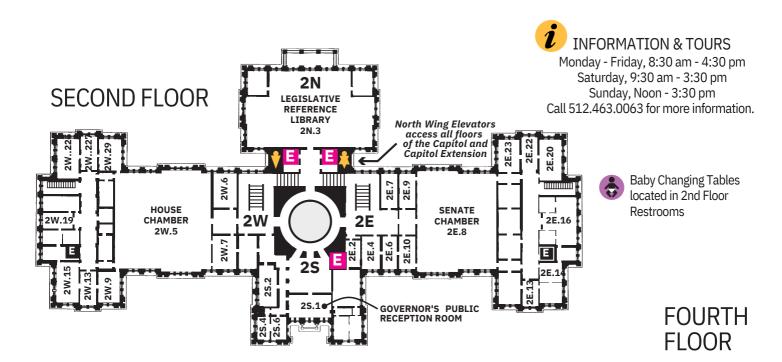
We are providing bus transportation and food the day-of. We are also providing accommodations for folks who have specific hearing or translations needs. If you have a question about accommodations, please reach out via email to texas.advocate@younginvincibles.org with the Subject: 2023 Advocacy Day: Accommodations! There is space to ask for accommodations on the registration page.

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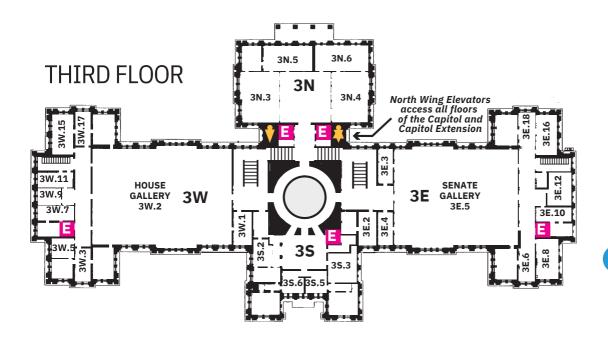
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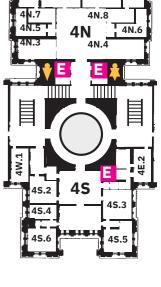


CAPITOL BUILDING GUIDE FLOORS 1 & GROUND



Capitol Extension Access: Take the North Wing elevators to Floor E1 or E2 of the underground Capitol Extension. Please visit the Capitol Giftshop on Floor E1 for Texas and Capitol mementos and books, as well as mints, medicines and other sundries. Also located on level E1 are a public cafeteria, an Automatic Teller Machine (ATM). and vending machines.





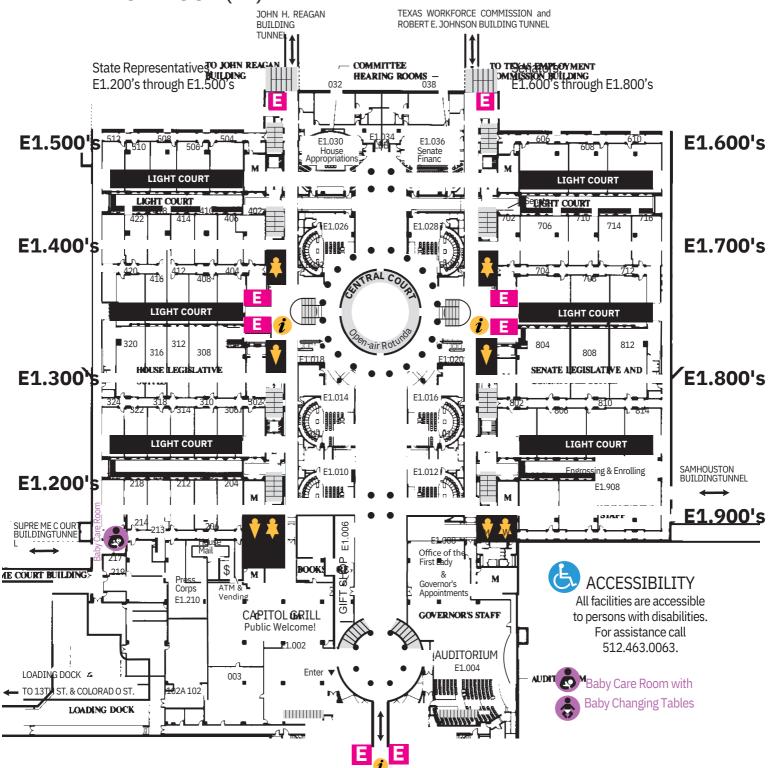
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ACCESSIBILITY
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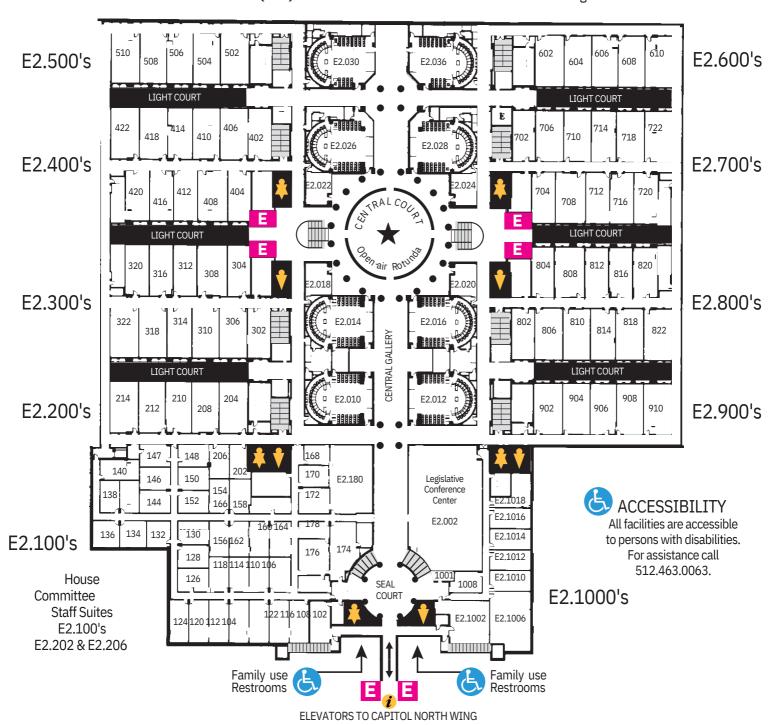


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GOVERN	OR	SECURITY / EME	ERGENCY
Public Reception Room Press Conference Business Office Legislative Division	Capitol 2S. Capitol 1 Capitol 2S. Capitol 2 1S.	Capitol Fire Marshal Capitol Health Services Department of Public Safety, Capitol Division	Extension E1.213 Extension E1.214 Capitol 1S.4
	SECRETAR	RY OF STATE	
Secretary of State	Capitol 1E.8		
	SE	NATE	
Senate Chamber Senate Gallery Lieutenant Governor Secretary of the Senate	Capitol 2E.8 Capitol 3E.5 Capitol 2E.13 Capitol 2E.22	Senate Sergeant at Arms Lt. Gov.'s Reception Room Ramsey Reception Room Betty King Committee Room	Capitol 2E.1 Capitol 0 Capitol 2E.1 Capitol 6 2E.1 4
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Sen. Alvarado, Carol Sen. Bettencourt, Paul Sen. Birdwell, Brian Sen. Blanco, César Sen. Campbell, Donna Sen. Creighton, Brandon Sen. Eckhardt, Sarah Sen. Flores, Pete Sen. Gutierrez, Roland Sen. Hall, Bob Sen. Hancock, Kelly Sen. Hinojosa, Juan "Chuy" Sen. Huffman, Joan Sen. Hughes, Bryan Sen. Johnson, Nathan Sen. King, Phil	Capitol 1E.9 Capitol 3E.16 Capitol 1E.3 Capitol GE.7 Capitol 3E.18 Extension E1.606 Extension E1.804 Extension E1.808 Capitol 3S.3 Capitol 4E.2 Capitol 1E.12 Capitol 3E.6 Capitol 3E.6 Capitol 3E.8 Capitol 3E.8 Capitol 3E.10 Capitol GE.5	Sen. Kolkhorst, Lois W. Sen. LaMantia, Morgan Sen. Menéndez, José Sen. Middleton, Mayes Sen. Miles, Borris L. Sen. Nichols, Robert Sen. Parker, Tan Sen. Paxton, Angela Sen. Perry, Charles Sen. Schwertner, Charles Sen. Sparks, Kevin Sen. Springer, Drew Sen. West, Royce Sen. Whitmire, John Sen. Zaffirini, Judith	Capitol GE. P Extension E1.712 Extension E1.610 Extension 1.708 Capitol 3E.12 Extension E1.704 Extension 1.608 Capitol 3E.2 Extension E1.806 Capitol 3S.5 Extension E1.810 Extension E1.706 Capitol 1E.5 Capitol 1E.13 Capitol 1E.14
	HOUSE OF RE	PRESENTATIVES	
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Rep. Bell, Jr., Cecil	Extension E2.708	Rep. Hefner, ColeExtensionE2.718
Rep. Bell, Keith	Extension E2.410	Rep. Hernandez, AnaCapitol1W.11
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Rep. Bryant, John	Capitol 4N.6	Rep. Hull, LaceyExtensionE1.322
Rep. Buckley, Brad	Extension E1.324	Rep. Hunter, ToddCapitol1W.5
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