

# Indivisible Tucson Announcements

## Oct. 19, 2025

### OUTLINE:

1. No Kings 2 Wrap-up and What's Next Mass Call
2. State Newsletter Number 5
3. Boycott and Build
4. Links etc.

### 1. No Kings 2 Wrap-up and "What's Next?" Mass Call

**Tucson** totals (numbers of demonstrators) look like 10,000 right now (three sites). Still a bit of refining happening as I write this.

**Arizona:** 100,267 Arizonans showed up yesterday to declare NO KINGS! (An increase of 20% over June.) Protests at 71 sites!

Arizona Daily Star had a photo gallery:

[https://tucson.com/news/collection\\_531ec064-6eed-4fed-ab33-aa21bebe508e.html](https://tucson.com/news/collection_531ec064-6eed-4fed-ab33-aa21bebe508e.html)

#### **Photos: 'No Kings' protests draw large crowds across Tucson**

Grace Trejo Oct 19, 2025

*Thousands of Tucsonans marched Downtown and lined the streets of Speedway Boulevard in midtown for the "No Kings" national day of protest on Saturday.*

[Unfortunately this is behind a paywall and the Daily Star doesn't do gift links.]

Coverage from KVOA:

#### **Thousands of Southern Arizonans attend 'No Kings Day' rallies**

[https://www.kvoa.com/news/top-stories/thousands-of-southern-arizonans-attend-no-kings-day-rallies/article\\_d14fa144-a0ff-4285-905f-012598d44f03.html](https://www.kvoa.com/news/top-stories/thousands-of-southern-arizonans-attend-no-kings-day-rallies/article_d14fa144-a0ff-4285-905f-012598d44f03.html)

Coverage from KGUN9

### Protestors march across Tucson for No Kings protests

<https://www.kgun9.com/news/community-inspired-journalism/midtown-news/protesters-march-across-tucson-for-no-kings-day-protests>

Coverage from KOLD

### Thousands join “No Kings” protests throughout southern Arizona

By Payton May

Large crowds gathered at Tucson City Hall and along Speedway Blvd to protest the Trump administration and his attacks on free speech.

<https://www.kold.com/2025/10/19/thousands-join-no-kings-protests-throughout-southern-arizona/>

Here's a map of the state with photos from all over the state:



## **National: from an email from National Indivisible:**

*[The text and images below are from Indivisible National!]*

Yesterday, **over seven million Americans** joined the largest single-day protest against tyranny in our nation's history.

In 2,700 small towns and big cities, on street corners in the heart of so-called "Trump country," on overpasses and in historic plazas, people rose up in defense of their neighbors, their rights, and their democracy.



[\(Check out our Instagram for way more photos & video from all 50 states\)](#)

It was joyful. It was peaceful. And it was patriotic. The Trump regime tried to paint No Kings Day as a “hate America” protest, but what we saw on display was the best of what this country is meant to be -- a nation that refuses to succumb to intimidation, a people that fiercely defends our freedoms and says in one voice, across generations, religions, races, gender identities, and nations of origin: We are all Americans, and we will not bow to kings.

Despite the threats and virulently un-American attempts to chill speech in the days leading up to Saturday, our numbers only grew. Two million MORE people hit the streets than in June. In Platte City, Missouri, No Kings exploded from 20 protesters four months ago to 550 yesterday. Stories like that poured in from every corner of the country.

Our pro-democracy movement is surging. Now it's up to each of us to channel this incredible energy into the organizing power it will take to win.

Join us on Tuesday night at 8pm ET/5pm PT for a mass call of movement leaders and activists to discuss what's next.

### **Mass Call: What's Next After No Kings?**

Tue. Oct. 21, 5-6pm MST

<https://www.mobilize.us/nokings/event/858246/>

*No Kings will be massive, powerful, and meaningful - but it won't be the end of our work. Join movement leaders and fellow local activists after the big day to come together, celebrate what we accomplished, and learn about what's next.*



Protests serve many purposes -- they change the narrative, they grow our movement, they show people reeling under the weight of the regime's atrocities that they are not alone.

But a single day of protest -- even the largest single-day protest we've seen in our lifetimes -- will not overcome the fascist onslaught we face.

It's going to take ongoing, strategic organizing -- exactly the kind of organizing Indivisible was created to foster -- to deliver us from tyranny.

That's what Tuesday's mass all is going to be about. You won't want to miss it.

In solidarity,  
Indivisible Team

## 2. State Newsletter Number 5

In the latest State newsletter you will find detailed Questions and Answers from two of our state legislature members, **Senator Priya Sundareshan** (D) – LD 18, and **Representative Nancy Gutierrez** (D)—LD 18. Please avail yourselves of this valuable resource, which you can access from our website, or in the attached pdf: [ITAA-State-Team-5th-Newsletter-2025-10-15-v2.pdf](#)

State Action page on the ITAA website: <https://www.indivisibletucson.org/state-action.html>

## 3. Boycott and Build Oct. 19, 2025

MESSAGE FROM THE BOYCOTT AND BUILD TEAM

Please join us for the next Boycott and Build Team meeting. We meet on Zoom the 2nd Wednesday and 4th Monday each month at 6:30pm. Our next meeting is **Monday, October 27th at 6:30pm**. Email Lisa at [lisahappy@proton.me](mailto:lisahappy@proton.me) to be added to the Boycott and Build e-mail list and receive meeting information. Please check out our new [About and Mission page](#) to learn more about our work. We have added a useful video about the importance of pressuring the "pillars of support" of authoritarian regimes.

## **MUSIC TO OUR BOYCOTT AND BUILD TEAM'S EARS**

Did you catch Indivisible Co-Founder Ezra Levin's powerful speech at the Washington D.C. No Kings rally? He went after the billionaire oligarchs who are supporting the Trump regime. In addition to Spotify (which we mention below and you should be boycotting) he mentioned a number of other business and tech giants who are capitulating or outright supporting Trump. Levin said of Jeff Bezos that "*he took a respected pro democracy institution that had the slogan **Democracy Dies in Darkness** and turned the slogan into corruption, capitulation, cowardice, shame.*" He asked the audience, "Are you on the side of the MAGA forces, the Nazis, the billionaires? Hell no!" And then asked businesses, churches, universities which side they were on and let them know that we the people, this movement, we are "braver than the billionaires."

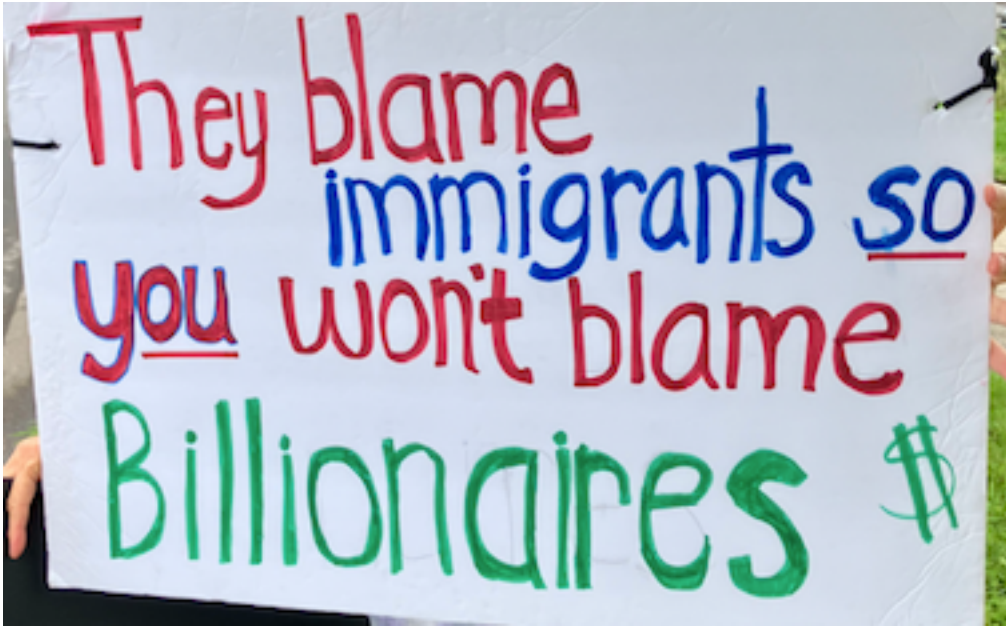
The past several weeks both Ezra and Leah have been talking on their [What's the Plan? calls](#) about the importance after No Kings of focusing on how to use our collective economic power to take a stand and pressure the "pillars of support" of the Trump regime. We are hopeful that his powerful calling out today of a number of billionaires who have capitulated is the start of something bigger. So stay tuned and keep voting with your dollars every single day!

[Heather Cox Richardson writes in her letter today](#) "*The No Kings demonstrations... demonstrate that the administration's claims to popularity are a lie. Such a high turnout means businesses and institutions that thought they must cater to the administration to appeal to a majority of Americans will be forced to recalculate.*" We can continue to show how much power we do have by continuing to boycott businesses to let them know if they cater to Trump, we abandon them. When we consistently pressure these "pillars of support" we force them to answer the question Ezra asked above? Do you stand with "we the people" or do you continue to bend the knee to a would-be king. When we hit their bottom line we force them to recalculate as Heather says.

**LET'S STAND UP FOR IMMIGRANTS AND SHOW SPOTIFY WHAT WE ARE MADE OF**

Spotify, the largest streaming music service in the world, has been in hot water with both musicians and listeners over numerous issues the past couple of years. Today at the D.C. No Kings rally, Ezra Levin called out Spotify CEO Daniel Ek for robbing musicians and running ICE recruitment ads. Running ICE recruitment add on top the many existing controversies has new calls for boycotts happening. Multiple musicians have pulled their music from this site over the past months, hopefully others will now follow. These ICE ads aren't your basic recruitment ad any normal company might run, these are ads that demonize immigrants, all paid for by our tax-payer dollars. It is long past time to stop feeding Daniel Ek's bank account. Please, take a moment right now to cancel Spotify and delete the app from every device you own. If we all pull together we can have the same impact we had on Disney/ABC. Then ask all your friends and family to do the same.

If we want to protect our immigrant neighbors we need to start making sure the billionaires who happily give a platform to DHS's demonizing rhetoric suffer the financial consequences of their choices. We could write a whole newsletter on why you should permanently boycott Spotify. Please just trust us on this one and do it. Rid yourself of Spotify once and for all. Looking for free music? How about trying the Hoopla app to check out and stream music from the library. And if you are feeling generous make a donation to help support the library.



*Message from No Kings2 yesterday*

### ***Don't BuyIt* CAMPAIGN INFO PASSED OUT AT NO KINGS**

2000+ information cards were passed out No Kings events (1800 in Tucson) and others elsewhere in the country to spread the word about our upcoming Don't BuyIt campaign that starts November 1st. Please check out our [draft campaign landing page and toolkit](#) to learn more. Join our group to help us create content for this campaign so we can continue to build on and move our mission forward. Please help us make this campaign a success by spreading the word!

### **BOYCOTT AND BUILD TEAM MEMBERS SHARE THEIR INSIGHTS**

Each week we ask our team to help us find businesses we think might be helpful for the ITAA membership to know about. We encourage you to help build a stronger democracy, but building a stronger local economy and community. We must break the grip of monopolistic billionaire owned businesses and to do that we must stop feeding their bottom lines with our dollars. Thanks to Maureen for sharing her appreciation for **Stacks Book Club + Coffee Bar in Oro Valley** (with a second location coming in 2026: you can read more about that [here](#)).

*"We do not get many rainy days in Tucson, but as I sat at home enjoying another day of rain on October 13th, I thought of curling up with a cup of tea and a good*

book. Don't we all? And that image made me think of heading over to [Stacks Book Club: Book Store and Cafe in Oro Valley](#) to get a brand new book to read while sipping a cup of their delicious tea.

*I have been a fan of Stacks since it first opened two years ago. Have you been there? If not, you are missing a unique locally-owned business in Tucson. The books, of all genres, are beautifully shelved along the walls leaving plenty of space for tables, chairs and sofas. The shop is colorfully decorated with jewelry for sale by local artists in addition to Stacks' own merchandise. The small cafe offers a variety of coffees, teas, lattes, and pastries, as well as wine and beer.*

*The arrangement of furniture in the shop encourages quiet get-togethers, just two at a table or small groups at the sofas and upholstered chairs. One day when I was visiting, I saw a group of parents with their babies enjoying reading and chatting in the back of the shop near the children's section while other readers sat alone or in smaller groups in the front of the store. In addition, the owners offer a regular schedule of discussions of books for adults, young adult readers, and children.*

*The staff is very knowledgeable about current titles (actually, books in general) and if they do not have what you are looking for, they will order it for you.*

*In addition, Stacks will be opening a second location at Broadway and County Club after the New Year.*

*With Stacks we can add to our community of readers and support a local business."*

1880 E Tangerine Road, Suite 140,  
Market Place Center, Oro Valley  
[info@stacksbookclub.com](mailto:info@stacksbookclub.com)

**Maureen Carmen, Boycott and Build Team member and LD17 member**

## 4. Links and Humor

### ICE

ICE Detention Marana

Marana Community Correctional Treatment Facility

12610 W Silverbell Rd, Marana, AZ 85653

**IN DEPTH: The future of the Marana prison; town hall scheduled for next week**

<https://www.kgun9.com/news/community-inspired-journalism/marana/in-depth-the-future-of-the-marana-prison-town-hall-scheduled-for-next-week>

MARANA, Ariz. (KGUN) — The possibility of an Immigration and Customs Enforcement detention center in Marana has sparked a town hall scheduled for next week.

The town hall will take place on Thursday, October 23, from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Coyote Trail Elementary School. It will be moderated by Supervisor Allen.

Panelists will include representatives from the ACLU of Arizona, Florence Immigrant and Refugee Rights Project and Just Communities Arizona. The Town of Marana is unaffiliated with the event.

**As tensions rise in Chicago, volunteers patrol neighborhoods to oppose ICE and help migrants escape**

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<https://www.npr.org/2025/10/17/nx-s1-5575533/chicago-patrol-neighborhoods-ice-and-help-migrants-escape>

**How a Trump Judge Exposed the Trump Con**

<https://www.nytimes.com/2025/10/12/opinion/trump-judge-immigration-portland-national-guard.html>

**We Found That More Than 170 U.S. Citizens Have Been Held by Immigration Agents. They've Been Kicked, Dragged and Detained for Days.**

<https://www.propublica.org/article/immigration-dhs-american-citizens-arrested-detained-against-will>

**I'm a U.S. citizen who was wrongly arrested and held by ICE. Here's why you could be next**

<https://www.sfchronicle.com/opinion/openforum/article/ice-racial-profiling-21045429.php>

## **RESISTANCE**

**University of Virginia Won't Join White House's Compact for Colleges**

*It was the fifth school in a matter of days to refuse an offer of preferential funding treatment from the government, even as the White House has threatened schools that do not sign up.*

<https://www.nytimes.com/2025/10/17/us/university-of-virginia-white-house-compact.html>

**Combatting targeted harassment of faculty**

<https://www.aaup.org/issues-higher-education/political-attacks-higher-ed/targeted-harassment-faculty>

**How can blue states fight back against Trump? With fiscal disobedience**

*By holding back federal tax revenues, Democratic governors can turn a one-sided assault into a constitutional showdown*

<https://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2025/oct/19/blue-states-fight-back-against-trump>

**US airports refuse to air Kristi Noem video blaming Democrats for shutdown**

*Airports in Phoenix, Las Vegas, Seattle and elsewhere cite laws barring partisan political content at TSA checkpoints*

<https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2025/oct/14/airports-kristi-noem-video-government-shutdown>

**Journalists turn in access badges, exit Pentagon rather than agree to new reporting rules**

[https://apnews.com/article/pentagon-press-access-hegseth-trump-restrictions-5d9c2a63e4e03b91fc1546bb09ffbf12?utm\\_source=firefox-newtab-en-us](https://apnews.com/article/pentagon-press-access-hegseth-trump-restrictions-5d9c2a63e4e03b91fc1546bb09ffbf12?utm_source=firefox-newtab-en-us)

## COMMENTARY AND ANALYSIS

### **How America Pulled Itself Back From the Brink of Fascism**

How to Save the American Experiment

By John Fabian Witt

Mr. Witt is the author of “The Radical Fund: How a Band of Visionaries and a Million Dollars Upended America.”

<https://www.nytimes.com/2025/10/06/opinion/politics/how-to-save-the-american-experiment.html>

### **Teapot Dome. Watergate. They’re Nothing Compared to This.**

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<https://www.nytimes.com/2025/10/17/opinion/world-liberty-financial-crypto-trump.html>

While campaigning, Mr. Trump announced his cryptocurrency venture World Liberty Financial, and, just days before his inauguration, his namesake memecoin. Anyone can indirectly deliver money to a Trump family entity simply by buying World Liberty’s tokens. Mr. Trump and his family have accrued billions of dollars in paper wealth through crypto ventures owned by the president, his sons and family friends.

With World Liberty, Trump has created a powerful vehicle for those seeking influence. Anyone — you, me, an Emirati prince — can put money in his pocket by simply buying the tokens the company issues. The key is the convenience factor. For influence peddlers, bags of cash and Swiss bank accounts have been replaced by crypto tokens that can be quickly shuttled between digital wallets and cryptocurrency exchanges. Savvier crypto users — nation-states, hacker groups, money launderers — can use digital “mixers” and other tools to obfuscate their trail.

It’s precisely these conveniences that have also made crypto a favored tool of criminal organizations and sanctions evaders.

We’ve never seen anything like this before. You can tick off notorious executive branch scandals — President Ulysses S. Grant’s rogues’ gallery of corrupt advisers, Teapot Dome’s bribes for oil leases in the Harding administration,

Watergate and the downfall of Richard Nixon — but none of them featured this scale of mixing of personal and government interests, much less the sheer accumulation of profit, of Mr. Trump's multibillion-dollar crypto windfall.

### **Where Trump Is Vulnerable and How to Act on It**

<https://www.nytimes.com/2025/10/08/opinion/trump-universities-compact-civil-society.html>

The greatest weapon that the forces of regime change possess is the fear of inevitability. If everyone believes that Mr. Trump will succeed in reshaping America, he will.

The best defense against this weapon is solidarity among groups who disagree ferociously on many questions, but who agree on the need to keep America democratic and rebuild institutions and social connections to make democracy more robust. As the political scientist Adam Przeworski points out, Polish pro-democracy forces won only when they agreed to leave aside their bitter divisions over abortion until after they had succeeded.

### **This Is What Autocrats Dread**

How to Beat an Autocrat at the Ballot Box

<https://www.nytimes.com/2025/10/02/opinion/poland-election-autocrat-russia-hungary.html>

## **OTHER TOPICS**

### **Microsoft blocks Israel's use of its technology in mass surveillance of Palestinians**

*Exclusive: Tech firm ends military unit's access to AI and data services after Guardian reveals secret spy project*

<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2025/sep/25/microsoft-blocks-israels-use-of-its-technology-in-mass-surveillance-of-palestinians>

### **Where do babies come from? Robert F Kennedy Jr doesn't seem to know**

*Science tells us that fetuses develop in the uterus, rather than the placenta – but the US health secretary has a different take. Why are Republicans so clueless*

*about women's bodies?*

<https://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2025/oct/15/where-do-babies-come-from-robert-f-kennedy-jr-doesnt-seem-to-know>

### **Think About Buying a Burner Phone When You Get Your Holiday Tickets This Year**

*International travelers should consider getting a burner phone to avoid border agents snooping on their private data.*

<https://www.cnet.com/tech/mobile/think-about-buying-a-burner-phone-when-you-get-your-holiday-tickets-this-year/>

Monitoring Abortion Pills in Wastewater

### **The E.P.A. Followed Up on an Unusual Request About Abortion Pills**

*Scientists at the Environmental Protection Agency found that they could develop methods to identify traces of the medication if necessary — a practice long sought by the anti-abortion movement.*

<https://www.nytimes.com/2025/10/10/us/politics/epa-abortion-wastewater.html>

### **Arizona sheriff's office misused millions set aside to remedy racial profiling**

*Report reveals Maricopa county spent huge sums on items not connected to court-ordered overhaul of agency*

<https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2025/oct/09/arizona-sheriffs-office-maricopa-county>

### **Why Indivisible Houston is Non-Partisan**

<https://www.indivisiblehouston.org/post/why-indivisible-houston-is-nonpartisan>

### **An artillery shell fired during 250th anniversary celebration of the Marine Corps at Camp Pendleton on Saturday detonated prematurely over Interstate 5, damaging a California Highway Patrol vehicle on JD Vance's security detail**

*Artillery Shell Detonated Over Interstate 5 During Marines' Celebration, California Officials Say*

*The mishap, during an anniversary celebration for the Marine Corps attended by the vice president and defense secretary, underscores safety concerns that Gov.*

Gavin Newsom voiced before Saturday's event at Camp Pendleton.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2025/10/19/us/politics/shell-interstate-5-marines-california.html>



**HUMOR**





The Tennessee Holler 

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ICYMI: "And now, a response from the leader of the frog resistance..."   #Colbert



October 14, 2025 at 7:20 AM  Everybody can reply

Link to "Inflatable Frogs Versus

ICE": <https://bsky.app/profile/thetnholler.bsky.social/post/3m35wff3tz22l>

Thank you everyone for all of your hard work making No Kings 2 a smashing success!!!

-- Margrit of ITAA

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