

# Indivisible Tucson Announcements

## Nov. 16, 2025

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### 1. State Action Team notices

Our State Action Team is preparing to bring you a new newsletter this coming week, as well as a call to action -- look for them. Many if not most of the issues affecting our day to day lives are decided at the State level. Do you care about water use? State issue. Arizona public schools and universities? State issue. Redistricting, voter rights, election administration? All run by the State. And our Team needs your input and your help! So mark your calendars for the morning of **Saturday, December 13, (9:30 am – 11 am)**, when the State Action Team will be holding an in-person planning meeting to outline Team priorities and specific actions for 2026. If you are interested in attending, please email either Joe Alexander ([joseph.k.alexander@hotmail.com](mailto:joseph.k.alexander@hotmail.com)) or Marlene Gibbons ([marlenegibbons93@gmail.com](mailto:marlenegibbons93@gmail.com)).

### 2. Primaries - from Indivisible National

### **It's time to turn the page on failed Democratic leadership.**

"We're launching the largest Democratic primary program in Indivisible's history. This country needs Democrats to fight like an actual opposition party to an authoritarian regime. If a Democratic candidate isn't willing to leave it all on the field, it's time for them to get out of the way or be pushed out of the way. If a Democratic candidate is flirting with the forces that elevated Trump and help him consolidate power, they have no place in the future of this party."

### **The Indivisible base is ready to fight for the Democratic Party we deserve.**

"Right now, we're talking with our grassroots network to understand where they want to see this fight go. Indivisible groups are the leaders of this movement, and they are not backing down. Decisions on primaries will be guided by them. Victories over the status quo will be powered by them. And our new leaders will be accountable to them. "

Learn more: <https://www.indivisible2026.org/>

## **3. Boycott and Build**

### **MESSAGE FROM THE BOYCOTT AND BUILD TEAM**

Want to help others learn about the importance of using our collective economic power to save our democracy? Come check out the work the Boycott and Build Team does. Every dollar you spend and invest is a vote. See our web pages on ITAA's website to learn more: <https://www.indivisibleucson.org/boycott-and-build.html>. Email us at [boycottbuildteam@proton.me](mailto:boycottbuildteam@proton.me) if you are interested in joining our team or learning more.

### **OUR TEAM IS VERY BUSY THIS MONTH WORKING ON DON'T BUYIT**

If you are not yet subscribed to the [Don't BuyIt Substack](#) please help support the work of the Boycott and Build Team by heading over to our Substack page and subscribing. We've put a lot of work into writing content that we hope you will take some time to read and share. Don't delay sign up today: <https://dontbuyittucson.substack.com/>

## JOIN US FOR A SHOP-IN AT MIDTOWN VEGAN DELI

We are planning our first official "shop-in" at Midtown Vegan Deli the week of the 23rd. Want to join us? E-mail us at [boycottbuildteam@proton.me](mailto:boycottbuildteam@proton.me) for information. Space will be limited so we want to get a good idea of how many plan to attend.

## THE LURE OF BLACK FRIDAY SALES ARE STARTING EARLY. DON'T TAKE THE BAIT!

The national campaign, [\*We Ain't Buying It\*](#), asks us to do the following:

- **Full Black Out:** Don't buy anything from Target, Amazon or Home Depot stores. Use the time and money to connect with those you love, and rediscover what matters.
- **Redirect Spending:** Skip the companies undermining democracy. Shop small, local, or with businesses affirming our humanity.
- **Join the Movement:** Pledge to be a conscious consumer

Check them out and help spread the word: <https://weaintbuyingit.com/>

## BOYCOTT AND BUILD TEAM MEMBERS SHARE THEIR INSIGHTS

We have great content on our Substack page to inspire and inform about using holiday season spending (or not) to support democracy. Please head over to our Substack page to see what our team has shared this week. We cover a range of topics including the inspiring story of a new platform to shop progressive businesses, the down sides of participating in Jim Click's Millions for Tucson, how AI is convincing you to buy stuff you probably don't need, why our fearless attorney general Kris Mayes has sued Amazon, and how to stop drowning in stuff. Did you know there are **over 2 billion square feet of rentable self-storage in 50,000+ self-storage locations** across the country! To put that into perspective, that is more than the number of U.S. locations of Starbucks, McDonald's, Dunkin' Donuts, Pizza Hut and Wendy's combined. That's a fact you'll hear more about over on Substack.

Hope to see you over there. Please help build the community by commenting and sharing.

<https://dontbuyittucson.substack.com/>

## **Changing our Behavior**

And one of our team members has a message she'd like to share to help inspire all of you:

*"We at Boycott and Build are seeking you, our wonderful ITAA team, to make informed choices around where to shop and when. It isn't always easy to change up our ways of doing things and it often needs to come in small steps. On the rare occasion (Disney ousting Jimmy Kimmel) our actions are most powerful when done all at once. Using our collective economic power is where we are hoping to make the biggest positive impact with the least undesirable consequences to people.*

*We are now encouraging support of those businesses willing to publicly say they are in sync with 'no kings'. You probably know at least one with a sign in their window like Midtown Vegan Deli, Penzeys Spices, REI and others. The on-going boycotting of Target and Amazon needn't be total, all or nothing. These shifts to new places of doing business mean reorganizing our habits which may be entrenched, even part of family or cultural lore. Lots of credit is due for small, deliberate and persistent change leading to new behaviors. We celebrate every gain in uncoupling from the oligarchs!*

*When looking at my own 'change' behavior I noticed first the desire to make a change in what I did with food waste that used to go down the drain with a disposer. I made several unsuccessful attempts at composting but was not regular enough about it to make it part of a new habit. Then I tried burying it in a hole in my very small yard which didn't last long. (no surprise!) I checked in with myself again to see if the desire was still there and it was. I attended a City of Tucson Food Cycle training for an hour one Saturday and received info on how the city could be helpful by having collection bins for food scraps and then delivering the completed compost soil to various pick-up points. I am now an accomplished composter in a way I never imagined! It didn't happen overnight and I needed help along the way. This success is having me feel more empowered to give up decades of using only one main store for my groceries and to seek out more farmers' markets and*

*smaller, non-corporate affiliated stores.*

*We appreciate all your efforts and want you to think about how even small actions can lead to larger effects."*

***Barbara Rose G, Boycott and Build Team Member***

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#### **4. PRESSURE CISCOMANI TEAM MESSAGE 11/16/2025**

##### **OUR MISSION**

The Pressure Ciscomani Team is holding Rep Ciscomani accountable to the voters of Southern Arizona's 6th Congressional District. We believe he should understand how his congressional votes impact his district and that he should be responsive and truthful to us instead of blindly following the President's political agenda. Since it appears he cannot or will not do his job, we are working to replace him in 2026!

Our team is 60 members strong and welcomes your participation!

If you want to help, contact:

Ken Minkoff at [kminkov@aol.com](mailto:kminkov@aol.com).

*All you need is willingness to act. We will help you find the right actions to take!*

**CHECK OUR GROWING WEBSITE AT [HTTPS://JUANLIES.COM](https://juanlies.com)**

Please share the link everywhere you can so we can disseminate the truth about Juan.

Check on our BEAUTIFUL webpage (THANKS TO KASIA WILCZEK) at <https://www.indivisibletucson.org/ciscomani.html>

(Click on "[elected officials](#)" on the ITAA webpage to see what's going on.)

**AMPLIFY OUR POSTS**

Our **Facebook** page: Hold Ciscomani

Accountable. <https://www.facebook.com/HoldCiscomaniAccountable>.

Our **Instagram** page: <https://www.instagram.com/HoldCiscomaniAccountable>.

Our NEW **Blue Sky** page: <https://bsky.app/profile/pressure-ciscomani.bsky.social>

Our AZ CD-06 **Substack** Page: @cd6pressureciscomaniteamofITAA

<https://cd6pressureciscomaniteamofitaa.substack.com/>

## **ACTIONS FOR THIS WEEK**

### HOLD CISCOMANI ACCOUNTABLE IN 3 WAYS

**A. HEALTH CARE:** KEEP THE PRESSURE ON CISCOMANI ABOUT HIS RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE DAMAGE HIS VOTES HAVE DONE: Ciscomani continues to act like he has no responsibility for the increases in healthcare costs via the Medicaid cuts, cuts to ACA health insurance premium subsidies, and changes to Medicare in AZ via the WISER program that are so devastating.

The following site from the Kaiser Family Foundation illustrates how much additional payment for health insurance can be expected for folks using the ACA Exchange, based on location and income. CHECK IT OUT AND SHARE

<https://www.kff.org/interactive/how-much-more-would-people-pay-in-premiums-if-the-acas-enhanced-subsidies-expired/>

But health care cuts are not just affecting Medicaid and ACA premium subsidies. They are affecting Medicare as well. WE WANT EVERYONE TO BE AWARE OF THIS IMPENDING CRISIS, AND TO ADVOCATE TO STOP IT

WISER PROGRAM IS UNWISE FOR SENIORS ON MEDICARE – Thanks to Katherine Hess for this information:

### *NEWEST THREAT TO MEDICARE DUE TO CISCOMANI'S VOTES*

*Juan Ciscomani is responsible for stripping healthcare from half a million*

*Arizonans with cuts to Medicare and Medicaid, astronomical increases in premiums, and expiration of tax credits for people with plans through the Affordable Care Act doubling or tripling their premiums. Now there is a new government program which will deny more healthcare to thousands of his constituents as well as thousands of others across the state of AZ. The program is called The WISeR Pilot Program, a direct attack on seniors who have Traditional Medicare, Parts A & B, and usually with a secondary (Medigap) plan. The program is set to begin on 1/1/26.*

*Six states: Arizona, Washington, Texas, Oklahoma, New Jersey and Ohio will be subject to this pilot program for the next six years. WISeR is an attempt to privatize Traditional Medicare.*

*The WISeR Pilot Program, a direct attack on Traditional Medicare, seeks to model itself after Medicare Advantage plans. It will use private companies employing AI to apply predictive analytics to make determinations about the medical necessity of procedures. Traditional Medicare rarely requires any prior authorization, and when it does, it's not AI or a private for-profit employee that decides. It's a physician, (part of a non-profit public entity) whose pay isn't based on the number of denials they make.*

*A list of 18 senators sent an objection letter in September to Mehmet Oz and Abe Sutton at CMS. Representative Mark Pocan (WI) has introduced HR 704, currently still in committee, calling for the termination of WISeR. The House Appropriations Committee advanced a 2026 spending bill with an amendment blocking funding for the WISeR Program. The AMA and other groups have opposed it. We must stop WISeR before it's forced onto all Medicare recipients.*

#### **ACTIONS:**

1. Pressure Ciscomani to support HR 704
2. Contact Senators Kelly and Gallego to continue to pressure CMS and to propose legislation in the Senate analogous to HR 704

See contact info below.

## **B. RELEASE THE EPSTEIN FILES**

Silent Juan continues to be silent about the Epstein Files. Will he vote to recommend release of the files when the Discharge Petition forces a vote? Or will he continue to hold the 100% MAGA Line?

**#JuanWatch**

## **Why does Rep Ciscomani want to hide the truth about Epstein and Trump?**



**Silent Juan:**



**Epstein and Trump**

- Presents himself as a solid family man, yet is **silent about investigating child predators**
- Dodged the issue by voting against releasing the Epstein files

**Call Juan and tell him to make sure  
ALL of the Epstein Files are Released!**

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## **ACTIONS TO TAKE THIS WEEK**

Please amplify and share our posts...

Gallego and Kelly: Keep Fighting to Restore Medicaid and Health Insurance Premium Subsidies Please advocate to stop the WiSER program that attempts to privatize Medicare and cut benefits for Arizonans.

Contact GALLEGO: 202 225 4065; 480 697 3600; 520 777 0400

Contact KELLY: 202 224 2235; 602 671 7901; 520 475 5177

Contact Ciscomani as Well: <https://Ciscomani.house.gov>

We know he is getting nervous that he is on the wrong side of the issues as far as his constituents are concerned.

**CISCOMANI: DON'T BE TRUMP'S PUPPET!!! (See attached flyer)**

**REP CISCOMANI:  
DON'T BE TRUMP'S PUPPET!**

**Stop voting 100% MAGA  
No More Pointless Photo-ops  
Stand up for your Constituents**

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**Tell him: Stand up for your constituents.** Don't be silent. Advocate for restoring health care cuts, and releasing the Epstein Files. We don't want any more of your photo-ops. We don't want you to be a 100% pro Trump vote: We want to see you represent what your constituents need.

**C. Weekly Saturday (9-11am) Demonstrations at Ciscomani's Office on Swan Rd.** Our team will be tabling regularly at these protests and would love you to come and say hello. Bring your stories of how health care cuts are causing pain for you and your loved ones. Here is a form you can fill out to share your story....

Getting these stories is a big focus of Battleground Alliance, Economic Security Project, and Represent.US. Here is a form that they have distributed for collecting those stories: [ESPA Healthcare](#)

**D. Stay tuned for future announcements about our demonstrations.** We are planning to take our show on the road, by having rotating "Juan Lies" demonstrations at key intersections in the district!

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## 5. Links, articles, humor

### **A Christian Answer to Trump and Trumpism Is Finally Here**

GIFT LINK

[https://www.nytimes.com/2025/11/16/opinion/trump-pope-leo-maga-christianity.html?unlocked\\_article\\_code=1.108.GKJX.2ypmjAsLpcq5&smid=url-share](https://www.nytimes.com/2025/11/16/opinion/trump-pope-leo-maga-christianity.html?unlocked_article_code=1.108.GKJX.2ypmjAsLpcq5&smid=url-share)

### **Epstein Survivors Release Public Service Announcement:**

<https://bsky.app/profile/aaronparnas.bsky.social/post/3m5rv7unchs2g>  
<https://www.worldwithoutexploitation.org/>

## **New Epstein emails claim Trump ‘spent hours’ with victim**

By Julie K. Brown and Claire Healy

GIFT LINK:

<https://www.miamiherald.com/news/politics-government/article312885568.html?giftCode=619840004548a3e913d37e4abe0cd856061ef59e078557e058181847dd0525f7>

*[NOTE: It is because of the uncompromising journalism of **Julie Brown of the Miami Herald** that we know about Epstein at all. . . especially the "sweetheart" deal he got initially.]*

## **Judge denies New Jersey Rep. McIver’s request to dismiss Trump administration charges**

<https://apnews.com/article/lamonica-mciver-new-jersey-immigration-newark-d681f7b3f76b235b24c785b3ab485b30>

New Jersey Representative LaMonica McIver was targeted for doing her job — conducting legislative oversight at an ICE facility in her district. These politically motivated charges were designed to chill dissent and intimidate lawmakers from carrying out their constitutional duty to hold the executive branch accountable.

Legal defense fund (ActBlue)

<https://secure.actblue.com/donate/lm-july-2025-indictment>

## **Charlotte grocery store offers free delivery to protect immigrant community**

<https://www.charlotteobserver.com/charlottefive/c5-food-drink/article312932630.html>

## **Priest arrested a Broadview ICE facility near Chicago**

<https://bsky.app/profile/revdrmichaelwoolf.bsky.social/post/3m5nj6o5lrs2t>

## **‘MigraWatch’ trainings to ‘Whistlemania’ events: Chicagoans fight back against ICE raids**

*Residents are organizing in response to raids across the city amid Trump’s wide-ranging ‘operation midway blitz’*

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<https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2025/nov/13/chicago-fight-ice-raids>

**HUMOR**

# WARNING



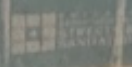
## TARGET: ICE

COMMUNITY FEEDBACK:

WRITE A MESSAGE HERE FOR THOSE DHS RATS!

*Eat Shit & Die! ☺*

WE NEED YOUR HELP TO ELIMINATE  
THE ICE PROBLEM IN THIS AREA.







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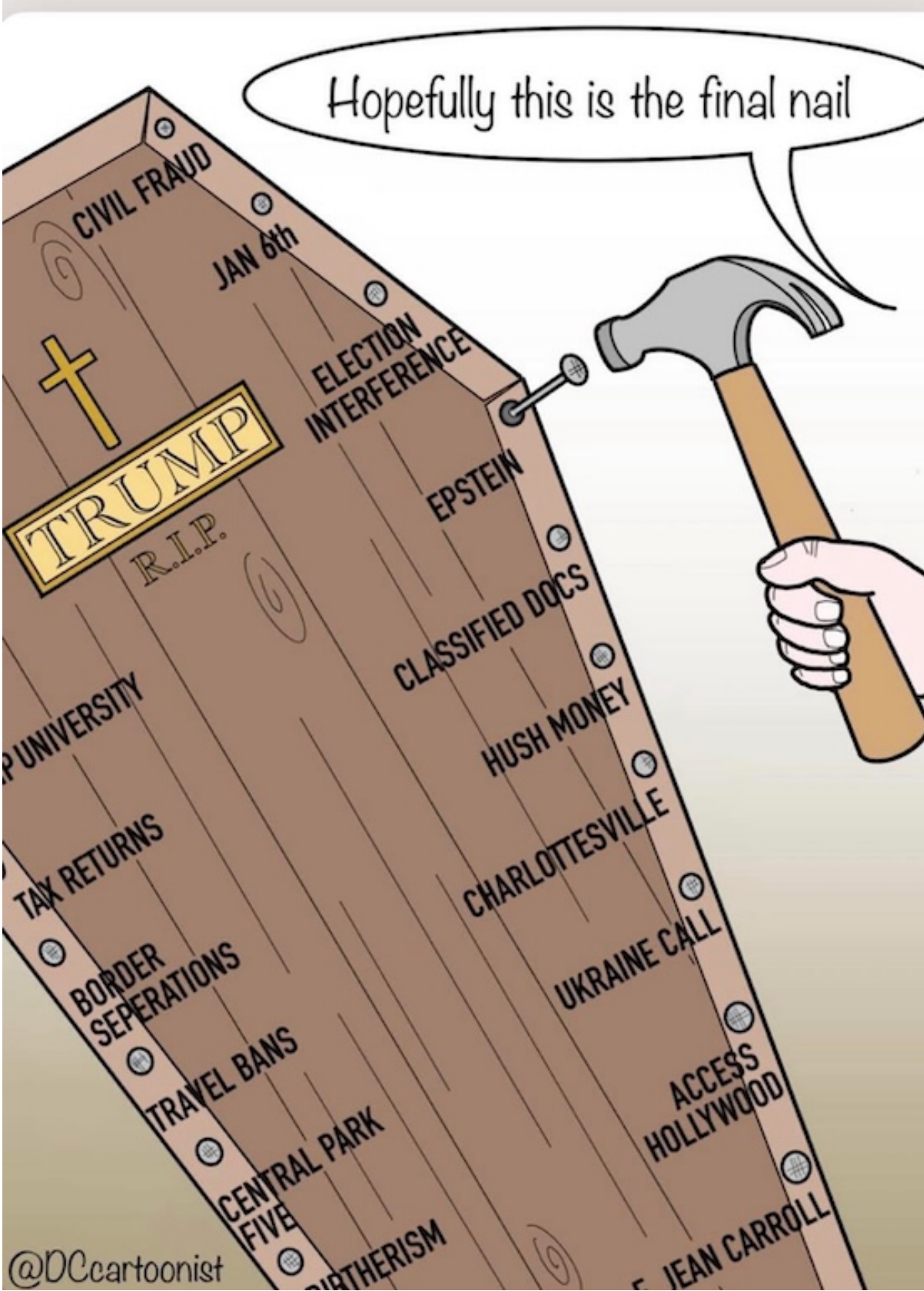
**Gavin Newsom passed the Montreal Cognitive Assessment today by reciting "Person. Woman. Man. Camera. TV. Where. Are. The. Epstein. Files." and said doctors have never seen anything like it.**

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Hopefully this is the final nail

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ELECTION INTERFERENCE  
EPSTEIN  
CLASSIFIED DOCS  
HUSH MONEY  
CHARLOTTESVILLE  
UKRAINE CALL  
ACCESS HOLLYWOOD  
JEAN CARROLL  
FATHERISM  
CENTRAL PARK  
FIVE  
TRAVEL BANS  
BORDER SEPERATIONS  
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TRUMP R.I.P.

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**Don't forget to visit "Take Action  
Tucson" <https://www.takeactiontucson.org/> for all upcoming events!**

Thanks everyone!!!

-- Margrit of ITAA

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