On November 8, 2016, reality TV star turned politician Donald J. Trump was elected President of the United States. His victory immediately turned the tide of progress made in racial equity, gender justice, and LGBTQ rights—and at its intersection, the sexual and reproductive health and rights of young people was gravely impacted. This timeline explores key dates since Trump's first year in office and underscores how the Trump administration has harmed young people and their sexual and reproductive freedoms.

### January 20, 2017

Trump is inaugurated as President of the United States.

### January 2017

- Trump expands the global gag rule, prohibiting access to health services, including abortion and maternal care (studies show this can lead to 2.5 million unintended pregnancies and 870,000 unsafe abortions).
- Rooted in racism and anti-Muslim rhetoric, Trump impeded the U.S. entry of Muslims by implementing his first of three executive orders barring people in Iran, Libya, Somalia, Syria, Yemen, Chad, North Korea, and Venezuela (Iraq and Sudan were removed from later versions) from entering the country.

### July 2017

- HHS slashed $213.6 million in federal grants to 81 organizations across the country working on evidence-based approaches to decrease teen pregnancy rates. HHS only offered a vague claim that there was “weak evidence of the positive impact” of these programs. False!
- Secretary of Education Betsy DeVos rescinded needed guidance and created an entirely unfair and unequal “interim guidance” on campus sexual misconduct, making lives a little easier for those who sexually assault women and LGBTQ people.

### September 2017

- After Hurricane Maria made landfall in Puerto Rico, Trump offered minimal assistance to help with efforts. More than one month after the devastation occurred, less than 15 percent of the island had electricity service. And nearly a third of the island didn’t have any running water, and some still do not. Trump offered that FEMA can’t be in Puerto Rico “forever.”
- Trump rescinded the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program, impacting more than 800,000 young people who are now subject to deportation. The full implementation of the rescission was delayed six months to give Congress time to decide how to deal with the population that was previously eligible under the policy.

### September 2017

- Trump decided to allow virtually any employer to claim a religious or moral objection to the Affordable Care Act’s birth control coverage mandate under a sweeping rollback, impacting marginalized young people all across the country.
- Trump urged sweeping protections for so-called religious freedom, which has been used as a license to discriminate. In Masterpiece Cakeshop, for example, a gay couple could be discriminated against by shop owners who don’t want to provide legal services to same gender loving weddings.

### October 2017

- Trump’s State of the Union address made clear that he envisions a world where young people are never centered. His administration does not support DACA or Dreamers; has placed attackers over assault survivors; prohibits access to sexual and reproductive health services; and believes sweeping religious beliefs are paramount to an individual’s constitutional protections.

### December 2017

- Scott Lloyd, Director of Office of Refugee Resettlement, per a new Trump policy, stopped Jane Doe (and other young immigrant people) from obtaining an abortion. Federal courts disagreed with him, and these young women were allowed to end their pregnancies.

**But rest assured, young people are moving this country forward and won't allow this administration to hold them back in fighting for progress.**