

Resources for – OSSD Conference 2019 Promoting Democracy Through Civic & Political Reference Services

Tactics

Becoming a Citizen Activist Licata. Sasquatch Books.2016

Community Tool Box <http://ctb.ku.edu/en>

All, but, especially, Conducting a Direct Action Campaign <https://ctb.ku.edu/en/table-of-contents/advocacy/direct-action>

How A Grassroots Effort In Vancouver Fought Big Oil — And Won. Mary Solomon. Feb 15, 2018

https://www.opb.org/news/article/vancouver-washington-oil-terminal-grassroots-community-oil-companies/?utm_source=Sightline+Insitutue&utm_medium=?utm_source=Sightline+Insitutue&utm_medium=

New Rules for Radicals: 10 Ways to Spark Change in a Post-Occupy World. Robinson. Feb 1, 2012. Useful as general advice for any serious social change endeavor. <http://www.truth-out.org/opinion/item/6482:new-rules-for-radicals-ten-ways-to-spark-change-in-a-postoccupy-world>

198 Methods of Nonviolent Action Albert Einstein Inst. <http://www.aeinstein.org/nonviolentaction/198-methods-of-nonviolent-action/>

28th Amendment to Restore the American Promise [The first part discusses how many amendments were passed in the 20th Century and that this action should not be seen as unreasonable (for whatever reason)].

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K6iqolnTvqA>

Lobbying Advice / Communication with Legislators

Georgia House Minority Leader, Representative Stacey Abrams, on Effective Advocacy. 2011.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r1-np2iYxOY>

“Making a Difference” A Citizen’s Guide on How to Testify. Video from Oregon State Legislature. This video is good instruction for testifying at any government hearing, although some will be less formal than this.

https://www.oregonlegislature.gov/citizen_engagement/Pages/How-to-Testify.aspx

Ten Principles of Lobbying. City of Portland. Although this is a city document, most of it applies to the state legislature.

<https://www.portlandoregon.gov/oni/article/338655>

Tips for Communicating with Legislators. City of Portland but applies to legislature.

<https://www.portlandoregon.gov/oni/article/555173>

How to Effectively Lobby Your Congressperson. Ellsworth. Nov. 15, 2016.

<http://theslot.jezebel.com/how-to-effectively-lobby-your-congressperson-1788958124>

How to Make Your Congressman Listen to You. Tongco. Nov. 13, 2016. This continues Ellsworth’s advice.

<https://www.teenvogue.com/story/how-to-petition-lawmakers-state-local-congressional-staffer-advice>

How to Most Effectively Contact Your Representative. Kal. Daily Kos. Nov. 14, 2016

<http://www.dailykos.com/story/2007/11/14/410611/->

What Calling Congress Achieves. Schulz. New Yorker. March 6, 2017

<http://www.newyorker.com/magazine/2017/03/06/what-calling-congress-achieves>

Building Relationships with Legislators. American Hospital Association. Lobbying Congress.

<http://cqrcengage.com/catholichealth/file/kEm7p7cW6Dh/Building%20Relationships%20with%20Legislators.pdf>

Government - Federal

Congress.gov Find and track bills, legislators, committees <https://www.congress.gov/>

Govtrack Find and track bills, legislators, committees <https://www.govtrack.us/>

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The Legislative Process. Videos of 9 areas of how Congress works. "Overview" gives a nice, well, overview!

<https://www.congress.gov/legislative-process>

USA.gov Basic citizen-oriented federal government site <https://www.usa.gov/>

LLSDC Legislative Sourcebook [Law Librarians' Society of Washington, DC]. Research guides

<http://www.llsdc.org/sourcebook>

Government – State

Oregon State Legislature Main Page <https://www.oregonlegislature.gov/>

Oregon State Legislature Citizen Engagement Page. https://www.oregonlegislature.gov/citizen_engagement

Open States. [Non-governmental source] Because of its graphical nature, a nice way to get a quick snapshot of the state's legislature by chamber, including recently introduced legislation. <https://openstates.org/>

State Legislative Database

Oregon – OLIS [Oregon Legislative Information System <https://olis.leg.state.or.us>

State Campaign Finance Database

Oregon <https://sos.oregon.gov/elections/Pages/campaignfinance.aspx>

State Codes and Administrative Rules

Oregon Revised Statutes https://www.oregonlegislature.gov/bills_laws/pages/ors.aspx

Oregon Administrative Rules https://sos.oregon.gov/archives/pages/oregon_administrative_rules.aspx

Initiative and Referenda

Oregon <https://sos.oregon.gov/elections/Pages/statelaw.aspx>

Running for Office / Women Running for Office

Center for American Women in Politics. <http://www.cawp.rutgers.edu/>

Women in Elective Office 2019. Fact Sheet. Center for American Women in Politics.

<http://www.cawp.rutgers.edu/women-elective-office-2019>

General Public Policy Guides

University of Oregon Policy Directory Find analysis and advocacy from all perspectives on Oregon public policy. [For Oregon government agencies, see the *Oregon Blue Book*.] <https://library.uoregon.edu/govdocs/opd.html>

University of Washington Public Policy Guide <https://guides.lib.uw.edu/research/polisci>

American Policy Directory Find analysis and advocacy from all perspectives on US national public policy.

<http://library.uoregon.edu/govdocs/apd.html>

Historical Perspective

The Woman Who Took on the Tycoon. King. Smithsonian. July 5, 2012. [About Ida Tarbell]

<http://www.smithsonianmag.com/history/the-woman-who-took-on-the-tycoon-651396/>

Book: The Woman Behind the New Deal: The Life of Frances Perkins, FDR's Secretary of Labor and His Moral Conscience Downey. 2009. [Excellent look into changes from early 1900's through WWII]

Jacob Riis: Revealing "How the Other Half Lives" co-presentation of the Library of Congress and the Museum of the City of New York. <https://www.loc.gov/exhibits/jacob-riis/riis-and-reform.html>

OLA Intellectual Freedom Committee

OLA Intellectual Freedom Toolkit <https://www.olaweb.org/if-toolkit>

IF news listserv <http://listsmart.osl.state.or.us/mailman/listinfo/ola-if-news>

Facebook page for IF-related updates <https://www.facebook.com/OregonReadsBannedBooks/>.