

Good morning!

Hope those of you who attended a March for Our Lives event were inspired. Seeing so many students and their supporters standing up for common sense gun control gives us hope for the future! If you are interested in learning what legislative steps we can take to further gun control please read on. There are actions to take as well as events to attend. Check out the picture at the end of email of the Chelmsford march. Congrats to those who helped organize that march!

Big news: Indivisible MA published their first statewide newsletter! For an abundance of actions and events, click [here](#).

Indivisible Acton Area news:

1. We are looking for someone who is familiar with Facebook to help Indivisible Acton Area in posting events and sharing events on Facebook. Please email Joris at joris_wils@yahoo.com or Nate Finch at nate.finch@gmail.com and cc Monica at monica_scalpato@hotmail.com if you can help out. Thanks!

2. As many of you know, the research team of IA has identified 10 out of state candidates to potentially endorse. Please be prepared to present your candidate (after research and vetting on your own) with a power point presentation at the general meeting on April 9th. If you would like to endorse your own candidate, please email Bob Bottino at rbottino@comcast.net with your candidate, rationale, and your questions. Here is a list of the candidates:

Federal Candidates

1. [Gina Ortiz Jones](#) TX-23
2. [Brendan Kelly](#) IL-12
3. [Anthony Brindisi](#) NY-22
4. [Chrissy Houlahan](#) PA-06
5. [Sean Casten](#) IL-06

State Legislature

1. [Jeanne Dietsch](#)
2. [Melanie Levesque](#)
3. [Dr. Linda F. Sanborn](#)
4. Two Sister District candidates (to be announced March 29th)

National Actions:

1. Support March for our Lives and end gun violence by calling your Senators through 5calls.org. (When you get to the screen, if you don't live in Acton, change the location in the upper left hand corner.)

2. U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and Customs and Border Protection (CBP) are conducting raids on Greyhound buses, [without warrants](#).

ACLU affiliates in ten states have penned [a letter](#) to Greyhound Lines, Inc., asking the company to change its policies, and prohibit warrantless searches, as is their right under the Fourth Amendment.

Let's join the ACLU and ask Greyhound president and CEO Dave Leach and Senior Legal Officer Tricia Martinez to change their policies. (Their addresses are in the letter).

3. Call your Senators now and ask them to vote NO on the [SENSE Act, HR1119](#), which acts as a [pollution waiver](#). Coal power plants would not have as many restrictions on hazardous emissions. See how your [House rep voted](#), and urge your senators to stop the SENSE Act in the Senate.

State Actions:

1. Check out Catherine Loeb's submissions to the statewide [Indivisible MA newsletter](#) for environmental actions.

2. Please sign on to this [letter](#) to support the Environmental Justice Act. When you click on the letter, you will be able to read more on the subject.

3. Contact your State Senator and ask them to contact the Senate Committee on Ways and Means (SWM) to [urge them to report S.2302, An Act to Promote a Clean Energy Future, out favorably](#). Be sure to urge your senator to tell SWM to include language from the gas leaks consumer protection bill ([S.1845](#)).

4. The State Senate energy committee has put out the most ambitious climate legislation. These five weeks are the time for weekly action to get in through the House and Senate Ways and Means: **call and email. Five minute instructions and script are [here](#).**

Weekly Events:

1. Monday, March 26th, 7-9, Acton Town Hall: Acton Warrant Meeting - come learn about the warrants that will be discussed at Acton's Town Meeting in April. Sponsored by the League of Women Voters.

2. Tuesday, March 27th, all day: Acton Town Elections. Please vote!

3. Tuesday, March 27th, 7-9pm, Starbucks in Acton: Meet-Up with Activist Alliance and Indivisible Acton and friends; come join us at Starbucks in Acton where we can resist

together. We will be writing postcards in support of Dr. Hiral Tipirneni of Arizona who needs our help to win the April 24th Special Election in a deep-red district.

4. Wednesday, March 28th, 4:30-6, Acton: In response to the recent mass shooting, South Acton Congregational Church will hold a Vigil Against Gun Violence from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Wednesday evenings throughout Lent. Participants will gather at the church at [35 School St.](#) at 4 p.m. to make signs, meet each other and then walk together to the protest locations, intersections that will be different every week. Protest location schedule: March 28 — School Street at Main Street.

5. Wednesday, March 28th, 7-9:30, Acton Town Hall: Gun Violence Prevention Forum: Join us for an important discussion about preventing gun violence. [Senator Jamie Eldridge](#) will moderate a panel of students, teachers, and experts. [Tami Gouveia](#) will discuss gun violence as a public health problem and strategies for taking action to get gun safety legislation passed at state and national levels. For more info, click [here](#).

6. Thursday, March 29th, 7:30-9pm, Newton Centre: Join us at a reception for Democrat Debbie Mucarsel-Powell, who is well positioned to flip Florida's 26th Congressional District. A \$50 contribution is all that's required to attend. Donate [here](#). Once you donate, you will receive the address for the event. Organized by Force Multiplier. Let's #FlipTheHouse!

Save the Dates:

Wednesday, April 4th, 10-2, Boston: Immigrants' Day at the State House - click [here](#) for more info

Thursday, April 5th, 7-9, Carlisle: Candidating Forums in Carlisle; event will feature Beej Das, Rufus Gifford, Juana Matias, Lori Trahan, Keith R. St. John; this event is FREE, but seating is limited so please register [here](#). Event takes place at the Carlisle School Community Room, Robbins Building.

Friday, April 6, 6-7pm, Acton Starbucks: #Follow Friday: Learn how to get on Twitter and how you can use it to help up your activism game. Maryellen Waters will train us on how to use Twitter. Folks should bring laptops/ipads/iphones. People should create an account before coming Friday, if possible.

Saturday, April 7th, 8:30am, online: Healey Signature Saturday and Zoom Call with Maura Healey. To get on the ballot, Healey needs 10,000 signatures. The signup to Zoom w/Maura and get the nomination papers mailed to you to collect signatures for her is [here](#). Join us on the Zoom with Maura just for Indivisible-MA folks and the limit is 100 people.

**Saturday, April 14th, 1-3, Christopher Columbus Park, Boston: March for Science
Boston 2018**

Thanks! Kristan

p.s. Here is the contact info for MOCs: [House Reps. Phone Numbers](#) and [Senators contact info](#)

p.p.s. Just a reminder that if you have an action item to include in the newsletter, please either go to the #ia_newsletter channel on Slack and write your action item, or send it to me via email at newsletter@indivisibleaction.org. The deadline to submit an action item is 8pm on Saturday if you would like the item to be in Monday's newsletter.



Chelmsford March for Our Lives