STORIES FOR SENATORS: HEALTHCARE

FIGHTING FOR GOOD, SHARING TO WIN

What is this project? Early in 2017, a small group of activists approached their Senator and asked "how can we help you win our fights for integrity, healthcare, equality and a healthy environment?" The answer was clear and emphatic: "Share your personal stories. Tell us how policy impacts your life. Your stories help us win."

Thus was born the STORIES FOR SENATORS project – a collaboration between people who care and their elected officials. It's a simple concept: a dropbox to which anyone can submit a document, but only six people can read them: two volunteer coordinators who organize the stories and up to four senate staff to help senators access them. For now, STORIES FOR SENATORS includes only Senators Feinstein and Harris.

Why should I submit **my** *story?* Personal stories matter. We know that data rarely changes minds, but personal stories change hearts. It is much more impactful to hear of one family's struggles to save a child's life than to read chapters of health care policy analyses. Senators use our stories in many ways: as inspiration for op-eds, in negotiations, in political advertisements, even on the Senate floor. Your story matters. Sharing your story helps us protect what matters to you.

SUBMIT YOUR STORY

So what do I do? Write up your story in your own words. You don't need a dropbox account or a special app. You can use any document format – pdf, Word, even pictures. Then click on the relevant link below and upload your story. That's it. The Senator's staff will have instant access. You may submit anonymously, or include your name and contact information in case staff has questions for you. The most effective stories illustrate how a particular policy or proposal impacts you, your family, your business or community. Click the button below to upload your story!

Healthcare Stories for Senators

Got more questions? We'll try to help. Storiesforsenators@gmail.com