



Resources on the Public Policy Tab

The following are resources that can be utilized and shared with a branch Public Policy Committee, and if applicable, the membership at large. The more we share advocacy efforts, the more our branches become involved in the Public Policy efforts.

AAUW of Michigan Website (Click on “Public Policy” in the top menu)

- I. **AAUW of Michigan Public Policy Principles 2025-2027**. (This document is updated every two years.)
- II. **AAUWMI Public Policy Director Ruth Brown**
 - a. Cell or text (517) 398-0116; travelgirl4@comcast.net
 - b. Please contact Ruth Brown for notifications of quarterly Zoom meetings with Public Policy Chairs in other AAUWMI branches
 - c. Ruth can assist you and your branch to engage in Public Policy work with a goal to keep members abreast of issues and actively work with your representatives to pass laws that will benefit women and girls.
- III. **Connect with State of Michigan Government**
 - a. [Michigan Citizen’s Guide to State Government](#) (Hint: ask your local representative or senator for a printed copy.)
 - b. [Michigan Legislative Website/Find Your Legislator](#). Access up to date legislation at this all-purpose legislative website that contains all bills, status of bills, committees, and much more.
 - c. [Michigan House Directory 2025-2026](#)
 - d. [Michigan Senate Directory 2025-2026](#)
 - e. [Tips on writing to Michigan State Legislators](#)
 - f. [Find Governor Gretchen Whitmer](#)
- IV. **Connect with US Legislators**
 - a. [Find Your US Representative](#)
 - b. [Find US Senator Elissa Slotkin](#)
 - c. [Find US Senator Gary Peters](#)

National AAUW (aauw.org) (Click on “Take Action” to find more info.)

- I. Our national organization monitors and recommends action on legislation contained in our bi-annual Public Policy Priorities. They have a plethora of information on these issues so local branches can guide their local priorities and become informed on issues that impact women and girls.
- II. **National AAUW 2025-2027 Public Policy Principles and Priorities**
- III. **Two-Minute Activist** (Urge PPC members and if possible, the membership at large, to

sign up (<https://www.aauw.org/act/two-minute-activist/>). This gives AAUW members a chance to “take action” by being alerted to national legislation.)

- IV. **AAUW Policy Center “Where We Stand”** (Researched and up-to-date information on the issues covered in the national AAUW Public Policy Priorities. Copy off the “Quick Facts” and provide them to the PPC members to help in establishing local priorities. Wonderful information to include in branch communications such as monthly newsletters or e-mails. This information is helpful in writing a letter to the editor or contacting a legislative representative.
- V. **Advocacy Toolkit** (A set of resources to guide you in advocating for women and girls through a variety of tactics and actions. Detailed information on topics such as:
 - a. How to Hold a Meeting with Your Elected Officials
 - b. How to Organize a Candidate Forum
 - c. How to Organize an Effective Petition Campaign
 - d. How to Work with the Media