



Activity: Share your Story

Objective: Write a letter or postcard to the policymaker you're targeting.

Leader Prep: Go online or to your local library to learn more about the history of children's letters or drawings shared with congress.

Supplies:

- Paper or postcards
 - Writing utensils
 - Stamps
 - Envelopes
 - A letter template (optional)
 - Proposal for new law
1. Gather the materials you created in Part 4 of the Advocacy Guide. In those materials, you'll recall some of the important points, statistics and facts that helped your movement gain momentum. These points will be valuable to share with your policymaker.
 2. Using a template is a great way to get thoughts on to paper, but other ways of creating a moving and meaningful letter might be sharing a personal story or a memory about your experience, or why you identified the issue and what it has to do with you.
 3. Remember to include a call to action in your letter or as part of your postcard. What do you want the policymaker to do? Would you like this person to sponsor a bill or pass a law or create a committee? Be very clear on exactly what your policymaker should do next.
 4. Letters or postcards can be mailed individually or in one envelope, depending on your resources and availability. Address them to the place the policymaker spends most of their work time.



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