



# *speaking out* against abuse of power

**ACLU** Illinois

The news has been filled with headline after headline on the efforts from the Trump Administration to use executive orders and unauthorized actions to interrupt and dismantle the basic structures and operations of our federal government.

We have put together talking points and ideas to help all of us feel empowered to speak up and speak out against these abuses of power.

## Make Your Voice Heard



Find our talking points and more resources at:  
[www.aclu-il.org/speakout](http://www.aclu-il.org/speakout)

**Have Conversations:** Use our talking points to engage in conversations with your friends, family, and community.

**Protest:** Plan or attend a protest on these important topics. When at a protest make sure you have our printable know your rights card with you, and bring one of our protest signs with you or make your own.

**Attend Public Townhalls and Community Meetings:** Show up to make sure your elected officials know the values of your community. Prepare your own remarks or questions, or stand in solidarity with those who do.

**Be a Voice in Your Community:** Put up signs in your local coffee shop, start a community group, hold an event, or write a letter to the editor in your local paper. For more ideas on how to activate your community, join our Community Activator Program.

**Take Action:** Find federal and state actions that you can take in our action centers, sign up to receive our action alerts, and follow us on social media for urgent updates.

**Support the Organizations in this Fight:** We will all need the resources to continue to fight. You can make a donation in support of the ACLU-IL, or find other ways to be involved. And, we encourage you to research local organizations in your area.