



## A Letter to the Next Generation: The Importance of RJ Advocacy

Are you a long-time advocate who wants to share their love, wisdom, and hope with the young people in their life? Your words carry the history of how far we've come, and the belief in how far we still can go. **Use this letter template as a starting point:** keep what feels true to your voice, add your own memories, and make this letter your own.

### Greeting

- *Dear [Name],*
- *To my daughter/niece/grandchild,*
- *To the future leaders of our movement,*

### Opening Statement

- I want to share something important with you. Not just because of the times we're living in, but because I love you and I care about your future.
- I know that conversations about reproductive rights and justice aren't always easy. But I believe they're necessary, and I trust you to carry them forward.

### Reflection

- When I was your age, I saw [share memory: protests, changes in laws, family conversations]. I recall the pride, fear, and determination that have shaped who I am today.
- I remember when *Roe v. Wade* was decided, and I remember when it was overturned. Both moments showed me how fragile our freedoms can be, and how hard we must fight to protect them.
- Our roots fuel our power. The lessons I learned then give me strength now—and I want you to carry that strength with you.

### The Urgency of Now:

- Right now, we are living through a turning point. Young people are inheriting a world where basic freedoms are under attack, from abortion bans to restrictions on gender-affirming care and policies that silence our communities.
- This is also a moment of possibility. Every action, every voice, and every story shared today helps decide what kind of future we will have tomorrow.
- The fight for justice has always been urgent, but it is more imperative than ever today.



### **Why URGE & Why You:**

- That's why I want you to know about URGE—Unite for Reproductive & Gender Equity. URGE is a home for young people of color, queer and trans youth, immigrants, and students. They are creating bold campaigns, changing policy, and transforming culture.
- Being part of URGE means you don't have to fight for change alone, because you'll have training, mentorship, and a movement that believes in your power.
- Your generation is not just the future. You are leaders right now, and URGE is here to back you.
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### **Encouragement & Passing the Torch:**

- The fight for reproductive justice is not new, but your generation is bringing new energy, new tools, and new visions. That gives me hope.
- Your voice matters. Your choices matter. You are powerful, and I believe in the change you will lead.

### **Invitation:**

- I don't have all the answers. I want to learn from you, too. Tell me how you see the future of justice. Share with me what you need, and how I can support you.
- Let's make this a conversation. The movement has always been built on listening, sharing, and standing together.

### **Closing:**

- I'm proud of you, and I'm here for you.
- With love, solidarity, and hope,
- Always fighting beside you,

### **Signature**

[Your Name]