

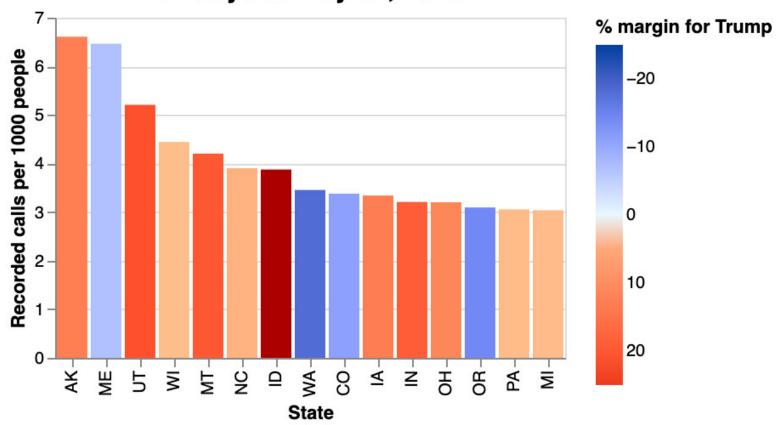
# THE RIPPLE EFFECT: TURNING LOCAL VOICES INTO NATIONAL IMPACT

### Movements don't start with millions. They start with one person willing to act.

## WHY NOW?

- MILLIONS at risk of losing coverage, EVERY community will be impacted
- Work requirements and budget cuts **ADVANCING** in Congress
- A crowded news cycle means FEWER people know what's coming
- There is still time to MAKE A DIFFERENCE

#### Calls per 1000 people via 5 Calls 31 days to May 31, 2025



#### WHY US?

#### WE ARE TRUSTED

Our network is rooted in care and community, not politics or profit.

#### WE SERVE ON THE FRONTLINES

We deliver housing, aging services, disability care, and mental health support across the country.

#### WE REINVEST IN PEOPLE

As nonprofit providers, every dollar goes back into care, staffing, and community impact.

#### WE'RE ALREADY DOING WHAT WORKS

Our members use Medicaid to drive smarter, more effective care models.

#### WE BRING MORAL CLARITY

In a time of confusion, our voice is grounded in service, truth, and shared values.

#### IT'S NOT MAGIC, IT'S MOMENTUM

#### THE LAW OF THE FEW

A small group of engaged people can ignite change: connectors, storytellers, and doers.

#### THE STICKINESS FACTOR

A message that's memorable, repeatable, and emotionally resonant spreads further.

#### THE POWER OF CONTEXT

Small shifts in timing, tone, or setting can dramatically amplify a message.

#### YOU DON'T NEED TO BE A POLICY EXPERT

- Personal stories = POWERFUL ADVOCACY
- Consistency, compassion, and CONFIDENCE are more important than expertise
- LOCAL IMPACT resonates more than statistics

#### WHO WE ARE SPEAKING TO THROUGH MEDIA

- Lawmakers and staff
- Community influencers
- Faith, nonprofit, and civic partners
- The general public
- Medicaid recipients

## THE UNIFYING MESSAGE

- Inspired by moral courage, rooted in truth
- Memorable, repeatable, and shareable
- Anchors all advocacy tools

# Here We Stand For People. For Care. For Medicaid.

#### What Tools Are Available to You

- Message Pillars & Talking Points
- FAQs & Reactive Q&A
- Op-Ed Templates
- Social Media Guide
- Legislative Meeting Guide
- Story Collection Questionnaire
- Holding Statements
- One-sheet Leave-Behind & Logo

#### THE KEY PIECE: STORYTELLING

#### **APPLYING TOOLS IN REAL LIFE**

- Going to a town hall? → Bring talking points & one-sheet
- Meeting a lawmaker? → Use a message pillar + real story
- Hear a false claim? → Respond with the Q&A
- Need content ideas? → Pull from the social toolkit

#### FACT + VALUE + STORY = IMPACT

- Facts make it credible
- Values make it resonate
- Stories make it unforgettable

#### WHAT YOU CAN DO IN 5, 10, 30, OR 60 MINUTES

- 5 mins: Share a post or comment online
- 10 mins: Email your lawmaker or create content on LinkedIn
- 30 mins: Write a letter to the editor
- 60 mins: Host a session, rehearse your story, or pitch media

#### **CALL TO ACTION: USE YOUR VOICE**

- If we don't speak, others will speak for us
- Choose one or two actions you'll take this month
- Every action adds up

#### **Thank You**

- Here We Stand: For people. For care. For Medicaid.
- Questions or follow-up?