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## WOMEN'S WAY joins #SaveThe600 Campaign

Due to the COVID-19 crisis, millions of Americans have been laid off or furloughed, leaving many families struggling to make ends meet during the global pandemic that has now stretched into July. Americans who have been laid off from their jobs because of the coronavirus pandemic have been able to collect an additional **\$600** a week in unemployment benefits on top of what they were already getting from their state.

This relief, however, is set to end on **July 31st** if this act is not extended, drastically cutting unemployment income which will **impact women and people of color** the hardest.

- Of the 19 million people who will receive regular unemployment benefits in July, **53% are women** and **47% are people of color**.
- Because women make up the majority in numbers of workers in sectors like **education, health, hospitality and leisure**, the unemployment rate for women is almost **3 times higher** than it is for men, totaling **16.2% for women** in comparison to 13.5% as it is for men
- Statistics show **55% of the 20.5 million jobs** lost during this pandemic were held by **women**.

### What You Can Do:

To learn more about the **CARES Act** and how and how it's ending will directly impact women and people of color, read our latest blog post [here](#).

### Join the #SaveThe600 Campaign

WOMEN'S WAY has joined the #SaveThe600 campaign by the National Law Project to demand action is taken to extend the \$600/week Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (PUC) until the unemployment crisis is sufficiently under control. To learn more about the campaign, view the tool kit [here](#).



New on the Blog:  
**"Rescinding the \$600 PUC Will Affect Women and People of Color the Hardest"**

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