



**OPERATION  
HOUSE  
PARTY**

**THE TOOLKIT TO MAKING  
YOUR  
EXPERIENCE  
A SUCCESS**



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# OVERVIEW OF THE DAY

**Operation Save Abortion** is being held Sunday, July 17th, from  
11:00a - 6:30p ET / 8:00a-3:30p PT

**WATCH PARTY GUESTS SHOULD ARRIVE 30 MINUTES AHEAD OF TIME**

The day will be a series of five, 45-minute conversations covering different areas of abortion advocacy.

In between each panel discussion, there will be a 25 minute house party breakout session where you will discuss, brainstorm and take action with who you are gathered to watch with.

We will close out the day with a robust Q/A session, comedy from the amazing Joyelle Nicole Johnson, and set you up for your next steps.

## **HOW TO ACCESS THE LIVE STREAM**

The video programming will be streamed through Crowdcast, which specializes in concerts and live events. You were sent an email when you registered with the link to the livestream.

Double check you received an email from Crowdcast confirming your registration. If you can't find it, don't worry you will receive the email with the link again 30 minutes before the event starts. For any questions on using Crowdcast check out their Attendee Guide at: [bit.ly/crowdcastguide](https://bit.ly/crowdcastguide)

The video program goes live at 11:00a and it's a good idea to sign on and have the screen open at 10:30a ET to troubleshoot any issues.

If you can, set up your computer to be connected to your tv screen for easier viewing. The easiest way to do this is with an HDMI cord or HDMI cord plus USB-C-to-HDMI adapter depending on your laptop. Check out the Crowdcast Questions and Answers at the end of this document for more information on viewing the livestream & watching it on your tv instead of your laptop.

Make sure at least one guest brings a laptop for back-up.

## **THE TWO MOST IMPORTANT THINGS TO KNOW DURING THE EVENT**

### **IF YOU HAVE PROBLEMS WATCHING THE LIVE STREAM AT ANY POINT:**

The event is also streaming on the Abortion Access Front's Youtube channel @AbortionAccessFront

### **IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT ANYTHING DURING THE EVENT**

Between panels the stream will not be running BUT but the q/a function & the chat are being monitored so you can get your questions answered there during the panels AND your breakout sessions.



# PREPERATION TIMELINE

## One Week Before

### Spot check

Do you have enough comfortable seating?

Identify what you need to connect computer to TV: HDMI cable or WiFi

Do you have pens, scissors, white board, or big stickie pad?

### Shopping

Rapid COVID tests and masks

**Drinks:** Especially water and coffee

**Lunch:** Have some sustenance, it's a long day and falls during a meal

**Snacks!** Sweet and salty!

FYI: Potluck and asking everyone to bring drinks/food can MAJORLY help cut down on costs/prep on your end.

### TO DO

Print and sort breakout session info and supplies

Forward the Activity Guide and Schedule to all attendees

## Two Days Before

Send a text reminder to everyone who said they would attend.

## The Day Before

Make sure you have purchased all supplies that you'll need.

## ON THE DAY

Set out food, beverages

Brew Coffee

Arrange chairs for the live stream

Make sure your phone is on you and charged

Set out Supplies For Activities

Be on the lookout for the Crowdcast link!

## POST SHOW **BEFORE YOU LEAVE**

Go through your materials, bonus activities, pick what you want to do next and set up a next meeting TO DO IT!

Sign up for your next steps at the Activist Calendar at  
[OperationSaveAbortion.com](https://OperationSaveAbortion.com)

# PANEL SCHEDULE

**REMINDER:** The stream goes down between sessions, and the 25-minute breakout sessions at the house parties begin.

Times Reflected Here Are **EASTERN**

**10:55a** Welcome from AbortionAF Founder Lizz Winstead

**11:00a-11:30a:** Let's Talk About Abortion and Reproductive Justice

**BREAKOUT 1**

**11:45a-12:35p:** "Indie"cent Exposure: Ways To Support Independent Abortion Clinics

**BREAKOUT 2**

**1:00p-1:50p:** Put your money, time, and privilege where your mouth is: How to help patients access care

**BREAKOUT 3**

**3:00p-3:50p:** Abortion Bans Are F\*\*king Trash:  
Learn to say this to an elected official without saying "f\*\*king" or "trash"

**BREAKOUT 4**

**4:15p-5:05p:** Make Haters Take Several Seats When You Take To The Streets

**BREAKOUT 5**

**5:30p-6:00p:** The Ultimate Climax:  
Answering all your questions, next steps for your marching orders, PLUS a hilarious comedy set from Joyelle Nicole Johnson

**6:00-6:30p:** GO OVER NEXT STEPS: Listed on pages 17 and 18 of the Activity Guide

# BREAKOUT SESSIONS

The stream will end after each panel and your house party will have a 25-minute breakout session to discuss what you learned, brainstorm ideas on how you can turn that info into action, and take a small action we have created for you.

## BREAKOUT SESSIONS PREP

### READ THROUGH EACH BREAKOUT SESSION IN THE ACTIVITY GUIDE.

That way you have a general idea of what you will be doing in the post panel sessions.

### PRINT THE BREAKOUT SESSION INSTRUCTIONS AND ORGANIZE THEM BY PANEL

- Check that you have enough ink in your printer.
- Sort the print outs by panel name
- Get all the additional supplies for each exercise
- Assemble Kits and have them ready to grab right at the end of the panel

### PREP ENVELOPES FOR NOTE CARDS WITH THE ADDRESS OF EACH ATTENDEE

One of the activities involves blank notecards and envelopes. Address and stamp the envelopes with the address of each of your attendees, including yourself.

### AS GUESTS ARRIVE

After they are situated, ask them to choose a blank notecard and an addressed envelope, **not their own**

### PASS OUT MATERIALS FOR THE FIRST BREAK OUT SESSION

Give everyone supplies associated with the first panel:  
“Let’s Talk About Abortion And Reproductive Justice”

## TIPS TO SET YOURSELF UP FOR MEANINGFUL BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Take notes during each panel. You will be prompted to share thoughts afterward, a-ha moments, things that were new or that you found profound, so taking notes will help you participate in the post-panel conversation.  
Use the Framework we have provided.

1. Use the provided prompt questions to discuss what you learned
2. Brainstorm ideas on ways to take next steps based on what you learned.

**KEY:** Take a photo of what you wrote for your brainstorm, BEFORE you move on

3. Complete the action provided for each activity
4. Time each section so that you can complete everything. It will be helpful to assign time limits for each section.



If your Session runs long, you can hop on Crowdcast late and the panel will start from the beginning.

### IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT ANYTHING DURING THE EVENT:

The live-stream will not be running between panel sessions, BUT the Q/A function in the Crowdcast chat will be monitored so you can get your questions answered there during both the panels and breakout sessions

# THAT'S (ALMOST) A WRAP

Once the livestream ends at 6:00p ET you have 30-minutes for the VERY IMPORTANT NEXT STEPS

6:00-6:30p ET

**Reflect on the day!** Do NOT feel a pressure to do everything you learned today, choose what's right for you and do that. Set goals that you can achieve. That is success. This is a long game and we need you all to stay in it, whatever you can do is amazing and enough!

**Debrief.** Each person shares where they really see hanging their hat. Really listen so that when you see opportunities come in in those areas, you can let them know.

Discuss how often your group can realistically meet.

Set up a secure text chain with attendees using the app Signal to plan events.

**Remember the blank cards you got this morning?** Look to see whose name is on the addressed envelope and write them an encouraging message. Everyone should each write one message to someone in the room.

**Points to include are:**

- **Thank them** for coming and committing to the fight
- **Remind them** of a few things they committed to doing going forward
- **Promise to help them** achieve what they commit to in abortion access work.
- Lastly, put them in the envelope, give them back to the host and the host will mail them out to everyone in a few weeks.

# VIRTUAL WATCH PARTIES

## **WANNA HOST A WATCH PARTY WITH FRIENDS IN OTHER PLACES?**

The host can invite people via zoom, or another streaming service and do a screen share with their virtual attendees! Just set up the crowdcast on your computer, open your zoom and share your screen and computer sound so the others can view it. This way when the livestream takes a break for activities y'all will still be in a meeting together and do the activities virtually together.

Regardless of the platform you choose, set aside time before the event to test out sharing your screen with a video playing.

## QUESTIONS?

**Do my Watch Party guests need to register?**

- Anyone who wants their own access to the live-stream link & toolkits should register at [OperationSaveAbortion.com](https://OperationSaveAbortion.com). Otherwise, no they don't need to.

**Which browser seems to work best?**

- Chrome works best for Crowdcast. Firefox is another good alternative.

**Can I cast this onto my TV?**

- Yes! Attendees can cast any page from Google Chrome to a Chromecast. Just select Cast from the View menu in your Chrome browser. Your device will cast the tab, but you can switch your video to full screen and have the video show that way. Another option is Airplay. Attendees with iOS devices can download the Crowdcast app and simply Airplay onto their TV/display.

**I have a question not addressed here!**

**Email [Max@aafront.org](mailto:Max@aafront.org)**



# COCKTAILS

## EQUAL PAY ROSÉ

Recipe:

- ½ oz of St. Germain
- 4 dashes of bitters
- 4oz of sparkling rosé

Place 2 lemon slices, bitters, and St-Germain in a white wine glass. Add ice. Top off with rosé.



## Who Needs a Man-hattan

Recipe:

- 2 dashes of Angostura bitters
- 1 ounce dark vermouth
- 2 1/2 ounces bourbon

In chilled cocktail shaker, combine Angostura, vermouth, and bourbon. Add ice and stir until well chilled, about 20 seconds. Strain into glass. Garnish with 1 maraschino cherry.

## Gin and Toxic Masculinity

Recipe:

- 3 ounces gin
- 1/2 ounce pomegranate liqueur
- 4 ounces (1/2 cup) tonic water

Fill a highball glass with ice. Add gin and pom liqueur. Then top with tonic water. Garnish with cucumber. Garnish with a cucumber slice.



# MOCKTAILS

## PINEAPPLE & GINGER PUNCH THE PATRIARCHY IN THE DICK

Recipe:

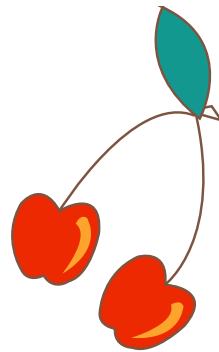
- 750 ml Pineapple Juice
- 750 ml Ginger Beer
- 1 lime
- Mint sprigs

Pour the pineapple juice, lime juice, mint, & crushed ice into a blender. Slightly blend the drink, then pour into a cocktail glass filled with more ice. Top with ginger beer, then garnish with mint sprigs before serving.

## SAFE SEX ON THE BEACH

Recipe:

- 7 mint leaves
- 4 shots orange juice
- ½ shot lemon juice
- ½ shot lime juice
- ½ shot grenadine syrup
- 1 fresh egg yolk



In a cocktail shaker packed with ice, combine all the ingredients, then shake well. Double strain, then add a cherry for a final flourish.

## PUSSYFOOT

Recipe:

- 3 oz. cranberry juice
- 3 oz. grapefruit juice
- 2 oz. peach nectar



Get your choice of a chilled cocktail glass, then pour over ice all the ingredients, and stir. Garnish with a maraschino cherry, then serve.