

# ONE MILLION RISING

# NONCOOPERATION & TARGETING PILLARS OF SUPPORT

THESE ARE THE PILLARS HOLDING UP THE SYSTEM.

EVERY REGIME DEPENDS  
ON THE SUPPORT OF  
INSTITUTIONS

MEDIA, BUSINESS, EDUCATION,  
CIVIL SERVANTS, FAITH, LABOR,  
AND MORE.



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WILL CAUSE A PILLAR  
TO BE UNRELIABLE OR  
COMPLETELY DEFECT.

Each time a pillar institution yields to or supports the regime, the regime grows stronger. In contrast, noncooperation – refusing to do what is expected, disrupting the normal course of events, and withdrawing support from unjust or illegal policies – weakens the regime and creates cracks in its foundation of power.

- What pillars am I part of?
- How are those pillars upholding the regime?
- In those pillars, what kind of defiance is already happening and what could more look like?
- Who are key decision-makers in those pillars who we could influence, pressure, or persuade to support more noncooperation?

# One Million Rising: Next Steps of Resistance

One Million Rising: Create and participate in actions of noncooperation by

- Hosting Resistance Gatherings—small groups of people to discuss what's happening and what each of us can do to break the pillars of support holding up the Trump regime.
- Brainstorming, planning and holding actions of noncooperation, individually, in groups and mass actions

The key to stopping any momentum toward authoritarianism isn't to attack the would-be ruler at the top, but to chip away at the vital institutions and communities that uphold their power, causing the entire house of cards to come tumbling down. Trump cannot consolidate power without well-maintained roads to transport his military muscle, vendors who sell to his detention facilities, and educated workers to fill in for his decimated federal workforce, just to name a few.

We call these institutions and communities pillars of support and there are many, including faith, labor, business, civil servants, police/military and more. These pillars are holding up the regime.

These pillars of support are much closer to us as everyday Americans than Trump is himself, which means we have the ability to shift them from compliance to defiance.

This is how we fight back against Trump's authoritarian takeover -- by identifying our influence with the pillars of support his regime depends upon and convincing them to participate in strategic non-cooperation.

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The recordings are phenomenal—good info with practical steps we can each take. Each builds on the other and is only one hour.

One Million Rising Session Recordings:

- [The Moment & Your Mission](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4496VWDjwS0): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4496VWDjwS0>
- [How to Make it happen](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ahLB5Fre7nl&t=2s) : <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ahLB5Fre7nl&t=2s>
- [What Now?](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xMrfl07wX00) : <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xMrfl07wX00>

One Million Rising links and documents:

[One Million Rising Website](https://tinyurl.com/4vzuytmk): <https://tinyurl.com/4vzuytmk>

[Resistance Gathering Toolkit](https://tinyurl.com/yppykesv): <https://tinyurl.com/yppykesv>

[Host Guide](https://tinyurl.com/4aaw4pmh): <https://tinyurl.com/4aaw4pmh>

[Flyers, Rally Signs, Printed materials](https://tinyurl.com/464rkdvy): <https://tinyurl.com/464rkdvy>

[Slides from the first call](https://tinyurl.com/djznb43u): <https://tinyurl.com/djznb43u>

[Slides from the 2<sup>nd</sup> call](https://tinyurl.com/yta544ey): <https://tinyurl.com/yta544ey>