

**10
YEARS**

NURTURING STIGMA-BUSTING
ABORTION JUSTICE
WORLDWIDE

10th Anniversary Edition

Weaving Collective Power Across the Abortion Justice Ecosystem



Who We Are

inroads: the International Network for the Reduction of Abortion Discrimination and Stigma is a global network and community of practice dedicated to nurturing abortion justice movements leading transformative changes to dismantle abortion stigma and its discriminatory and harmful outcomes. We have been building collective power within the reproductive justice ecosystem for over 10 years. Our community is made up of abortion justice movement leaders, including activists, community workers, researchers, abortion providers, feminist funders, grassroots collectives, activists, feminist organizations, reproductive rights lawyers & journalists, policy-

shapers, and more. We are powering the diverse abortion justice movement needed to make long-lasting change worldwide!



[Learn more about our current strategic goals and the values that guide our work here.](#)



OUR VISION

We envision a world where abortion care is centered around the needs, experiences, and leadership of those who have abortions, and where stigma, fear, and misinformation about abortion can be eradicated through collective culture change to eliminate abortion stigma. Our community is creating a future where we have the tools to transform systemic, legal, medical, and interpersonal levels of stigma so that **people can be free to access and experience abortion on their own terms.**

We ground our work in values of Community Care, Authentic Engagement, Fearless Passion, and Equity. Our community membership is free and open for people actively leading abortion justice efforts worldwide.

OUR MISSION

We build cross-movement collective power, provide flexible resources, and strengthen movements across the global abortion justice ecosystem to build a world where everyone is able to access their inherent right to stigma-free abortion care.



Our Global Community

GLOBAL REACH

2612 Movement leaders from across the abortion justice ecosystem

124 Countries

CENTERING THE GLOBAL MAJORITY

Our resourcing prioritizes historically marginalized communities leading grassroots efforts that are usually excluded from traditional funding resources and are facing multiple injustices. Grantee partners listed here include 51 partners who were supported with urgent COVID response funds.

GLOBAL RESOURCING

161 Grantee Partners leading vital abortion stigma-busting efforts

47 Countries

70% of our community is from

80% of our staff is from

84% of our grantee partners are from

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Our Approaches



COMMUNITY RESOURCING

Through a participatory and community-centric grantmaking model, we provide flexible funding that supports local, regional, and global abortion stigma busting work and the reproductive justice movement.



SOLIDARITY AND POWER BUILDING

We co-create and support community spaces for healing, mutual learning, sharing, reflection, joy, and accompaniment across territories, topics, and fields to leverage collaboration, and build solidarity and collective power.

AMPLIFYING

We amplify the dreams, visions, efforts, leadership, and voices of our abortion stigma busting community to raise awareness, increase accessibility, and ensure their participation in strategic spaces and processes.

SHIFTING POWER AND NARRATIVES

We actively lead and support efforts that shift narratives, challenge hierarchical power, and advocate for more and better resources for abortion stigma busting work and the reproductive justice movement.



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We invite you to explore our groundbreaking journey of connecting, nurturing, and resourcing a global network of movement leaders driving stigma-busting change in abortion narratives, practices, and policies across the world.



2014 - 2015 | GLOBAL CHANGEMAKERS

285 members from 48 countries / 24 grantee partners

The inroads journey began when a number of organizations, academics, activists, and movement leaders centered around the need to tackle abortion stigma to achieve sustainable reproductive health and rights. During a convening at the Bellagio Center to address [abortion stigma](#), they decided on a collective plan for long-term movement collaboration.

This led to the official launch of inroads, the International Network for the Reduction of Abortion Discrimination and Stigma, in 2014, with the hiring of founding staff members and the formation of the Global Steering Committee, with the support of Ipas as host organization. Since its inception, inroads has established grants to resource stigma-busting efforts and innovative strategies in multiple countries, held in-person regional gatherings for mutual learning, and set up the inroads Collaboration Workspace (iCW), laying the foundation for a global network dedicated to dismantling abortion stigma. Membership from multidisciplinary changemakers within the reproductive health and rights ecosystem quickly grew, reflecting increasing recognition and support for this transformative mission.



BUILDING OUR COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT



[Latin America Summit on Abortion](#)

From early on, the inroads Collaboration Workspace served as a safe virtual space for movement-building and continuous solidarity and partnership across communities and movements. The first regional gathering, the Latin America Summit on Abortion Stigma, brought together transformative movement leaders from various areas of the ecosystem.



TRANSFORMATIVE PUBLICATION SPOTLIGHT



[Abortion Stigma and Quality Care Framework](#)

A powerful publication integrating a stigma lens to the WHO framework for quality abortion care was developed with inroads members from 16 countries, representing NGOs, community-based organizations, providers, activists, academics, and grassroots networks. This research was later presented at FIGO and served as a vital resource for further work on abortion stigma.

2016- 2017 | MOVEMENT BUILDERS

767 members from 77 countries / 51 grantee partners

We organized our inaugural in-person Global Member Gathering (iGMG) alongside additional regional spaces, weaving a powerful community of change-makers with collective stigma-busting strategies that strengthened abortion justice movements in every continent. We intentionally centered the experiences and leadership of the people who have abortions and

collectives at the frontline of abortion work, becoming a cornerstone of our movement-building work. Key research was published to foster a stigma-busting lens on abortion narratives and practices, our grant programs were expanded to reach collectives, and our virtual mutual learning resources and spaces were powered.



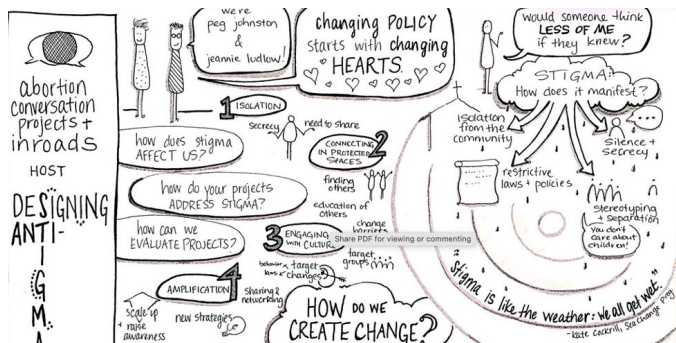
ABORTION RIGHTS CAMPAIGN SPOTLIGHT



[Abortion Rights Campaign](#)

Ireland is a key leader in the movement to dismantle barriers for abortion rights in Ireland, which led to the full decriminalization of abortion in 2018. With an inroads grant in 2015, they were able to organize activist trainings and produce vital advocacy tools to further their movement.

We are proud to have supported the vital work of these and many other abortion justice collectives from early on and to count on their wisdom as active community members and leaders in multiple community gatherings, capacity-building sessions, workshops, and more. [Learn more.](#)

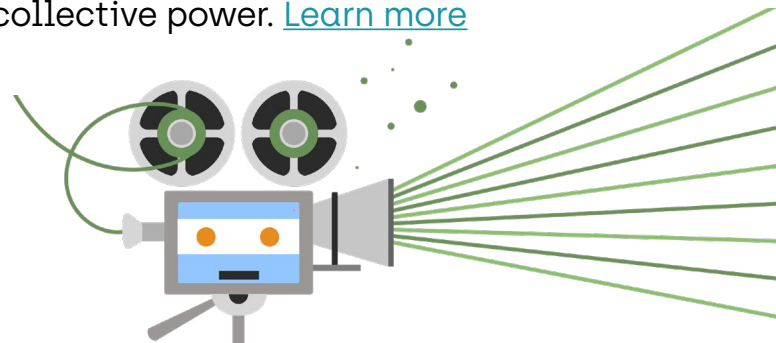


MOVEMENT LEADER & GRANTEE PARTNERS SPOTLIGHT



[Católicas por el Derecho a Decidir – Argentina](#)

Is one of the pioneering organizations within the Green Wave movement to decriminalize and destigmatize abortion in Argentina, which led to the legalization of abortion in 2020. With an inroads grant in 2016, they developed narrative change short films that reached over 60K people and strengthened their movement's collective power. [Learn more](#)



SESSION SUMMARY SPOTLIGHT

Spaces for mutual learning and strategizing are part of our vital and regular work to ensure pollination and cross-collaboration to strengthen our movements.

2018- 2019 | TRANSFORMATION DRIVERS

1330 members from 101 countries/ 83 grantee partners

In our community, change-makers found increasing transformational community support to shift abortion narratives, policies, and practices in every continent! We solidified and expanded our organizational team and developed infrastructure for long-term sustainability. We also launched new rounds of funding for movement solidarity and power, hosted in-person gatherings for regional movement-building in multiple spaces, and held multiple virtual capacity-building, narrative change, and mutual learning spaces with movement leaders worldwide.

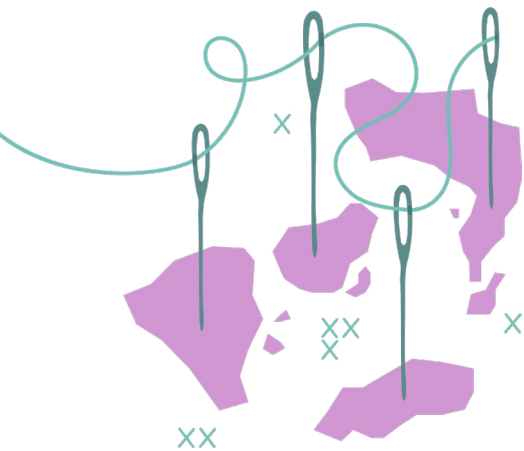
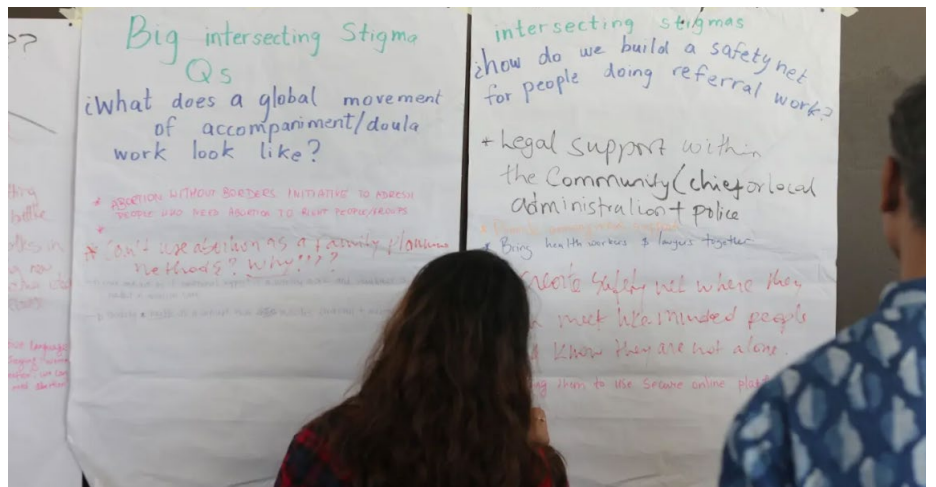


INROADS GATHERINGS: WEAVING CROSS - MOVEMENT POWER FOR OVER 10 YEARS

With 61 participants from 30 countries around the world, the first-ever [inroads Global Member Gatherings](https://makeinroads.org) took place in Bangkok in 2016. Since our creation, we have hosted 13 in-person Global Gatherings and Regional Gatherings in Latin America, Africa, and Asia, bringing together hundreds of movement leaders from 72 countries. By nearly every measure—age, race, geography, gender, technical experience, religion, sector of work—inroads gathering are bursting with complementary experiences and needs. Each space is intentionally crafted to ensure diversity, authentic accessibility for grassroots collectives and leaders, nurturing co-created agendas, and safe and brave spaces to further cross-movement learning, collaboration, strategizing, and community care.



Our gatherings were often described as incredibly powerful and caring abortion justice bootcamps. At the end of each gathering, diverse movement leaders expressed feeling better equipped, connected, emboldened, and energized to further their transformative work for abortion justice!

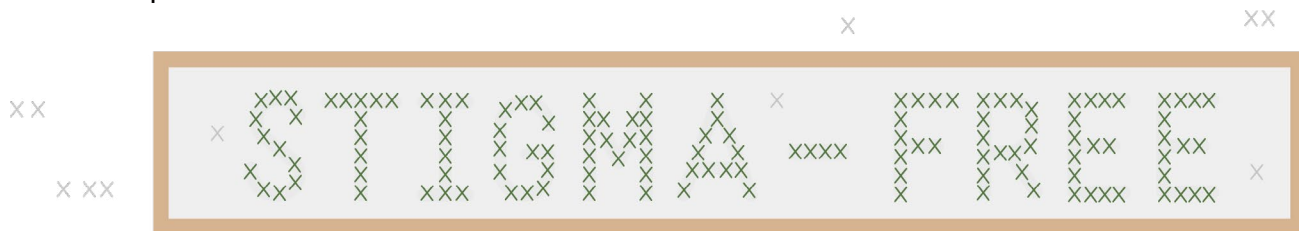


2018 - 2020 | GRANTEE PARTNER SPOTLIGHT



POLAND

Kobiety w Sieci & Abortion Dream Team, a pioneer coalition leading the movement for abortion rights in Poland with powerful accompaniment networks and fierce narrative change and advocacy work. Their contributions have been crucial to catalyze the current mass support for stigma-free abortions in Poland. We are proud to have supported their fearless work when other funders considered it too risky to resource, and to count their leadership and wisdom in our community gatherings, workshops, courses, and more. [Learn more.](#)



2019- 2020 | A MOVEMENT POWERHOUSE

1751 members from 109 countries/ 147 grantee partners

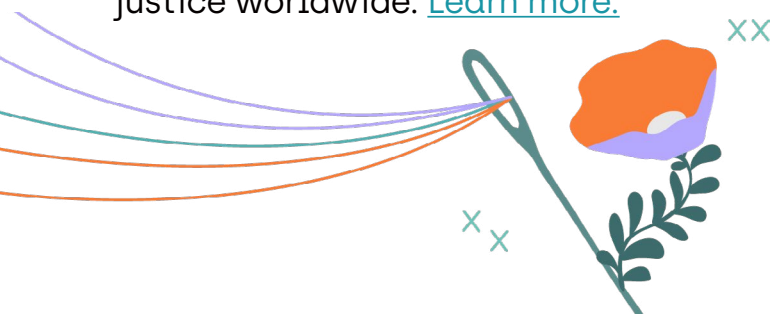
**Including COVID-19 support grantee partners*

This period saw our transformation into an independent, robust, movement-led organization grounded in feminist values of community care, strengthening our infrastructure, and increasing our capacity to nurture the power of movements at a global scale. We held our most recent Global Gathering with 122 movement leaders and launched a responsive funding stream to support the resilience of 51 abortion justice collectives navigating the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic. Our work and reach expanded significantly, hosting capacity-building and cross-movement collective power spaces and cohorts to power abortion stigma-busting worldwide.



STRATEGIC PLAN 2020 - 2025

After processes of intentional reflection and collaboration based on learnings from our regular [community evaluations](#), inroads developed a powerful 2021-2025 strategic plan rooted in the wisdom, growth, and evolution of the practices and leadership of the people powering movements for stigma-busting abortion justice worldwide. [Learn more.](#)



2022-2023 | ABORTION JUSTICE CROSS-MOVEMENT AMPLIFIERS

2612 members from 123 countries/ 161 grantee partners

*Including COVID-19 support grantee partners

Our community of change-makers is leading transformative abortion justice and solidarity movements in 123 countries. We strengthened our capacity and spaces to support intersectional collaboration and amplify their vital work and impact, providing more robust spaces for mutual learning and narrative change within fellowships. We also evolved our funding to better power the transformational work of abortion



COVID - 19 RESPONSIVE FUNDING FOR COLLECTIVES

Listening to the needs of our community, inroads shifted resources to support abortion justice work led by vulnerable groups impacted by the pandemic. We held an urgent response funding cycle that contributed to continuing the work of 51 collectives around the world. [Learn more.](#)

Women Spaces Africa was one of the collectives that were able to better respond to the pandemic challenges with inroads' responsive funding.

justice collectives worldwide. We held a regional gathering bringing together 75 movement leaders from 21 countries of Latin American and the Caribbean, amplified vital resources, strengthened coalitions, and launched collective advocacy efforts that reached over 1.7 million people, reinforcing our commitment to intersectionality and long-term movement sustainability.



CROSS - MOVEMENT SOLIDARITY SPOTLIGHT

The inroads Queer Abortions Festival was a 5 day virtual festival led by grassroots leaders centering the voices of LGBTQIA+ members to gather and engage with questions, reflective activities, and practices that bust abortion stigma for our queer communities. [Learn more.](#)



ARTISTS BUSTING ABORTION STIGMA FELLOWSHIP SPOTLIGHT

A mutual learning program by and for transformative artists from different regions to support and advance the work of 19 fellows using their diverse artistic talents to propel destigmatizing narratives for cultural change. [Learn more.](#)

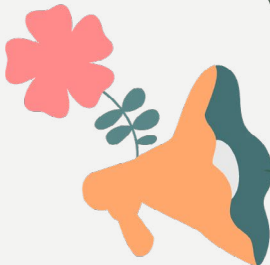
As we celebrate a decade of joint achievements, we recognize that our work is far from over, but our collective power and determination are stronger than ever!

Together, we will continue to resource and build bridges of solidarity and collective power to transform abortion narratives, practices, and movements until everyone is free to access their fundamental right to stigma-free abortion healthcare worldwide.

We are honored to be on this path with you, our community, as we embark on the next decade of our collective abortion justice journey.

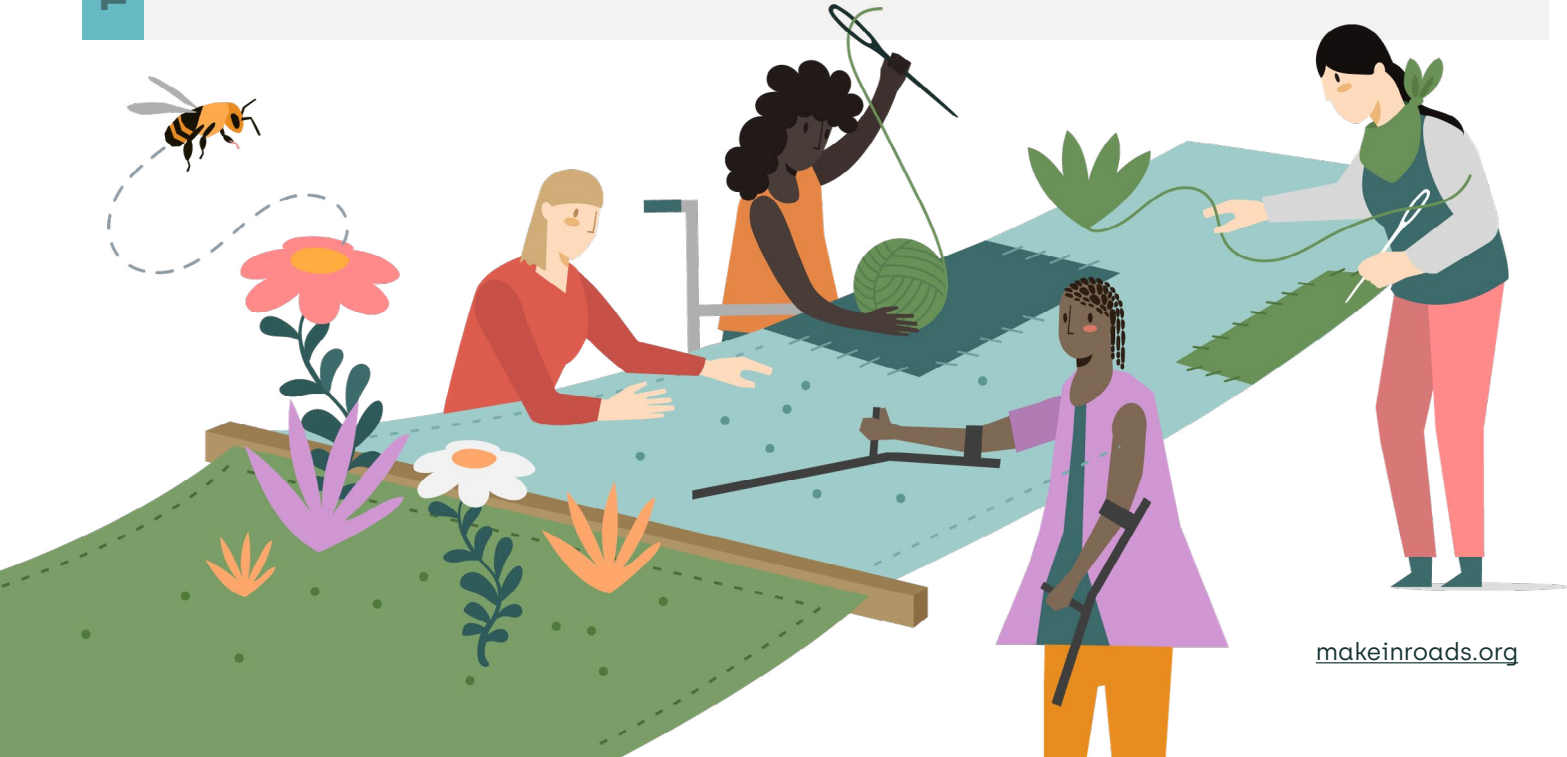
inroads' Pathways to Change



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INROADS	PROVIDES flexible funding that supports local, regional, and global abortion stigma-busting work and the reproductive justice movement through a participatory and community-centric grantmaking model.	CO-CREATES and supports abortion justice changemaker gatherings and community spaces for mutual learning, collaboration, collective strategizing, reflection, healing, joy, and community care, across territories, communities, topics, disciplines, and fields.	AMPLIFIES the dreams, visions, efforts, leadership, and transformative voices of our abortion stigma-busting community. 	LEADS AND SUPPORTS efforts that shift and destigmatize narratives about abortion, challenge hierarchical power, and advocate for more and better resources for abortion stigma busting work and the reproductive justice movements.
LEADING TO	More resilient and better equipped locally-led abortion justice collectives are driving vital destigmatizing change for stigma-free abortion access by leading innovations, strategies, and projects designed to transform how abortion is understood, talked about, provided, and accessed.	The people leading abortion justice movements are able to leverage intersectional collaboration to strengthen their expertise & capacities, develop collective strategies that support and complement each other's work and build collective solidarity & power, while cultivating joy & healing to care for themselves	Increased participation, awareness, and visibility of the stigma-free perspectives, experiences, and transformative leadership of front-line abortion justice changemakers at key decision-making, mutual learning, and narrative-building spaces and processes in the reproductive health and rights ecosystem, as well as other intersecting fields.	Increased resources and power for efforts that center the lived experiences and needs of people who have abortions, and for stigma-busting efforts who ground their work and processes in feminist, equitable, and care-centered practice.

inroads' Pathways to Change

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SO THAT	Movements are stronger, better resourced, and more able to transform abortion narratives and practices in their context and environment. 	Movements and the people that drive them are more resilient, safer, better connected, and well equipped to continue to lead their vital work towards reproductive justice & counter opposition forces more effectively with their collective power and solidarity. 	Movements, funders, influential spaces, and policymakers are able to better allocate resources and make decisions that center the experiences, needs, and expertise of people who have abortions, and drive abortion justice efforts that dismantle abortion stigma in their communities . 	Abortion is understood as a common and normal part of reproductive journeys and treated accordingly in media discourse, communities, policies, practices, and health systems. 
TO BUILD	A world where people are free and able to access their inherent reproductive right to abortion care on their own terms. Where abortion care is centered around the needs, experiences, leadership, and requirements of those who have them.			



All the powerful ways you can support and honor the movement!



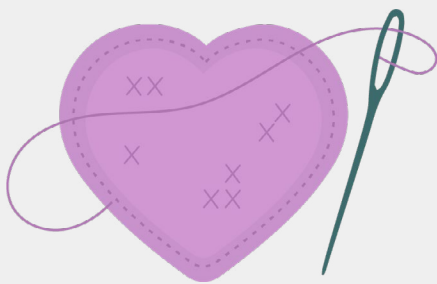
JOIN

If you are an individual or group working on abortion access and stigma reduction, apply to be part of a free global network that provides opportunities and resources to help learn, connect, collaborate, gather, and fund stigma-busting efforts worldwide.



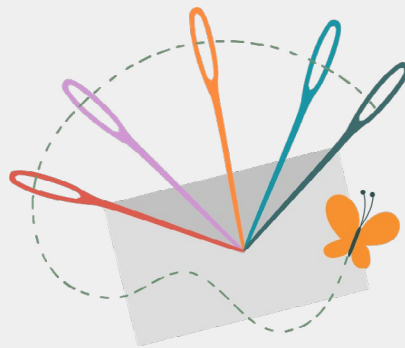
DONATE

Every donation allows us to nurture a network of over 2500 abortion justice movement leaders and collectives driving transformation 120+ countries.



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Celebrate the people in your life donating to further abortion justice on their behalf.



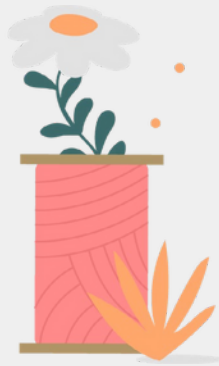
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