

2024 ANNUAL REPORT





A Message from the President and the Chair of the Board of Directors



In 2024, WOLA proudly marked its 50th anniversary, celebrating five decades of steadfast advocacy and unwavering commitment to human rights and social justice in the Americas. Our milestone year culminated in May with WOLA's 50th Anniversary Human Rights Awards and Benefit Gala, where we honored the Collectives of Family Members of the Disappeared in Guanajuato, Mexico, Venezuela Program Education-Action on Human Rights (PROVEA), and Senator Patrick Leahy for their extraordinary dedication and impact.

WOLA's commitment to its mission remains as strong as ever, with a passionate team of experts and advocates working tirelessly to address human rights violations and to advocate for robust foreign policy that strengthens democracy and addresses the mounting challenges facing both the United States and Latin America.

In this 2024 Annual Report, you will find highlights of WOLA's most noteworthy and impactful work from the past year, from documenting human rights abuses at the U.S.-Mexico border to addressing the Permanent Council of the Organization of American States on post-electoral repression in Venezuela. Through collaborations with partners, relationships with U.S. policymakers, countless media engagements, dedicated research efforts and reliable publications, WOLA's profound influence can be felt – in the U.S. and throughout Latin America.

2024 was a year of growing challenges for both the United States and Latin America. Elections were held in the U.S. and several countries in the region that have serious impacts on the future of U.S. relations and foreign policy in the Americas. Rising authoritarianism and threats to democracy and civil society continue to be of great concern. Meanwhile, increasing migration, a worsening climate crisis, and deepening inequality underscore the need for urgent and just policies.

It is in the face of these challenges that WOLA continuously renews our dedication to securing human rights for all people. We know today, as we have known for the past 50 years, that our persistent advocacy has been and continues to be a powerful tool in response to these mounting threats. It is precisely because of WOLA's profound legacy, long-standing relationships with partners in the region and in Washington, and ever-growing expertise, that we are uniquely prepared to tackle these challenges head-on.

The support from our donors and partners is paramount to WOLA's ability to do such important and impactful work. Your commitment to WOLA's mission, today and for the last 50 years, inspires us to continue advocating tirelessly for meaningful change and fighting for a region where human rights are protected and all human beings are treated with dignity and respect. Thank you for all that you do.

Sincerely,
Carolina Jiménez Sandoval, President
Nancy Belden, Chair of the Board of Directors



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Our Vision

WOLA envisions a future where public policies protect human rights and recognize human dignity, and where justice overcomes violence.

WOLA President Carolina Jiménez Sandoval speaks at an event at the Organization of American States.

What We Do

At WOLA, we partner with courageous human rights leaders and justice advocates to bring grounded insights into policy debates. Drawing on decades of expertise, we deliver sharp analysis, propose targeted reforms, and use innovative advocacy to influence change. Together, we work to advance human rights, democracy, and social justice across the Americas.

Weekly Border Update Series and the U.S. Presidential Election



With border security and migration at the forefront of voters' concerns this election year, WOLA's Border Security and Migration program prioritized timely, informative communications and rapid responses to the fast-evolving political landscape. Our Weekly Border Updates have remained a go-to resource for journalists, frontline partner organizations, and congressional staff, while we also expanded our impact with in-depth analyses of critical policy shifts. Leading up to the election, WOLA produced a twelve-part Weekly Border Update video series, analyzing key developments in the migration debate, breaking down complex statistics and policy shifts, and correcting misinformation for a broader audience.



Watch the series.



Monitoring Human Rights and Democracy in El Salvador

Despite a constitutional ban, Nayib Bukele was re-elected for a second term as President of El Salvador in February. Leading up to the election, WOLA closely monitored the conditions surrounding the vote, publishing the widely cited commentary "El Salvador's Election Integrity Under Scrutiny." Additionally, WOLA staff participated in various events to shed light on human rights and democratic violations in the country. We were also part of a joint delegation to San Salvador with U.S. Representative Jim McGovern where we met with government officials, civil society leaders, families of victims of unjust imprisonments under the State of Exception, UN Officials, and U.S. Embassy staff. We commemorated 35 years since the brutal massacre of six Jesuit priests, their domestic worker, and her daughter in a solemn event at the Universidad Centroamericana (UCA).



Read the article.



U.S. Congressional Delegation to Colombia



In November, WOLA organized a congressional delegation to Colombia with U.S. Representative Henry “Hank” Johnson, activists, and staff from other congressional offices. The purpose of the delegation, which visited Cali, Buenaventura, and Bogotá, was to encourage continued political and financial support to the 2016 Peace Accord (particularly the ethnic chapter), the U.S.-Colombia Labor Action Plan, the U.S.-Colombia Racial Action Plan, and for peace, human rights, and ethnic minorities. While in Colombia, the delegation met with local communities, social leaders, journalists, U.S. and Colombian officials, and other actors.



Analyzing Venezuela’s 2024 Presidential Election



Watch the series.



Like many countries in the Americas, Venezuela held presidential elections in 2024. Despite the lack of evidence from the National Electoral Council, Nicolás Maduro was declared the winner, extending his grip on power for another term. Ahead of the elections, WOLA’s Director for Venezuela, Laura Dib, hosted a weekly video series breaking down key issues that could shape the outcome and analyzing major developments. WOLA also organized interviews with Venezuelan journalists, electoral experts, and human rights defenders to shed light on the electoral conditions and possible political scenarios. The Venezuela program led efforts to privately seek support of international actors for democratic efforts, while publicly demanding transparency after the July 28 election and respect for human rights in the midst of a brutal crackdown on civil society and protestors.

UN Coca Leaf Review, Indigenous Rights and Colombia’s Biodiversity COP16

In 2024, WOLA’s Drug Policy work focused heavily on advocating to end the unjust ban on traditional uses of the coca leaf. Following the March 2024 session of the UN Commission on Narcotic Drugs (CND), we partnered with the Transnational Institute (TNI) in publishing the second issue of our the Coca Chronicles series examining the World Health Organization’s ongoing “critical review” of the coca leaf’s status in the UN drug control treaties. In October, Director for Drug Policy and the Andes, John Walsh, traveled to Cali, Colombia, to participate in the 16th Conference of the Parties (COP) to the UN Convention on Biological Diversity, where he spoke on ending the UN ban on the coca leaf as part of a broader discussion on Indigenous knowledge, biodiversity, and peace.



Watch the video.



Human Rights and Women's Rights in Mexico's Presidential Election

In preparation for Mexico's presidential elections in June, WOLA hosted a virtual discussion about what the outcome of the election could mean for women's rights, as well as publishing several articles outlining critical human rights issues both ahead of and following the election of President Claudia Sheinbaum. WOLA's Director for Mexico, Stephanie Brewer, traveled to Mexico City ahead of the elections, where she was featured prominently in several media outlets, including live with Al Jazeera during their election day coverage.



Read the article.



WOLA Addresses the OAS

In October, WOLA's President, Carolina Jiménez Sandoval, addressed the Permanent Council of the Organization of American States about the situation in Venezuela following the July presidential elections. In her speech, she called for continued mediation efforts and international pressure, emphasizing the importance of safeguarding the rights of Venezuelans who bravely exercised their right to vote, and urged OAS member states to who are also members of the UN Human Rights Council, to vote in favor of renewing the mandate of the UN Independent Fact-Finding Mission; it was subsequently renewed for two more years. Carolina's remarks received widespread attention and support, receiving over 250,000 views on X.



Watch the video.



A Human Rights Agenda for the Next U.S. Administration

Ahead of the U.S. Presidential elections in November, WOLA launched a collaborative article series outlining critical priorities, actions, and policies that should be at the forefront of policy discussions for the incoming U.S. president from a human rights perspective. The series featured input from all sectors of the organization, broken down into a five-part series on migration, drug policy, democracy, gender equity, and racial and ethnic justice.

Read the series.





Research

We draw on decades of expertise to provide timely, accessible analyses and propose specific policy solutions.



Kidnapping of Migrants and Asylum Seekers at the Texas-Tamaulipas Border Reaches Intolerable Levels

In April, WOLA’s Mexico and Border Policy and Migration programs published “Kidnapping of Migrants and Asylum Seekers at the Texas-Tamaulipas Border Reaches Intolerable Levels”, which presents the results of an investigation in which we interviewed 15 researchers, humanitarian workers, and shelter staff working in Matamoros, Reynosa, and Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas, or on the U.S. side of the same border region. The publication includes audio clips from several interviewees describing the brutal levels and types of violence they have documented against migrants and asylum-seekers, and presents both short and long-term recommendations for policymakers.



Read the report.



Improving Country of Origin Information for Asylum Adjudicators



In an ongoing partnership with Temple Law School, WOLA has worked to produce research material for attorneys supporting asylum cases from various Latin American countries. In May, we launched a new Annotated Table of Contents (ATOCs) tailored to Ecuador and Nicaragua, as well as updates for select ATOCs on El Salvador and Honduras. WOLA also hosted Temple students for a day of meetings in DC.



Explore resources.



Migrants in Colombia: Between government absence and criminal control



In June, WOLA published the field-research report “Migrants in Colombia: Between Government Absence and Criminal control”, which detailed the experiences of migrants and asylum seekers transiting through from the Ecuador border to the Darién Gap as part of the grueling, 3,000-mile journey to the U.S.-Mexico border.



Read the report.





Our Impact

By changing policies, we create lasting impact for human rights and social justice in the Americas.



1 Securing U.S. support for addressing disappearances in Mexico

Both the House and Senate Appropriations Committees recommended U.S. funding to strengthen Mexico's search for and identification of the disappeared. WOLA reinforced this advocacy by organizing meetings between U.S. policymakers and our 2024 Human Rights Award honorees from Mexico.

2 Supporting anti-corruption efforts in Venezuela

WOLA facilitated meetings between the Venezuela Asset Recovery Initiative (INRAV, in Spanish) and Congressional offices to discuss a proposal for a fund to return assets forfeited from Maduro-linked individuals to benefit Venezuelan civil society. The initiative was reflected in the PANA Act and the VERDAD Act.

3 Contributing to the release of an Afro-Colombian human rights defender

Following the ELN's January 2024 kidnapping of Jhon Jairo Jiménez Cuesta, WOLA coordinated a successful advocacy effort that involved the U.S. State Department, Congress, and members of the ELN dialogue table. His release, after 39 days in captivity, was credited in part to this coordinated pressure.

4 Promoting judicial independence in Guatemala

WOLA brought urgent attention to the selection process of Guatemala's Supreme Court and Court of Appeals. We advocated for U.S. political and financial support for the OAS Observation Mission of this process.

5 Highlighting democratic backsliding in El Salvador

In December, WOLA's Director for Central America Ana María Méndez Dardón testified before the Tom Lantos Human Rights Commission about the State of Exception in El Salvador, calling attention to judicial deterioration and the lack of justice for victims of human rights violations.

6 Achieving U.S. support for harm reduction at the UN Commission on Narcotic Drugs

In a historic shift, the U.S. delegation sponsored an overdose prevention resolution supporting harm reduction, marking the first time the U.S. backed such language at the CND. The resolution passed with 38 votes in favor and only two against: Russia and China.

7 Elevating Garifuna rights in U.S. policy toward Honduras

WOLA published a statement supporting OFRANEH and promoted the reintroduction of H.Res. 1278, condemning violence against the Garifuna people and urging the U.S. to stop financing projects that threaten their communities.

8 Advancing U.S. support for peace and ethnic rights in Colombia

WOLA helped preserve U.S. assistance in the FY2024 and FY2025 budgets for peace and human rights in Colombia. We also facilitated a letter from 46 Members of Congress and organized a congressional visit to Colombia led by Rep. Hank Johnson to promote support for Afro-Colombian and Indigenous communities.

9 Testifying in Congress to oppose anti-asylum border policies

WOLA staff testified twice times before House and Senate committees in 2024 to challenge policies undermining the right to seek asylum at the U.S.-Mexico border.

10 Shaping U.S. response to Venezuela's election and post-election crackdown

WOLA provided U.S. officials with timely documentation of electoral abuses in Venezuela, including opposition bans and arbitrary actions. After the National Electoral Council failed to publish official results and Maduro claimed victory, WOLA offered critical analysis repression that followed, ensuring Venezuela remained on the U.S. policy agenda.

WOLA IN THE NEWS

WOLA's strategic communications and rapid response define the debate on critical issues. Examples of our extensive work with journalists and media outlets:



"I have been documenting human rights violations in Venezuela for many years and have seen patterns of repression before. I don't think I have ever seen this ferocity."
- Carolina Jiménez Sandoval, The New York Times



"Many die trying to get to the U.S. And many more are stuck on the Mexican side of the border, with no protection and in a legal limbo."
- Maureen Meyer, NPR



"It's gotten much, much harder for migrants to make it to the U.S. border. The real question is when does the dam burst in Mexico?"
- Adam Isacson, The Washington Post



"The lack of checks and balances and the concentration of power that Bukele has is worrisome for any democracy."
- Ana María Méndez Dardón, Associated Press



"The important thing is that the international community accompanies Venezuelan civil society in this fight."
- Laura Dib, CNN en Español



"Organized crime is increasingly making forest areas its center of operations, not only to hide, but to illegally extract flora, fauna and mineral resources."
- Gimena Sánchez-Garzoli, The San Francisco Chronicle



"There was a certain level of attention and progress that was possible for a while on the Ayotzinapa case in particular during this government — certainly there wasn't that type of dialogue and collaboration and attention given in general to search collectives."
- Stephanie Brewer, The Hill



"The Ecuadorian people are rightly clamoring for effective, firm government and a state role in quelling this violence and returning what, for most Ecuadoreans, was a sense of peace and security."
- John Walsh, Vox

OUR IMPACT BY THE NUMBERS

WOLA REACHES WIDE AND DIVERSE AUDIENCES



WOLA Weekly: The Latest on Latin America



Our newsletter offers analysis from WOLA's experts on the latest news in Latin America.

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from 189 countries



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2,261 NEW FOLLOWERS
13,074 total



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739 NEW FOLLOWERS
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Weekly Border Update
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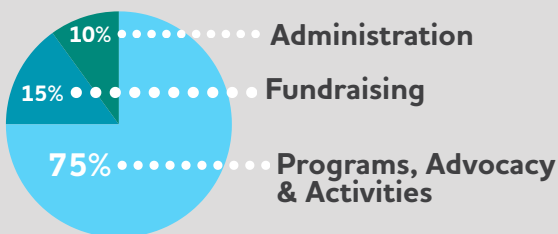
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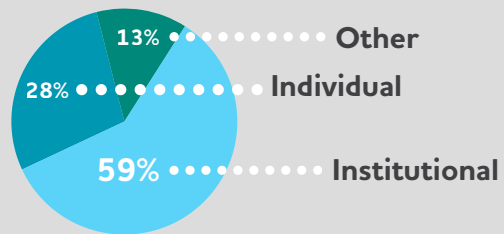
1. REFORMA JUDICIAL EN MÉXICO: UN RETROCESO PARA LOS DERECHOS HUMANOS: **81,000 VIEWS**
2. WHY IS MIGRATION DECLINING AT THE U.S.-MEXICO BORDER IN EARLY 2024?: **38,000 VIEWS**
3. 10 THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT THE END OF TITLE 42: **36,000 VIEWS**
4. PROPUESTAS DE REFORMA CONSTITUCIONAL EN MÉXICO: RIESGOS PARA LOS DERECHOS HUMANOS: **21,000 VIEWS**
5. BUKELE'S SECOND TERM: FROM THE WAR AGAINST GANGS TO THE WAR AGAINST CORRUPTION?: **16,200 VIEWS**

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WOLA'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY

Human Rights Awards Ceremony and Benefit Gala

In May 2024, WOLA proudly hosted its 50th Anniversary Human Rights Awards Ceremony and Benefit Gala—a joyous celebration honoring the past, present, and future of our organization. The evening brought together generations of WOLA staff and board members, courageous human rights defenders and partners, and our passionate supporters to celebrate five decades of unwavering advocacy for human rights in the Americas.

Hosted by Venezuelan comedian Angelo Colina, the gala marked the culmination of WOLA's 50th Anniversary commemorations, which began in September 2023—fifty years after the Chilean military coup that ousted President Salvador Allende. The coup ushered in a brutal dictatorship under General Augusto Pinochet, marked by violent repression, forced disappearances, and extrajudicial killings, and led thousands into exile. It was in response to these atrocities that WOLA was founded in 1974.



“All of us who work in the field of human rights live at the crossroads of pain and hope, of memory and possibility, of rightful anger and effective action. We witness, document, demand accountability - and here, at WOLA, we work with partners to change policies of the United States government and across the Americas to advance the values of human rights and democracy. We provide solid research to back up our proposals and enact advocacy strategies to make them a reality. The success of WOLA, for five decades, comes from being able to adapt and change to meet the challenges of the time.” - Carolina Jiménez Sandoval, President



WOLA'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY

Human Rights Awards Ceremony and Benefit Gala

At our 2024 gala, WOLA commemorated the impact and dedication of our inspiring honorees. Keeping in line with the theme of celebrating the past, present, and future of WOLA, all of this year's awards were presented by former honorees.



Senator Patrick Leahy

Award presented by Representative Joaquín Castro (D-TX)
For his life-long commitment to human rights and democracy in the Americas, and his congressional leadership in advancing these principles in U.S. foreign policy. Leahy's advisor, Tim Rieser, accepted the award on his behalf.

Venezuela Program Education-Action On Human Rights (PROVEA)

Award presented by Luz Mely Reyes, journalist and co-founder of Efecto Cocuyo and WOLA board member
For their courage in investigating human rights violations, their support for victims, and their promotion of respect for the rule of law in Venezuela.



The Collectives of the Family Members of the Disappeared in Guanajuato, Mexico

**Accepting on their behalf:
Olimpia Montoya of the search collective
Proyecto De Búsqueda Bibiana Mendoza
and Veronica Durán of the Hasta
Encontrarte Collective**

Award presented by Helena Hofbauer, Director, Mexico and Central America, Ford Foundation
For their essential role in the search for truth, justice, and reparation for families of the disappeared, and their unwavering voices against rising militarization in Mexico.



Launching WOLA's New Strategic Priorities

In 2024, WOLA launched a new set of strategic priorities. At a time of rapid political change across the hemisphere, these priorities guide our efforts to promote U.S. and regional policies that place human rights at the center of a just and sustainable future for Latin America.



Inclusive Democracy Supported by a Vibrant Civil Society



At WOLA, we support efforts to build democracies in Latin America that are inclusive, accountable, and reflective of diverse voices. A thriving civil society is essential to democratic resilience, and confronting authoritarianism and anti-democratic trends is vital to protecting the region's future. We advocate for a consistent U.S. foreign policy that strengthens democratic institutions, safeguards civic space, and defends the rule of law. We also call on governments in the region to pursue policies aligned with these same principles.

Security and Peace Rooted in Justice



WOLA promotes U.S. and regional policies that enhance institutions' capacity to protect people facing insecurity, corruption, and violence, including those harmed by transnational criminal networks and the illicit drug trade. Our work centers on supporting peaceful transitions, judicial independence, and accountability as foundations for lasting security.



Equity Amidst the Climate Crisis, Gender Inequality, and Migration



WOLA is committed to tackling the interconnected challenges of systemic discrimination, climate change, gender inequality, and forced migration. We advocate for bold policies—both in the U.S. and across the region—that center the needs of the most affected communities and deliver sustainable, rights-based solutions that promote dignity, protection, and long-term equity.





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Honorary Council

WOLA’s Honorary Council is composed of experts, artists, and thought leaders from the region. This non-governing honorary body lends their names to WOLA, as an ambassador for the organization, as we continue to be a leader in the fight for human rights throughout the Americas. These members strengthen WOLA’s ability to fulfill its mission and connect us to a vibrant group of like-minded leaders and social changemakers in the Americas.



Alberto Barrera Tyszka

Venezuelan Novelist, Screenwriter, and Journalist



Bill Shipsey

Irish Human Rights Activist, Philanthropist, and Founder of Arts for Human Rights



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Diego Luna

Mexican Actor, Director, Producer, and Social Activist



Gina Chávez

Latinx Singer-Songwriter, and Social Activist



Tom Harkin

Former United States Senator

“The work of the Washington Office on Latin America in the defense of human rights and justice in all of the Americas is essential. I want to thank WOLA for making me part of their honorary council - it has been an honor working with them for all these years.”

– **Diego Luna, Mexican actor, director, producer and social activist**



Sally Yudelman Internship Program

Our internship program is named after the late chair of WOLA’s Board of Directors who was passionate about cultivating the next generation of human rights advocates for Latin America. Your generous donation allows WOLA to provide an hourly wage to young people who work closely with our team while gaining experience that will offer them future opportunities.

“Working as a Sally Yudelman intern at WOLA was one of my most rewarding and enjoyable professional experiences. I supported the Central American and Venezuelan programs, collaborated with regional experts, and had the privilege of contributing to an explainer article about Honduran politics. Through this experience, I learned the importance of centering the voices of local activists and fighting for human rights. This experience continues to influence my professional development, writing, and understanding of Latin American politics.”



– Jorge Paz Reyes, 2024 WOLA Intern for Central America and Venezuela



WOLA’s Partner’s Council

As a community that plays a vital role in championing human rights and democracy in our hemisphere, WOLA’s Partners’ Council strengthens our mission through financial contributions and strong engagement with our research and advocacy work. Members are invited to special briefings and receive regular updates through WOLA Impact Reports.

WOLA’s Legacy Society

WOLA’s Legacy Society offers our generous donors a chance to make a gift through a will or a trust or a beneficiary donation to ensure the work of human rights for future generations. Find out more about how you can make a lasting gift.



Learn more about WOLA’s Legacy Society



Donor Spotlight

"For five decades, in Washington and Latin America, WOLA has been present, independent and credible. Lacking the material lubricants of political influence, its bedrock strategy has been uncovering and telling the truth — impelled by a deep belief that positive change is possible and worth working for, even in dark times."

-Former WOLA Director, Board Chair, and sustaining donor





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