

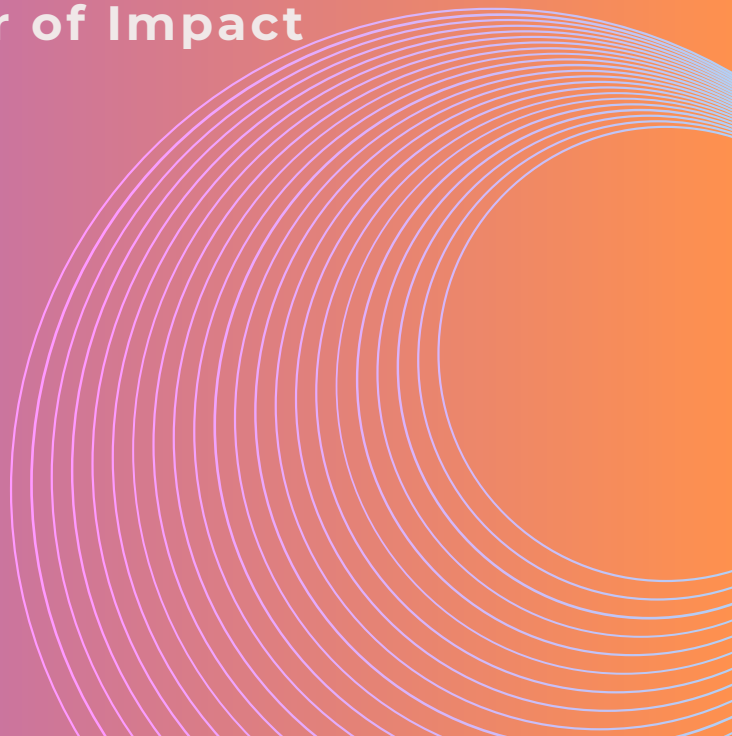


**Eastern Massachusetts  
Abortion Fund**

# **ANNUAL REPORT**

**2024 in Review:**

**Celebrating Our 25th Year of Impact**



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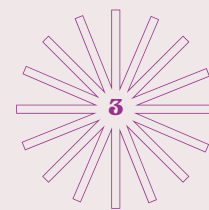
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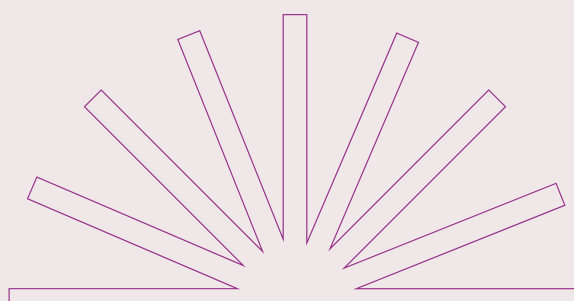
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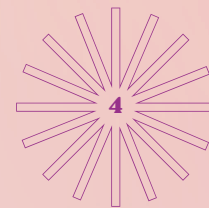
Increased Need  
Post-Dobbs





This year, the Eastern Massachusetts Abortion (EMA) Fund celebrates its 25th anniversary of funding abortion in Massachusetts. Founded in 1999, the EMA Fund works to support every person's bodily autonomy by reducing social and economic barriers to abortion care through direct support, movement-building, advocacy, and education. The EMA Fund provides funding to cover the cost of abortion care and logistical support to people who live in, or are having abortions in Massachusetts.





## A MESSAGE FROM OUR STAFF...

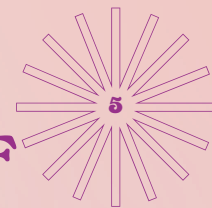
For the past 25 years, EMA has helped bridge gaps in abortion access in Eastern Massachusetts and beyond, knowing that legal frameworks alone have never been the benchmark for true accessibility of care. Systemic forces – racial capitalism, eugenics, and settler colonialism – shape the barriers we face, and the increased restrictions, cost, and logistical barriers since the *Dobbs* decision have made the existing disparities in care even starker. Our vision extends beyond legal victories or increased funding; it seeks to reimagine the systems that make our organization necessary.

Meeting people's material needs through abortion funding and practical support is a way of modeling the kind of world we want to live in. We're driven by the life-saving impact of this work, and the values of mutual aid and community care that ground us.

We fund abortion because it is a matter of reproductive and racial justice, and believe that access to healthcare, housing, transportation, and childcare are fundamental human rights.

Disability justice, trans liberation, migrant justice, and language access are places we hope to deepen our analysis as a fund and embed into the work that we do, recognizing that these are all tied to our collective liberation.





## A MESSAGE FROM OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS...

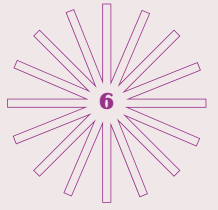
25 years ago, The EMA Fund was born from grassroots leaders and movement builders. Since, we have grown into an organization with dedicated staff and the capacity to meet the needs of those seeking our support. We are deeply grateful to every caller, staff member, volunteer, board member, donor, and partner who has shaped the EMA Fund into what it is today.

We envision the EMA Fund as part of an interconnected network of movements fighting for reproductive justice, prison abolition, housing equity, immigrant rights, and liberation for all oppressed people. While abortion access remains at the heart of our mission, we recognize that true reproductive justice means supporting holistic care for those we have yet to reach. In the spirit of gratitude and growth, we are committed to fostering a culture of mutual aid, transparency, and collective care. Our board will continue to empower staff and volunteers while inviting movement leaders into our space for development and collaboration.

We invite you to build the next 25 years with us – one rooted in care, solidarity, and justice for all.



# OUR IMPACT



Distributed over \$616,947  
in abortion funding



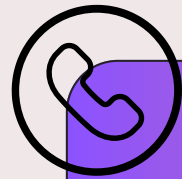
Funded 749 in-state  
abortions



Funded 180 out-of-state  
abortions



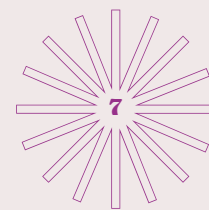
Spent \$44,773 on practical  
support assistance



Answered 1,697 hotline  
calls



# INCREASED NEED POST-DOBBS



As of June 2024, two years have passed since the Supreme Court's devastating Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization decision that overturned Roe v. Wade and the 50 year precedent of the legal right to abortion. During these two years, the challenges to accessing abortion care have increased dramatically, with 14 states having banned abortion completely. Nearly one in five abortion seekers across the US are traveling out of state for abortion care, increasing the cost of travel, practical support, and need for logistical coordination with callers.

## Following Dobbs...

Hotline volume  
increased by

**291%**

Supported callers from

**20+  
STATES**

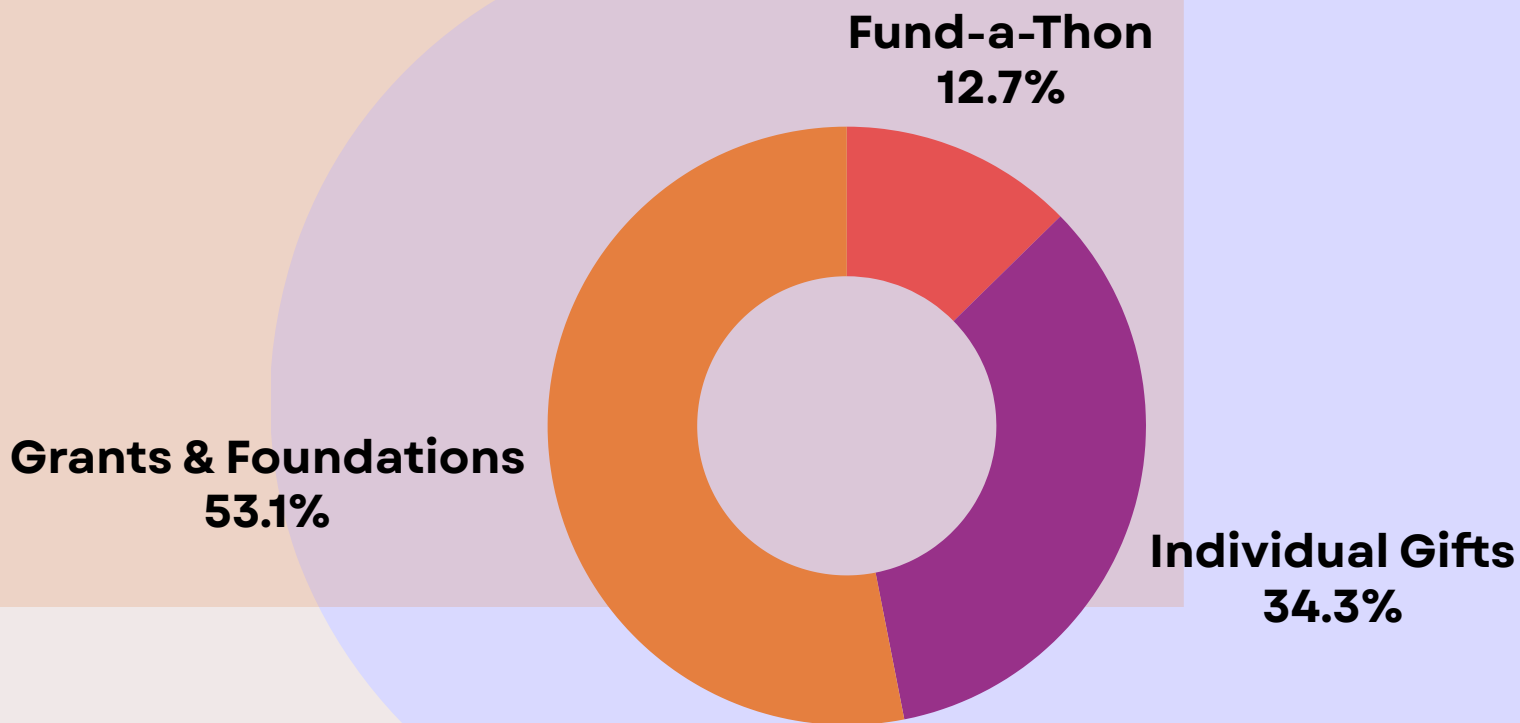
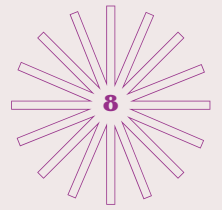
Need for practical support  
funding nearly

**TRIPLED**

Abortion funding multiplied by

**6.5X**

# FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

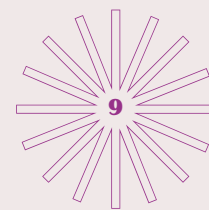


In the wake of the Dobbs decision, we saw an unprecedented **6.5x increase in demand for our services**. We are grateful recipients of grants and foundations, and rely on our annual Fund-a-Thon and the unwavering support of individual donors.

Despite the significant rise in funding requests, **our individual donations have decreased by a staggering 52%**. This urgent funding gap highlights the critical need for renewed and sustainable support.

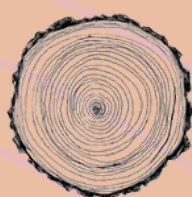






# COMMUNITY PARTNERS

We are partnering with Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center (BIDMC) and DARLA (project of Abortion Rights Fund of Western Massachusetts) to launch a pilot program connecting BIDMC abortion patients with trained doulas for emotional and physical support. This expands EMA's practical support, ensuring compassionate care for those accessing abortion services at BIDMC.



**DARLA**

Doula Association for Reproductive  
Loss and Abortion



Beth Israel Deaconess  
Medical Center



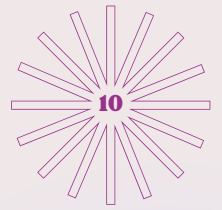
*All She Wrote*

We recently launched the EMA Book Club, supported by our community partner All She Wrote Books. Our book club initiative is designed to build community, foster political education, and encourage discussions around reproductive justice. All She Wrote Books is our book club book supplier, shipping out books from their Somerville location, making it easier for our community to engage with critical texts on abortion access and reproductive justice.

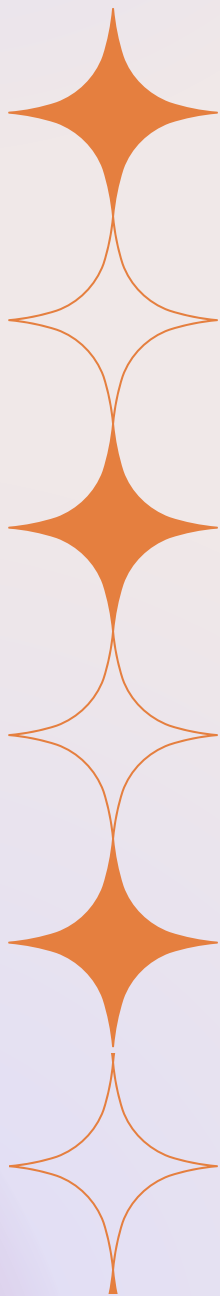
The EMA Fund is one of three Massachusetts abortion funds committed to people seeking care in the Commonwealth.



# A LOOK AHEAD



**Building on 25 years of service, the EMA Fund is ready to grow and expand its impact. Here's a glimpse of some of our goals for growth on the horizon...**

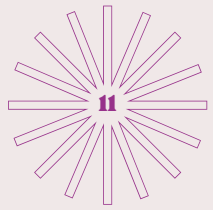


**Invest in abortion doula programs by supporting training opportunities and covering doula costs for callers.**

**Expand our funding to cover full spectrum reproductive healthcare including birth control and gender affirming care.**

**Alongside a board development consultant, develop a board structure to grow the organization's skills, leadership, and commitment.**

**Expand our movement-building efforts and deepen our community outreach initiatives.**



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