



# OUR BODIES OURSELVES AT SUFFOLK UNIVERSITY

## Meeting the Moment February 2025

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### A Note from Our Executive Director

Dear Friends,

What a time. Amid outrageous attacks on just about everything we've fought for, and won, over the past 50+ years, Our Bodies Ourselves remains resolute in advancing health, sexual autonomy, and reproductive justice for women and gender-expensive people everywhere.

This newsletter highlights a new legal agreement that brings OBOS entirely to Suffolk University and reconnects OBOS activism with its educational mission (via the website). We certainly need both activism and education, as well as all the cross-movement solidarities we can find, in order to withstand the current political moment.

Read on to find information about our upcoming International Women's Day event, some of our favorite new resources, and our statement about government censorship, and more. We are with you, and together we are strong.

Onward!

Amy Agigian



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### Highlights: Our Bodies Ourselves at Suffolk University!

It's a new chapter for Our Bodies Ourselves! Suffolk University is now the global hub for this iconic feminist resource, and OBOS is ready to advance its powerful legacy through Suffolk's Center for Women's Health and Human Rights.

A fresh agreement re-integrates the educational mission of Our Bodies Ourselves with its longstanding intersectional feminist activism,

focused on reproductive, health, and sexual justice.

Our digital platform shares evidence-based information, compelling personal stories, & intersectional feminist analysis. It provides women globally, our allies, and health care providers with access to trustworthy, up to date health & sexuality resources that are free from corporate and government influence.

With Suffolk's support, we renew our commitment to this mission, during a time of rampant mis- and disinformation. We affirm that all women and gender-expansive people deserve the power to make our own decisions regarding health, reproduction, sexuality, sexual orientation, and gender identity.

You can read our full press release [HERE](#).

Please help us spread the news and share your congratulations, video or written, through this form: <https://forms.gle/D7Wo93ZRF5bYmWmj7>



## News and Events

### International Women's Day with Our Bodies Ourselves

How are we meeting this moment of intersectional crisis for women and gender-expansive people?



Honor  
**International Women's Day**  
with  
**Our Bodies Ourselves**

*A New Chapter for  
Health and Sexual Rights  
at Suffolk University*

Saturday March 8th  
5:00-7:15pm ET  
120 Tremont St, Boston



Please join us on March 8th, International Women's Day, for a special event dedicated to strengthening our feminist community in our home base of Boston, across generations, and around the globe.

We will hear about the global feminist activism of Our Bodies Ourselves from powerful speakers, including OBOS co-founder Judy Norsigian, executive director Amy Agigian, Aziza Ahmed, and Renu Rajbhandari.

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This program will be in person, and light refreshments will be served.

Register to get your free ticket [HERE](#).

## Explore Our Website

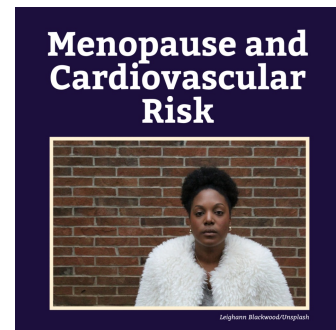
We continuously update the health and sexuality content on [Ourbodiesourselves.org](http://Ourbodiesourselves.org) to ensure its accuracy and inclusivity. Here are some of the resources we've added in the last month:



Abortions Welcome is a faith-forward, fact-forward, pro-abortion website that provides resources for every stage in the abortion process. [READ](#)



Guidance around birth control for trans men, transmasculine people, and nonbinary people. [READ](#)



New research shows that people who start menopause before the age of forty are at increased risk of future coronary heart disease. [READ](#)

## Menstruating While Homeless



The first review of its kind assesses the research on homeless women's experiences of period poverty.

[READ](#)

## Black Women, Reproductive Justice, & Environmental Justice



A fact sheet that shows how reproductive justice and environmental justice intersect.

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## Women and Social Security



Why is Social Security a women's issue? What are our challenges? How can we better ensure financial security in our later years?

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## Where We Stand

### Government Censorship:

In light of the censorship and deletion of key federal databases and other federal webpages in recent weeks, it is clear that we can no longer rely on the scientific accuracy or accessibility of federal information about — or in any way related to — women, gender, sexuality, public health, or reproductive rights. We have therefore removed direct links from the OBOS website to federal government webpages. (The one exception is the National Library of Medicine, whose holdings are, as of now, unchanged.)

We're thankful to the organizations and individuals who acted quickly to save valuable material from the federal data purge. To find archived copies of the purged data, see:

- <https://www.theskimm.com/news/reproductive-rights-gov>
- <https://jessica.substack.com/p/cdc-birth-control-guidelines-pdf>
- <https://19thnews.org/2025/02/federal-government-data-purge-information-saved>

Our Bodies Ourselves remains steadfast in our commitment to provide evidence-based information in the interest of the public good. We condemn censorship, misinformation, and disinformation. We affirm that access to unbiased information about health and sexuality is critical to women and gender-expansive people, especially those who are part of marginalized communities. **The free exchange of information is a human right that is central to our ability to live full and free lives, as well as to the promise of democracy.**

Read more [HERE](#)

## National Heart Health Month

In honor of Heart Health Month in February, we are highlighting our Heart

Health subject area.

The heart is strong, flexible, adaptive, and central to our well being. Gender and biological sex are often overlooked factors in our cardiovascular conditions, including diagnosis and treatment.

Explore our resources [HERE](#)



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**Your accurate *and* inclusive  
guide to health, sexuality, *and*  
reproductive justice**



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