

ELECTED OFFICIAL'S IMPACT REPORT

What is this?

This is a tool to increase transparency and accountability between elected officials in the St. Louis region and the communities they represent.

What can I do with this?


Read through this report and then take action. Contact your elected official and thank them for the positive work they have done. Hold them accountable for the policies they advocate for and demand they create change.

Why is this important?

Black mothers and babies in St. Louis are dying at twice the rate of white mothers and babies. We need to do more.

Rita Heard Days – *High Impact*



Low	Medium	High 
I. Social Determinants of Health		II. Racial Equity in Maternal Health & Mortality
III. Racial Equity in Infant Health & Mortality		IV. Equitable Health Care

Data from Partners only, no self-assessment input

Councilwoman of District 1, Rita Heard Days received an overall High Impact level. That means that on several issues she was the champion of a cause. She held office hours/town halls, organized movements and community events to advocate for these issues, and worked with other levels of government, businesses, and social programs to advance these issues. This report shows the breakdown of the policies she was a real champion for, as well as those areas in which she could do better.

Recommendations for Improvement:

- Attend trainings and events focused on racial equity.
- Listen to the asks of Black moms and babies and follow through.
- Partner with expert organizations to learn more about these calls to action and elevate their expertise.

I. Social Determinants of Health: 75 out of a possible 94 points

Low = 0 to 31

Medium = 32 to 63

High = 64 to 94

Rita Heard Days had a High level impact when it came to Social Determinants of Health. That means that on several issues she was the champion of a cause. She held office hours/town halls, organized movements and community events to advocate for these issue, work at other levels of government, businesses, and social programs to advance these issues. The following table lists the policies that Generate Health’s partners rated her on.

Policy	Averaged Impact (out of 5)	Importance on Impact Matrix (out of 4)	Total Impact
Raising Minimum Wage	3	2	5
Creating Universal Child Development Accounts	3.5	2	5.5
Strengthening the Community Reinvestment Act	4	2	6
Identifying Priority Transportation Projects for the St. Louis Region	3	2	5
Promoting Use of Public Transit	3	2	5
Building Healthy, Affordable Housing	4	4	8
Improving Use of Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) Funds	5	3	8
Using Federal Funds in Strategic Maximally Impactful Ways	3	3	6
Expanding the Statewide Housing Trust Fund (HTF)	4	4	8
Prioritizing Transit-Oriented Development	3	2	5
Supporting Early Childhood Education	2.5	4	6.5
Ending Hunger for Children and Families	3	4	7
			=75

II. Racial Equity in Maternal Health & Mortality: 45.5 out of a possible 59 points



Rita Heard Days had a High level impact when it came to Racial Equity in Maternal Health and Mortality. That means that on several issues she was the champion of a cause. She held office hours/town halls, organized movements and community events to advocate for these issues, and worked with other levels of government, businesses, and social programs to advance these issues. The following table lists the policies that Generate Health’s partners rated her on.

Policy	Averaged Impact (out of 5)	Importance on Impact Matrix (out of 4)	Total Impact
Improving Access to Affordable and Equitable Women's Healthcare Before, During, Between and After All Pregnancies	3.5	4	7.5
Disaggregating Data	3	2.5	5.5
Applying a Racial Equity Framework	3	4	7
Implementing Anti-Bias Trainings	3	4	7
Promoting Trauma-Informed Services Through Support Services	3	4	7
Promoting Paid Family Leave	3	1.5	4.5
Promoting Reproductive Justice	3	4	7
			=45.5

III. Racial Equity in Infant Health & Mortality: 11.5 out of a possible 15 points



Rita Heard Days had a High level impact when it came to Racial Equity in Infant Health and Mortality. That means that on several issues she was the champion of a cause. She held office hours/town halls, organized movements and community events to advocate for these issues, and worked with other levels of government, businesses, and social programs to advance these issues. The following table lists the policies that Generate Health’s partners rated her on.

Policy	Averaged Impact (out of 5)	Importance on Impact Matrix (out of 4)	Total Impact
Promoting Safe Sleep Practices and Infrastructure Capacity	3	1	4
Promoting Home Visitation and Community Health Workers	3.5	4	7.5
			=11.5

Equitable Health Care: 27.5 out of a possible 34 points



Rita Heard Days had a High level impact when it came to Equitable Health Care. That means that on several issues she was the champion of a cause. She held office hours/town halls, organized movements and community events to advocate for these issues, and worked with other levels of government, businesses, and social programs to advance these issues. The following table lists the policies that Generate Health’s partners rated her on.

Policy	Averaged Impact (out of 5)	Importance on Impact Matrix (out of 4)	Total Impact
Expanding/Extending Medicaid Eligibility	4	4	8
Increasing Health Insurance Coverage and Access	3.5	4	7.5
Providing Gap Coverage	3	2	5
Breaking Down Barriers to Care	3	4	7
			=27.5



Our Mission

Generate Health mobilizes and inspires the St. Louis region to advance racial equity in pregnancy outcomes, family well-being, and community health.

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