

# WORLD PRESS FREEDOM DAY

## WE THE PEOPLE BELIEVE IN THE POWER OF A FREE PRESS

**We believe fact-based news reporting informs us all**, revealing important truths about our communities, bolstering our understanding of civic life from school boards and city council meetings to national elections, and enabling us to speak truth to power about the issues that matter most.

**We believe a free press underpins democracy**, uncovering stories that expose injustice and corruption, fostering knowledge for holding the powerful accountable, and cultivating space for dialogue and participation.

**We believe journalists elevate our humanity** through storytelling, inspiring individuals to come together, celebrating heroes, and identifying opportunities to engage across differences in ideas, politics, arts, and culture.

**In sharing this belief, we come together today and every day to protect journalists and defend a free press for all the ways they touch our lives.**



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to Write