Mapping CARE Advocacy in the 116th Congress

As we arm advocates with the tools necessary to amplify the work on CARE’s advocacy issues, we highlight the importance of engaging new members of Congress. These newly elected officials represent constituent concerns and have been elected to elevate global issues that matter most for improving the lives of women and girls. As we greet what may be a large freshman class, advocates direct support and sharing CARE’s policy expertise serves as an opportunity to build a positive, long-term relationship.

1. Who are my Congressional Representatives in the 116th Congress?
   a. House Member:
   b. Senators:

2. Are any of my Members new?

3. Have I met with any of my Members before? Either as sitting Members of Congress or as candidates?

4. What positions did my Members take during the 2018 election that may indicate their support for CARE’s advocacy agenda? Ex: Support for foreign assistance, refugees, gender-based violence awareness, etc.

Mapping My Members

Sen./Rep. First and Last Name:

Party, District, and State: (eg. D-NY 16th District)

Electoral history:

Percentage of vote in last election:

Next election:

Religion:

Education:

Profession:

Personal life:

Positions of power:
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### Table 1. Useful websites for information on members of Congress

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