



And while "having an agenda" may have negative connotations to some, we think it is essential. Our "agenda" is to do what we can to keep single moms and other family caregivers who do low-paying work employed, so that they can support their families - not just financially, but in all the ways that caregiving demands.

We do this by:

Representing and providing legal assistance to employees who have been pushed out of work because of their pregnancies or caregiving responsibilities;

Training medical providers to document their patients' medical need to receive workplace accommodations and time off; and

Advocating for laws that protect women and other caregivers in low-income work.



Recently, we:

- Enabled
a
woman
employed

by
a
DC
nonprofit
to
take
8
weeks
off
to
recover
from
the
birth
of
her
son,
even
though
her
employer
had
initially
denied
her
request;

- Gave
a
presentation
to
20
doctors
and
midwives
at
a
local
hospital
about
strategies
for
documenting
their
patients'
needs
for

workplace
accommodations
during
pregnancy;
and

- Have
been
working
with
the
D.C.
Paid
Family
Leave
Coalition
and
the
D.C.
Office
of
Paid
Family
Leave
to
advocate
for
a
**paid
leave
insurance
system**
that
will
be
accessible
to
and
benefit
First
Shift's
clients.

You can support our agenda by participating in our fall fundraising campaign to
Run Like a Mother!

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in support of the mothers and caregivers that First Shift serves. **All donations will be matched.** The race is about a month away, so act now!



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