



**WOMEN'S
MARCH GLOBAL**

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WOMEN'S MARCH GLOBAL ANNOUNCES LEADERSHIP TRANSITION AND MOVE TO THE UK.

WMG ANNOUNCES DEPARTURE OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND FORMATION OF INTERIM COMMITTEE AS ORGANISATION MOVES TO THE UK.

GLOBAL | 20 MAY 2020 - After three and half years with Women's March Global, starting as the Volunteer Director of Global Community and Social Media and departing as Executive Director (ED), Uma Mishra-Newbery is leaving her role as ED of Women's March Global to explore new opportunities in the women's human rights space. We thank Uma for her tireless commitment to advancing women's human rights globally and for her remarkable contribution to the efforts of Women's March Global.

Over the past few years there has been no part of this organisation or movement that has not been impacted by Uma's leadership. Uma has always centered the global community at every turn and ensured that the mission and vision of Women's March Global always remained true despite immense challenges. Her dedication to transparency as a leader ensured that our global community, board, and team members were able to thrive despite the challenging environment and issues we face in this work. Uma's tireless efforts to build coalitions with long standing and respected women's rights organisations ensured that the voices of grassroots activists were continually brought to the forefront of the most pressing women's rights issues. Uma provided support, solidarity, and advice to hundreds of women's rights activists within our community around the world.

Among Uma's achievements and contributions we note:

- Coordinating and producing the Global Anniversary Live Streams for the past three years for over 200+ global events in 40 countries with a social reach of over 1.5 million views.
- Helping build and direct Women's March Global's program structure to not only support our Global community but also build coalitions in an effort to mobilise around women's rights issues worldwide. Notably Uma helped to start the Free Saudi Activists coalition with 6 other international NGOs.

- Centering the need for responsible and transparent movement building at the core of operations of Women's March Global and ensuring all reporting measures internally and externally were met and communicated. Fostering an environment of trust and collaboration not only within our Global Community and Team but our external partners.
- Building relationships and working with over 150+ partner organisations to further program efforts in advocating for and advancing women's human rights globally.

Women's March Global has benefited immeasurably from Uma's tireless efforts and we are excited to continue mobilising and assembling for women's human rights globally. Over the past few months we have been exploring paths forward for Women's March Global as an organisation and as a 501c3. We are excited to share with you, our community, that we are moving our home and operations to be housed under [The Social Change Agency](#) (SCA) in London, UK and to have it be the new home for this global movement. SCA is committed to building people-powered movements that change the world. They are experts in creating social impact and systemic change through communications, community organising, crowdfunding, and peer networks. Like Women's March Global they value collaboration and co-creation, dynamism, and, most-importantly, whole-heartedness. Because of the synergy between our missions and values, we believe being housed in SCA will launch Women's March Global into a new and stronger phase of its life as a powerful grassroots movement. Being in the UK enables us to flourish globally and build on the incredible achievements we have collectively made in the world.

As Women's March Global moves home, we have created an interim committee to see the organisation through this next stage. As part of this transition, Uma and members of the Board of Directors will join the interim committee to help with the move.

In Solidarity and Community,

Betsy, Michelle, Melissa, Jackson, Katie and Maya
The Women's March Global Team and Board