

THE FUTURE IS HERS

Reproductive justice movement is my political home, featuring Monica Simpson

Monica Simpson is a spoken word artist and activist and the founder of SisterSong, an organization that focuses on the reproductive rights of women in marginalized communities. This video transcript is part of the *Future Is Hers* multimedia series, celebrating innovators, risk-takers, and change makers supported by the Ford Foundation, who have impacted the lives of women and girls around the globe.

Transcript begins.

[on-screen text: Monica Simpson, Executive Director, SisterSong]

[A Black woman with light- and dark-brown dreadlocks, wearing a black top and multicolored dangling earrings, opens and closes a clapperboard and addresses the camera.]

MONICA SIMPSON: I feel like this movement is my political home and it was waiting for me. I've done work in, you know, queer liberation work, and I've done work against the prison-industrial complex and so many other things that are super important to me. But this was the first movement where I felt like I could bring all parts of me together. And I didn't have to separate anything to be fully present in this work. My uterus, you know, my queerness, my Blackness—everything about who I am was centered and held sacred, and was honored in this movement.

[on-screen graphic: Ford Foundation logo]

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