

CONGRESSWOMAN LOUISE M. SLAUGHTER

CAREER ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Louise Slaughter has earned her reputation as a straight-shooter and tough fighter. She has delivered results here at home, saving jobs at Delphi, bringing high-tech companies to Eastman Business Park, and working to make our district a national leader in advanced manufacturing. Her office is often highly praised for serving her constituents with respect and tenacity, working hard to meet the needs of the people she is honored to serve as a Member of Congress.

Louise has also been a force for change in Congress, launching multiple investigations into public corruption, leading the fight to protect and strengthen Social Security and Medicare, championing women's rights and public health, opposing unfair trade laws and fighting to stop taxpayer subsidies for corporations that outsource our jobs. She works hard to protect our fighting forces when they are in the field and to help our vets when they return home. Louise takes on the fights no one else will, and gets results.

Below is a partial list of Louise's accomplishments as a Member of Congress:

- 1987: Won inclusion of language in the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, signed into law by President Reagan, allowing children to continue to attend the same school if their family became homeless and moved to a shelter out of district
- 1990: Won passage of an amendment to the Immigration Act of 1990 that allowed a battered spouse who was a legal alien to file for permanent residence without the cooperation of the batterer
- 1992: Won passage of the DES (diethylstilbestrol) Education and Research Amendments of 1992, providing for further research into the effects of DES – once used as an anti-miscarriage drug with devastating health consequences to mothers and their children exposed in utero
- 1993: Secured the first \$500 million dedicated to breast cancer research at the National Institutes of Health (NIH)
- 1993: Ensured that all research at the NIH included women and minorities in clinical trials – previously all research was done on white males, even in predominantly female diseases such as breast cancer
- 1994: Co-authored the Violence Against Women Act, signed into law by President Clinton, providing protections for victims of domestic violence for the first time and continuing to provide vital services to survivors of abuse today
- 1996: Included language in pesticide legislation that became law requiring a review of all federal programs that assess or mitigate the risks to women's health from environmental exposures
- 2000: Worked with local businesses to bring Jet Blue Airlines to Rochester
- 2005: Led the effort to save the Niagara Falls Air Reserve Station from the Department of Defense's Base Realignment and Closure Commission
- 2005: Helped secure \$5 million in federal funding for ARTWalk – 2,375 linear feet of sculptures, outdoor art displays, and interactive exhibits set in downtown Rochester
- 2007: Became the first woman to serve as the Chair of the influential House Committee on Rules
- 2008: Won passage of the Genetic Information Non-Discrimination Act (GINA), a law that protects individuals from discrimination by employers or health insurers based on genetic predispositions to health conditions

- 2009: Persuaded the Department of Defense to recall 16,000 pieces of body armor and replace them with safer armor to protect our troops in harm's way
- 2009: Won passage of the National Women's Rights History Project Act – after nearly a decade of work with then-Senator Hillary Clinton – as part of the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009, authorizing the Votes for Women Trail, an auto route linking historical sites with importance to the struggle for women's rights and suffrage
- 2009: Brought the Affordable Care Act to the floor of the House of Representatives for an historic vote, expanding and improving health care for Americans
- 2009: Secured \$90.1 million in federal funds for the construction of a second railroad track between Albany and Schenectady to improve passenger service
- 2010: Won passage of the Airline Safety and Pilot Training Improvement Act in the wake of the Colgan Air Flight #3407 disaster in the Buffalo area
- 2010: Secured \$16.5 million in federal funding for the Niagara Falls International Railway Station and Intermodal Transportation Center
- 2010: Ushered the Student Aid and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 2010 to the floor of the House of Representatives, providing large increases in the size of Pell grants, strengthening the Perkins loan program, and drastically lowering interest rates on federally subsidized student loans.
- 2010: Brought the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act to the floor of the House of Representatives, ensuring that unchecked corporate greed will never again bring America to financial collapse
- 2011: Brought the Department of Labor's Deputy Secretary and local farmers together leading to necessary changes in the H-2A agricultural guestworker program
- 2011: Secured \$62.5 million in federal funding for the laser lab at University of Rochester
- 2011: Secured \$300 million in federal funding for the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative and \$23.7 million for the Great Lakes Fishery Commission
- 2011: Won inclusion of four key provisions of the Force Protection Readiness Act – improving the prevention and prosecution of sexual assault in the military – in the National Defense Authorization Act for FY 2012
- 2012: Won passage of the Stop Trading on Congressional Knowledge (STOCK) Act, making insider trading by Members of Congress and their staffs illegal
- 2012: Secured \$15 million in federal funding for the Rochester Intermodal Transportation Center
- 2012: Won passage of the Stop Invasive Species Act as part of the Surface Transportation bill, protecting the Great Lakes from the threat of Asian Carp

Leadership positions in the House of Representatives

Ranking Member of the House Committee on Rules

Member of House Democratic Leadership

Co-Chair and Founding Member of the Congressional Pro-Choice Caucus

Co-Chair of the Congressional Arts Caucus

Democratic Co-Chair of the Congressional Great Lakes Task Force

Co-Chair and Founding Member of the High-Speed and Inter City Passenger Rail Caucus