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Abortion Access and Economic Justice: Dobbs, SB8, and Beyond

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Gittis 213, Kushner Classroom

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Abortion care will always be available to those with money.

But for those who lack resources—who make up the majority of those seeking abortion services—accessing abortion care is more complicated.

Low-income people seeking abortion encounter many obstacles: lack of access to private insurance and funding through federal programs like Medicaid, extensive travel that requires funds and time off work, navigating delays required by some state laws and clinic policies, the cost of the procedure, limited access to self-managed abortion, institutionalization, and other aspects that are exacerbated by intersecting identities, including race,
The divide in abortion access for low-income families has only grown in the last two years, both because of COVID-19 and because of a growing trend by state legislatures to implement regressive policies that restrict abortion access. But those efforts have been matched by grassroots organizers who work tirelessly to ensure that care will remain available to people regardless of socioeconomic status.

If/When/How, in partnership with DALSA and ACS, presents a panel of legal experts, advocates, and organizers to discuss the issue and how they expect it to change in the next few months—which will be a dynamic time in the field of reproductive rights.

Panelists:
**Israel Cook**, State Legislative Fellow, Center for Reproductive Rights

**Thalia González**, Associate Professor of Politics Science at Occidental College and Senior Scholar, Georgetown Law (Center on Poverty and Inequality)

**Marsha Jones**, CEO and Co-Founder, The Afiya Center

Moderator:
**Serena Mayeri**, Professor of Law and History, Penn Carey Law

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