



### **Rania Batrice Biography:**

As the daughter of Palestinian immigrants, Rania has blazed a life path as a voice for the silenced. Whether it's raising up the issues of gun violence, climate change, immigration, women's issues, a just economy, or foreign policy, she fully invests her heart in every endeavor.

Like so many strong leaders, Rania knows all too well the subtle barriers for women who push hard for change and reform. She first became politically active at Austin College. As an activist and athlete, she quickly saw the need to bring people together in uniquely collaborative ways. Over time, she honed this leadership style of intersectional collaboration, recognizing that silo'd efforts never reach full fruition, while intercommunication can blossom into revolutionary results.

A true advocate for progressive change, Rania has cultivated her own unique role as an advocate, public relations specialist, consultant and leader. Rania has worked as a Democratic operative for over twenty years, lending her expertise across political, non-profit, legislative strategy and crisis management. For Bernie Sanders' 2016 run for president, she served as Iowa Communications Director, the National Director of Surrogates and then as Deputy Campaign Manager.

In addition to Rania's expertise in strategy and communications, her portfolio includes over fifteen years of experience in conflict resolution, mediation, and organizational development. Her firm, Batrice and Associates, has worked for social justice through a variety of avenues, collaborating with organizations including Our Revolution, the Arab American Institute, March for Our Lives, StudentsMarch.org, March For Science, Sunrise Movement, and the Freedom Project.

Rania has been a featured speaker for a wide range of events, including addressing climate change at the Social Good Summit, the UN Youth Climate Summit and the UN General Assembly. She also spoke on the insidious nature of domestic violence in her appearance on CBS This Morning. Rania has helped inspire young people from all walks of life to harness the power of movement building in her appearances at colleges and universities across the United States.

She's lent her expertise to many visionary organizations and projects, including the Freedom Project, March for Our Lives, Change the Ref, New American Leaders, the Arab

American Institute, StudentsMarch.org, Zero Hour, American Hemp Campaign, March for Science, the Innocence Project and Planned Parenthood.

Rania has received numerous accolades and awards for her work in the progressive movement, including the “Exceptional Women of Excellence” award presented by the World Economic Forum and the “Woman of Purpose” award presented by the Purpose Project.