The government should help you realize your rights, featuring Lourdes Rivera

Lourdes Rivera is senior vice president of US programs at the Center for Reproductive Rights. 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.

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[A Puerto Rican woman with short curly hair and glasses, wearing a black jacket over a burgundy dress, opens and closes a clapperboard and addresses the camera.]

LOURDES RIVERA: Lourdes Rivera, senior vice president of programs at the Center for Reproductive Rights, take one. What human rights means is not only that the government should leave you alone, but it also means that the government has positive obligations to help you realize your rights to be able to have the resources, the dignity, the respect, the autonomy to be able to move forward and act upon those rights.

[on-screen graphic: Ford Foundation logo]

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