**NEWSMAKERS**

**Violence Against the Transgender Community in 2019 -- Human Rights Campaign**

While the details of these cases differ, it is clear that fatal violence disproportionately affects transgender women of color, and that the intersections of racism, sexism, homophobia, transphobia and xenophobia conspire to deprive them of employment, housing, healthcare and other necessities, barriers that make them vulnerable. Read the full story [here](#).

**Gun Ownership Rates Tied to Domestic Homicides, but Not Other Killings, Study Finds -- The New York Times**

"It is women, in particular, who are bearing the burden of this increased gun ownership," the lead author of the study said. Read more [here](#). In addition, [Business Insider](#) reports that the perpetrators in over half of the US' deadliest shootings had domestic violence—not mental illness—in common. Read [here](#).

**America is the Only Rich Country Without a Law on Paid Leave for New Parents -- The Economist**

For decades paid leave was "dismissed as anti-business and marginalized as a woman's issue." That may be changing. Read the full article [here](#).

**The Devastating Consequences of Food Insecurity**

Two in three Americans will struggle to afford basic needs, even if they don't qualify for federal benefit programs like SNAP. Food insecurity, or the inability to access quality, nutritious food, have devastating consequences at all stages of life. Read [more](#) here.

**HUD Proposes Rule That Would Roll Back Protections for Transgender Homeless -- CNN**

"The HUD rule comes as the Trump administration has banned transgender recruits from joining the military, and announced a rule aimed at protecting health care workers who cite moral or religious reasons from paying for or participating in certain services, but critics say would allow LGBTQ individuals to be denied care." Read the full article [here](#).

**Toni Morrison Taught Me How to Think -- The New York Times**

"This is all to say that Toni Morrison didn’t teach me how to read. But she did teach me how to read." Read more [here](#).

**Art Restart Launches New Journal Designs -- Art Restart Blog**

Our social enterprise, [Art Restart](#), has launched three new journal designs. See the new products [here](#).