What Can We Do?

As a child, I was told that a girl can do anything a boy can do...

Except maybe write our names in the snow.

But as I’ve grown older and more familiar with the world around me,
I realize that this is not the case.
There are a few things women can’t accomplish the way men can.

Like living our lives without being sexualized and/or objectified.

Or not be mocked about our “feminine traits” in the workplace.

Act like a man or not, we still won’t be paid the same.

Or be able to pay reasonable prices for necessary items (i.e.: not luxury items).

At times like this, I wish I didn’t have female reproductive organs.
Some women **STILL** cannot have a decent education for political reasons... or because they have other responsibilities at home.

And while I’m grateful to have the opportunity to go to college, it won’t save me from creeps slipping things into my drink or being assaulted while I’m walking home alone.

Oh yeah, if you ever get lost on campus, just pull up google maps.

What if it’s late at night?

It should still work at night.

That’s not what I meant.

I forget sometimes that guys don’t typically worry about this stuff.

Must be nice.

About 1 in 5 women in college are raped. And for me, a college-age female, this statistic is absolutely terrifying.

So no, women can’t do everything men can do. Not with the playing field this uneven.
And yet, we still fight.

We fight so that we can...

Advance our society.

Lead our people.

Earn the equality and respect we deserve.

Restore justice to the world.

And we will keep fighting
Because that is something women **CAN** do.