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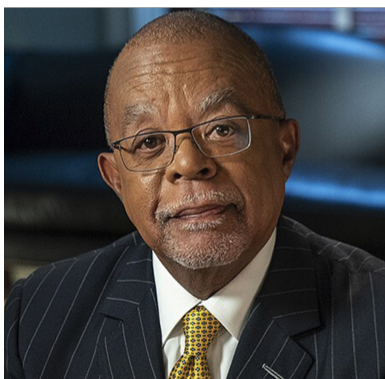
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The 2020 election and the pandemic have accelerated the polarization of the media in the United States, hardening Americans into two information silos shaped principally by partisanship. This fractured media ecosystem has serious consequences for American democracy and institutions, from national elections to decision making at City Hall.

Importantly, the one medium that can break through the partisan divide, and bring people together around a common set of facts, is local news.

The [2021 Knight Media Forum](#), taking place online, will examine how local news innovators and their supporters are responding to unprecedented times, and offer practical solutions for newsrooms and funders seeking to promote more informed and engaged communities.

What you'll learn

At the 2021 forum, you will find:

- Replicable solutions for rebuilding local journalism across the United States;
- Meaningful approaches to dismantling racism in newsrooms, and supporting owners and founders of color;
- Solutions for addressing misinformation and the world's first infodemic.

Open to all

While the forum is geared towards foundation presidents and leaders in journalism and technology, the 2021 gathering is online and open to all.

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ICYMI: Resources for further reading

- [5 reasons that 2020 was the year of nonprofit local news](#)
 - [How more philanthropists, local foundations can sustain local news](#)
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