

## We're Listening to the Voices of Voters



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**Steve,**

The votes have been certified, midterm elections are over in North Carolina, and now New Rural Project is sifting through the data. We knocked on doors and talked to folks right through Election Day, listening to rural residents and encouraging them to exercise their power through voting.

Listen to what Kenwyn (aka DJ Finesse) from Anson County had to say about the importance of voting:



Based on early indications, Hoke County's voters of color showed their turnout strength relative to other voters in the Early Voting data and that trend seems to have held up through Election Day, based on some of the results. Below are some quotes from Hoke County voters that supports the early data.

*"Voting is our number one resource that we can use when we want to get something done." - Quintin*

*"We have so many things that we want to happen in the world and it starts here with these elections." - Danice*

*"I choose to vote because without my vote, I don't have a voice and I need to have a voice in what goes on in my life and the life of my community." - Claude*

While we wait for more data, we are continuing our outreach in programs like our latest [Barbershop Conversation: Fruitful African American Discussions on Empowerment \(F.A.D.E.\)](#) that we launched on Sunday, November 13th in Union County.



**Union County F.A.D.E. Participants**

As we approach the holiday season, we are thankful for you and all the NRP supporters who have helped us get to this point in our journey. We have always said that the civic engagement work we do year round is vital and foundational to our electoral work and will ultimately increase rural voter turnout.

Please consider a donation so that we can reach even more people in 2023 and help provide them with the tools of civic engagement.

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With gratitude,

The New Rural Project Team



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