

Weekly News Recap



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Black Information Network: [NAACP Launches Town Halls To Mobilize Black Voters Ahead Of 2026 Midterms](#)

Johnson cited President Donald Trump's rollback of diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) policies, aggressive immigration raids, and budget cuts to Medicaid and food assistance as "attacks on democracy."

"We've got to strengthen community, recruit volunteers, inform each other about Donald Trump's oppressive policies, and map out local strategies that will ensure everybody gets out to vote," he said.

The Root: [NAACP Is Taking Bold Moves to Oust Trump During 2026 Midterms](#)

With Its Eyes on Trump's Midterm Defeat, The NAACP town halls are scheduled for Texas, New York, California, North Carolina, Arizona, Wisconsin, Ohio and Maryland.

The Atlanta Voice: [Church and State: Gubernatorial meet & greet takes place in Houston County](#)

What was being labeled as a "meet & greet" took place inside the New Beginnings Center on the campus of First Baptist Church. The Georgia branch of the NAACP hosted the event on Wednesday night.

The Bay State Banner: [NAACP pushes back on federal guidelines limiting DEI, free speech in classrooms](#)

The NAACP sued to stop the federal government from propagating its interpretation of civil rights law in March. Pushback was inevitable.

11Alive (local NBC): [NAACP gubernatorial forum tonight in Warner Robins will feature eight candidates for governor | Livestream](#)

Candidates running for governor next year in Georgia will get one of their first major stages to make a pitch to voters tonight in Warner Robins. The state NAACP, along with the local Houston and Bibb County chapters, are hosting a meet-and-greet forum with eight candidates, including all the leading names so far declared for the race.

TIME: ['We Are the Last of the Forgotten:' Inside the Memphis Community Battling Elon Musk's xAI](#)

Abre' Conner, the director of the Center for Environmental and Climate Justice at the NAACP, sees xAI's Memphis conflict as part of a much larger struggle. "For decades, we know that the decision to place more pollution in certain communities has disproportionately impacted Black communities and other frontline communities," she says. "And now with the data center boom, many are looking at places that have already been considered sacrifice zones."

The Tampa Bay Times: [Tampa District 5 candidates talk housing, development at NAACP forum](#)

"We need to come together, because whoever wins in this race has to represent everyone," Yvette Lewis, president of the NAACP chapter, said before the forum.

Queen City News: [Charlotte NAACP president encourages people to visit museums after Trump's comments on 'woke' history exhibits](#)

President Trump is pushing the Justice Department to review American history exhibits at the nation's museums, similar to how he's taken on so-called "woke" colleges and universities. Charlotte NAACP President and Minister Corine Mack says she isn't shocked by the comments. "What saddens me is here we are in 2025, and the work that the NAACP has done for all 116 years is being rolled back — in fact, we are the ones who did the hard work to give everyone the right to live and have a good quality of life, and we're still on the front lines doing that work," she said.

The Paducah Sun: [Paducah-McCracken NAACP outlines path forward after Aug. 9 tragedy](#)

The Paducah-McCracken County NAACP released a statement Monday regarding steps forward the community can take in the wake of the Aug. 9 shooting that claimed one woman's life and injured two others.

Black Enterprise: [NAACP NY President L. Joy Williams Honors Harlem Week And Carrying Dr. Hazel Dukes' Legacy](#)

L. Joy Williams steps into big shoes as the new president of the NAACP New York State Conference. As she carries the [legacy of the late Dr. Hazel Dukes](#), Williams enters the leadership role committed to fostering intergenerational connections with the nation's oldest and largest civil rights organization.

The Savannah Tribune: [Savannah Branch NAACP To Host Area Law Enforcement](#)

On Sunday, August 24, 2025 at 4 PM, the Savannah Branch NAACP will host Law Enforcement Officials during its General/Mass Meeting. The meeting will be held at Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church, located at 1008 May Street, with Reverend Paul E. Smith, Pastor.

NAACP NEWS AND UPDATES

- [LDF, NAACP File Amicus Brief Calling for Justice in Sentencing Disparities Before the Supreme Court](#)
- [Whitewashing Slavery? Not on Nikole Hannah-Jones' Watch](#)

HURRICANE KATRINA AT 20



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For the 20th Anniversary of Katrina, we're equipping NAACP branches and state conferences with the tools and partnerships to better prepare for, respond to, and recover from climate disasters—centering Black communities' lived experiences and leadership.

Wednesday, August 27 | 10am - 3pm
A NAACP Community Training for "Ready People, Resilient Future"
 Xavier University at Admin Auditorium, New Orleans, Louisiana

Screening of Hurricane Katrina: Race Against Time with Malik Rahim | 2pm
 Xavier University at Admin Auditorium, New Orleans, Louisiana

Thursday, August 28 | 6pm - 10pm
Convening and Reception
 The Almanett Bistro, Gulfport MS

Friday, August 29 | 10am - 11:30am
Power in the Storm – A Policy Framework for Climate-Related Disasters Panel– Report Release
 Tent 1 at Armstrong Park, New Orleans, Louisiana

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August 29, 2025, marks the 20th Anniversary of Hurricane Katrina, which changed the trajectory regarding how people viewed disaster relief, resilience, and equity within communities. It was one of the worst natural disasters in history, with an estimated \$170 billion in losses and at least 1,700 deaths. Nearly 1.2 million people from the affected area were displaced in a region stretching from Florida to Ohio.

Join us in Gulfport, MS, and New Orleans, LA, as we provide tools and knowledge to help prepare for, respond to, and recover from climate-related disasters in ways that center Black communities.

[Learn More](#)

FIERCE ADVOCACY IN ACTION TOWN HALLS



Join the NAACP for the [Fierce Advocacy in Action Town Halls](#), a series rooted in Black resistance and grounded in the NAACP's vision for political accountability and justice today.

In cities across the country, we'll tackle urgent issues like healthcare, education, food access, and environmental justice.

Together, we'll amplify local voices, demand accountability from leaders, and build momentum for the 2026 midterm elections.

[Register now for an event coming to a city near you and stay tuned as more dates will be announced soon.](#)

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PROTECT OUR VOTING RIGHTS

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Every voice matters. Every vote counts. But without strong protections in place, access to fair voting is at risk for millions across our nation.

We need lawmakers to advance the [John R. Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act](#) (JLVRAA), recently reintroduced by Senators Raphael Warnock (D-GA) and Dick Durbin (D-IL). Named after civil rights icon John Lewis, this critical piece of legislation was designed to restore and strengthen protections against voter discrimination that were eroded by the Supreme Court in 2013.

[Read more and join us in urging Congress to pass this critical piece of legislation.](#)

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