

Weekly News Recap



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NBC News: [NAACP sues Missouri over Republican-led redistricting push](#)

The Missouri-chapter of the NAACP sued Republican state leaders today to block a legislative special session to redraw new congressional maps that further favor the GOP.

The Kansas City Star: [NAACP sues to block Missouri governor's 'unconstitutional' gerrymandering plan](#)

The [Missouri chapter of the NAACP](#) on Wednesday sued to block a Republican attempt to [gerrymander](#) the state's congressional map. The [lawsuit](#), filed in Cole County, marks the first legal challenge aimed at halting a special legislative session designed to [carve up the Kansas City region](#) and [overhaul the state's initiative petition process](#).

KRCG: [NAACP sues to stop Missouri Legislature's special session on redistricting](#)

The NAACP has sued to stop the special session on redistricting. The lawsuit was filed against Missouri Governor Mike Kehoe, Missouri Attorney General Andrew Bailey, Missouri Senate President Pro Tem Cindy O'Laughlin, and Speaker of the Missouri House Jon Patterson.

KMIZ: [NAACP sues to stop special session on redistricting](#)

The Missouri NAACP is suing Gov. Mike Kehoe to stop a special session on congressional redistricting, arguing that the move is unconstitutional and racially motivated.

KMBC: [NAACP lawsuit challenges Missouri governor's special session on redistricting, ballot measures](#)

The Missouri NAACP and two Missouri residents filed a lawsuit Wednesday seeking to block Gov. Mike Kehoe's call for a special legislative session. The lawsuit argues that the governor exceeded his constitutional authority.

KMOV: [NAACP sues to stop Mo. legislature special session over redistricting](#)

The NAACP has sued Missouri Governor Mike Kehoe for calling a [special session](#) of the legislature to redraw Congressional district lines.

The lawsuit was filed in Cole County, Mo. Wednesday and alleges that Kehoe overstepped his authority in calling the special session.

KCTV: [NAACP, MO residents sue to block special session on redistricting](#)

The Missouri NAACP and two Missouri residents filed a lawsuit to prevent lawmakers from convening for a [special legislative session](#) to redraw congressional lines. The lawsuit argues that Gov. Mike Kehoe's actions when he called the special session are unconstitutional.

The Tech Buzz: [NAACP Issues 'Alert' to Big Tech Over AI Data Center Impact](#)

The NAACP is putting the tech industry "on alert" with new guiding principles demanding accountability from companies building AI data centers.

The Verge: [Tech companies 'be on alert,' NAACP says with new guiding principles for data centers](#)

"It allows for tech companies to be on alert," Abre' Conner, director of the Center for Environmental and Climate Justice at the NAACP, tells The Verge. "That if they do not meet our demands as it relates to the guiding principles, that if we move into other forms of advocacy including filing litigation, that there shouldn't be any shock or question as to why we're doing that."

The Grio: [Trump sees 'biggest financial success' after earning \\$6 billion in new crypto venture. Critics blast it as unethical](#)

NAACP President Derrick Johnson told theGrio, "The Trump family's crypto windfall is not innovation, it's privilege. Period." He added, "While working communities across this nation fight daily for economic security, political power is leveraged to make the rich richer. We demand an economy that works for all of us — not just the wealthy few."

Memphis Flyer: [NAACP Works With Local Environmental Groups To Create Data Center Framework](#)

"We're going to hold individuals and companies and agencies accountable if they are indeed allowing for there to be more pollution that's unregulated in communities," Abre' Conner, director of the center for environmental and climate justice at NAACP, said this week.

NAACP NEWS AND UPDATES

- [NAACP Files Lawsuit to Block Missouri's Unconstitutional Special Session Threatening Black Voters](#)
- [NAACP, ECJ Advocates Release Guiding Principles to Protect Frontline Communities from Dirty Data Centers](#)
- [NAACP and Singleton Schreiber Announce Official Partnership to Pursue Justice for Sickle Cell Patients Harmed by Pfizer's Oxbryta](#)
- [Hey, Black America: Protecting Black voters and Black lives](#)

NAACP SEPTEMBER WEBINARS

A promotional graphic for NAACP September Webinars. It features a woman with braids smiling at a laptop. The background is dark blue with yellow brushstroke accents. The text is white and yellow.

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SEPTEMBER
WEBINARS

This September, we are hosting a powerful lineup of webinars to equip our communities with the tools, knowledge, and strategies needed to drive change. Mark your calendars and register today to join us in advancing our collective work.

Tuesday, September 9 | 7pm

BUILDING A HEALTHIER FUTURE: DESIGNING AI FOR HEALTH EQUITY
Explore how artificial intelligence is shaping health outcomes in our communities, the opportunities it presents, and the imperatives for health equity.

Tuesday, September 16 | 8pm

DEFENDING DEMOCRACY TOGETHER (COMMUNITY CALL)
Join the NAACP for a national action webinar connecting federal threats to state and local organizing. Hear from national leaders and experts on protecting voting rights, combating disinformation, and mobilizing communities ahead of the midterm elections.

Thursday, September 18 | 7pm

VETERAN AFFAIRS KICKOFF TRAINING
The NAACP Armed Services & Veterans Affairs team invites you to a high-impact webinar equipping Black and Brown veterans, family members, and advocates to protect hard-won benefits amid escalating budget and policy threats. We'll share tools from our ASVA "Project 2025" toolkit and provide strategies to organize through Veterans Day.

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This month, we're bringing the heat with a dynamic webinar series packed with the tools, insights, and strategies you need to spark real change.

Don't wait! Save your spot today, and let's drive progress together!

RSVP NOW:

September 9: [Building a Healthier Future: Designing AI for Health Equity](#)

[Click here to register.](#)

September 16: [Defending Democracy Together \(Community Call\)](#)

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September 18: [Veteran Affairs Kickoff Training](#)

[Click here to register.](#)

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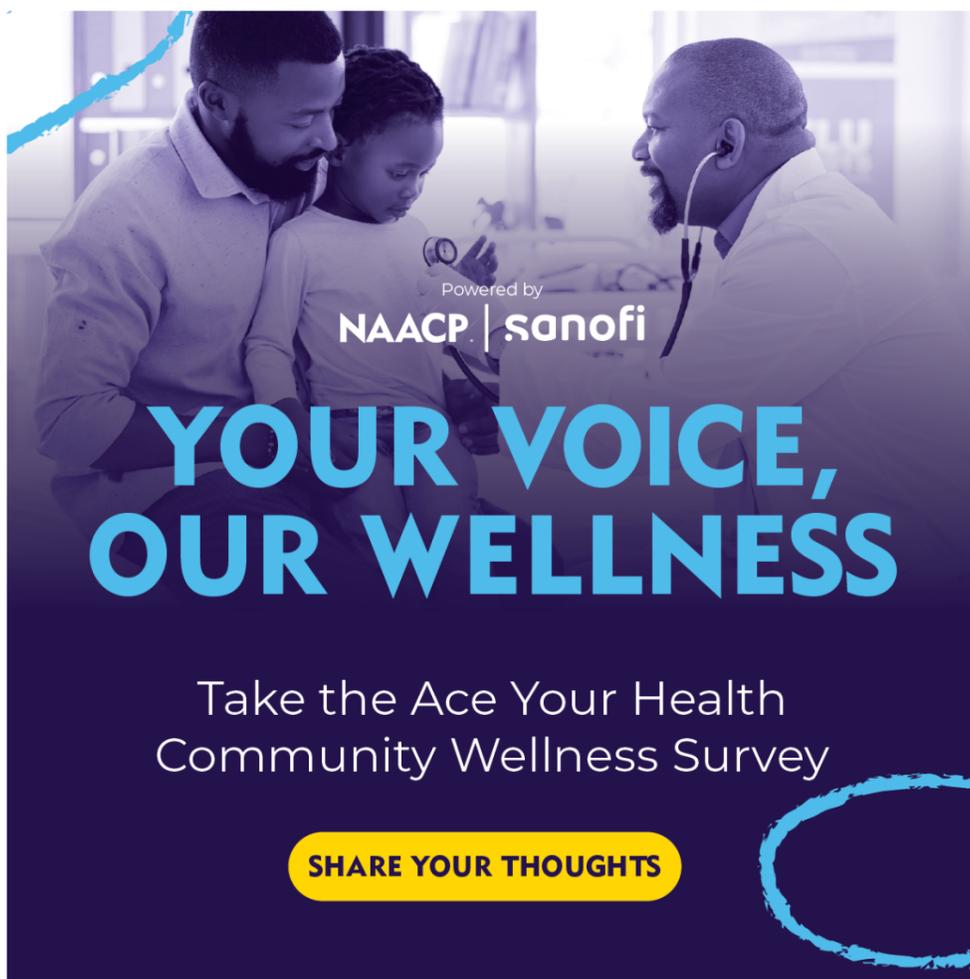
The latest jobs report revealed a sharp rise in the Black unemployment rate, jumping to 7.2%, the highest in nearly five years. By comparison, the overall U.S. rate is 4.2%, exposing a widening gap that continues to leave Black workers behind.

Behind these numbers are real families bearing the weight of massive federal job cuts—impacting Black women most—and the rollback of diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) programs that once opened doors to opportunity.

We're calling on the White House and Congress to act now to protect Black jobs and build pathways to equity. [Add your name to demand action.](#)

[Sign the Pledge](#)

ACE YOUR HEALTH



We're in the final stretch. The [ACE Your Health Community Wellness Survey](#) closes on **Tuesday, September 30 at 11:59 p.m. ET.**

For months, we've been gathering stories about the barriers our communities face, whether it's the cost of care, lack of access to essential services, or the daily stressors that impact overall health. Your voice matters in shaping the policies and resources that will respond to these challenges.

If you haven't yet, take a few minutes to complete the survey and encourage friends and family to do the same. Together, we can turn lived experiences into real change.

[Complete the Survey](#)

COMMUNITY GUIDING PRINCIPLES



Data centers are rising fast and so is the pollution from their operations in frontline and fenceline neighborhoods. In fact, many of the centers are in places that are already sacrifice zones for existing industrial pollution.

The [Frontline Framework Community Data Center Guiding Principles](#) bring together community voices, environmental and climate justice framing, and the Jemez Principles for Democratic Organizing with

the 17 Principles of Environmental Justice as a foundation. They offer a unifying guide for organizers and communities fighting harmful data centers or building cleaner alternatives.

[Learn more & sign on for your community.](#)

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.

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