

NAACP WEEKLY NEWS RECAP



MSNBC: [America made a promise after George Floyd's murder that Congress hasn't kept](#)

By Derrick Johnson, president and CEO of the NAACP

George Floyd was a father. A friend. A human. And his life mattered. His murder was a tragedy. But it also revealed a truth. A truth that, for too long, too many in this nation have chosen to ignore: Police brutality against Black people is real, and it is systemic.

BBC News: [Five Years Since the Murder of George Floyd](#)

VIDEO: Patrice Willoughby, Chief of Policy and Legislative Affairs for the NAACP, joined BBC on May 25, 2025 to discuss the legacy of George Floyd five years after his murder and the lack of meaningful police reform.

CNN: [Five Years After George Floyd's Murder, Still No Police Reform](#)

VIDEO: Dominik Whitehead, Chief of Field, Membership Growth and Unit Sustainability for the NAACP, joined CNN on March 25, 2025, to discuss the legacy of George Floyd five years after his murder.

Reuters: [Five years after George Floyd's murder, racial justice push continues](#)

“(George Floyd) was a realization by many across the country that this open murder was something that was not only appalling but it brought full circle the question of the treatment of Black people, particularly Black males, in this country,” said NAACP President Derrick Johnson. “But the other side of that story is there is an unfortunate fatigue in this country.”

CBS News: [Family of child called racist slurs in Rochester speaks out, NAACP reiterates calls for charges](#)

On Thursday, the Rochester NAACP released the statement of the family while also calling for “swift and transparent legal action” due to the incident.

KCCI: [Community activists feel emotional shift 5 years after the murder of George Floyd](#)

The NAACP says it's hopeful on moving forward toward justice and away from systemic racism, like biased policing.

Tallahassee Democrat (USA Today network): [National NAACP asks to meet with FSU president on 'racial divide' and 'acts of hatred'](#)

[From racist views](#) previously espoused by the student gunman of a recent campus mass shooting to hard-right commentator [Charlie Kirk's visit](#) to the university and a former [student's social media slur against Black students](#), NAACP President and CEO Derrick Johnson along with other leaders within the association wrote a May 21 letter to FSU President Richard McCullough requesting a meeting to discuss FSU's “failure” to “adequately address the problems of racism and violence on campus.”

WSB-TV: [Metro Atlanta communities gather to pray, celebrate life of George Floyd, 5 years after his death](#)

The state president of Georgia's NAACP, Gerald Grigg, had this petition: that diversity, equity, and inclusion be celebrated as a strength.

MassLive: [In Springfield, a vigil to remember George Floyd and to urge](#)

[protection of eroding reforms](#)

“That moment that we had in 2020, we need that again,” said Bishop Talbert W. Swan II, president of the Greater Springfield NAACP and pastor of the Spring of Hope Church of God in Christ, at the vigil on Boston Road Sunday.

ABC6: [Rochester wants more action on systemic racism 5 years after death of George Floyd](#)

President of the Rochester branch of the NAACP, Walé Elegbede said people know the issues exist, and now need to put action toward addressing them.

Missouri Independent: [NAACP lawsuit accuses Missouri AG of illegally withholding info on police vehicle stops](#)

A new lawsuit filed by the Missouri NAACP accuses Missouri Attorney General Andrew Bailey of failing to follow state law last year when the [annual vehicle stops report](#) omitted data that shows whether minority motorists are being stopped more frequently than white drivers.

The St. Louis American: [NAACP calls for insurance action, transparency](#)

With up to 70% of affected households being uninsured following the May 16, 2025, tornado, the city NAACP chapter is calling for intense scrutiny of insurance company practices as families, churches and business owners desperately try to recover.

NAACP NEWS AND UPDATES

- [NAACP Reflects on Tulsa Race Massacre of “Black Wall Street”](#)
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Millions of Americans are at risk as critical programs like Medicaid and SNAP face major cuts. While the House of Representatives has passed a tax bill benefiting corporations and the wealthiest, these cuts threaten health care, food assistance, and benefits for seniors, veterans, and people with disabilities.

The Senate has the power to protect these vital lifelines. [Contact your senators today and demand they prioritize people over profits.](#)

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OUR CULTURE, OUR STORIES PODCAST



Step into the world of Black excellence, creativity, and activism with [Our Culture, Our Stories](#) — the official NAACP Image Awards Podcast Series. Bringing the spirit of the Image Awards all year round, this podcast is your go-to space for unfiltered, inspiring conversations with today's most influential actors, musicians, authors, activists, and civic leaders.

🌟 **New Episodes** 🌟



[Ep. 13 - Joe Morton](#): Emmy-winning actor **Joe Morton** joins us for a powerful conversation on navigating Hollywood as a Black actor, advocating for your worth, and the importance of community recognition like the NAACP Image Awards.



[Ep. 12 - Dawn Porter](#): In this inspiring episode, award-winning filmmaker **Dawn Porter** shares how documentary film became her language for truth, justice, and connection. With a career rooted in purpose, Dawn reflects on how storytelling can dismantle stereotypes, open hearts, and drive social change.

Watch & Listen: [Our Culture, Our Stories on the NAACP+ YouTube channel](#).

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116TH NAACP NATIONAL CONVENTION

The graphic features a stylized background with a black and white abstract shape on the left, a yellow swoosh, and a green and red diagonal stripe on the right. The text is centered and reads: "NAACP THE FIERCE URGENCY OF NOW" in a mix of black and red fonts. Below this, it says "116TH NAACP NATIONAL CONVENTION" in small black text. The main headline is "READY TO WORK?" in large red letters, followed by "Registration is Now Open" in bold black. A paragraph of text follows: "The time to fight for people, progress, and power is now. Changemakers, creatives, and cultural leaders are coming together to meet the urgency of advancing the Black agenda." At the bottom, two white boxes with yellow borders contain the dates "JULY 12-16 Charlotte, NC" and the call to action "REGISTER NOW at naacp.org/convention".

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Registration is now open for the [116th NAACP National Convention](#). Secure your spot today and join us **July 12–16, 2025**, in **Charlotte, North Carolina**. This is a pivotal opportunity to confront the challenges of our time, celebrate Black brilliance, and unite for the critical work ahead.

[Housing reservations are now open](#) through our official partner, Maritz. We encourage you to reserve your accommodations early for the best rates and availability. Hotel reservation deadlines begin **June 15, 2025**.

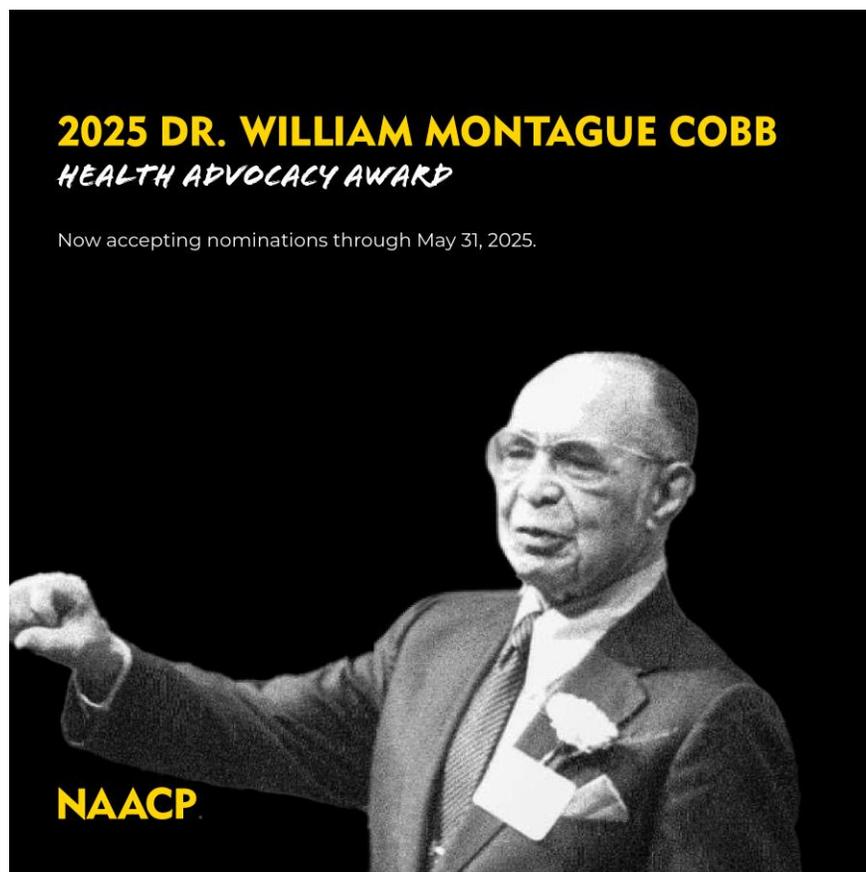
We're offering [special travel discounts](#) through Delta, United, and Southwest Airlines. And if you're flying to Charlotte, don't forget to make

sure your ID is [REAL ID ready](#). Visit our website to learn more and plan your trip at naacp.org/convention.

[Stay tuned for more details](#) about programming and featured speakers. Thank you for your continued support as we drive progress and build a brighter future.

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2025 DR. WILLIAM MONTAGUE COBB AWARD



The Dr. William Montague Cobb Award was established to honor individuals and organizations that have made a significant impact in the field of health in recognition of the extraordinary social justice advocacy and legacy of Dr. William Montague Cobb, who served as the President of the NAACP from 1976 to 1983.

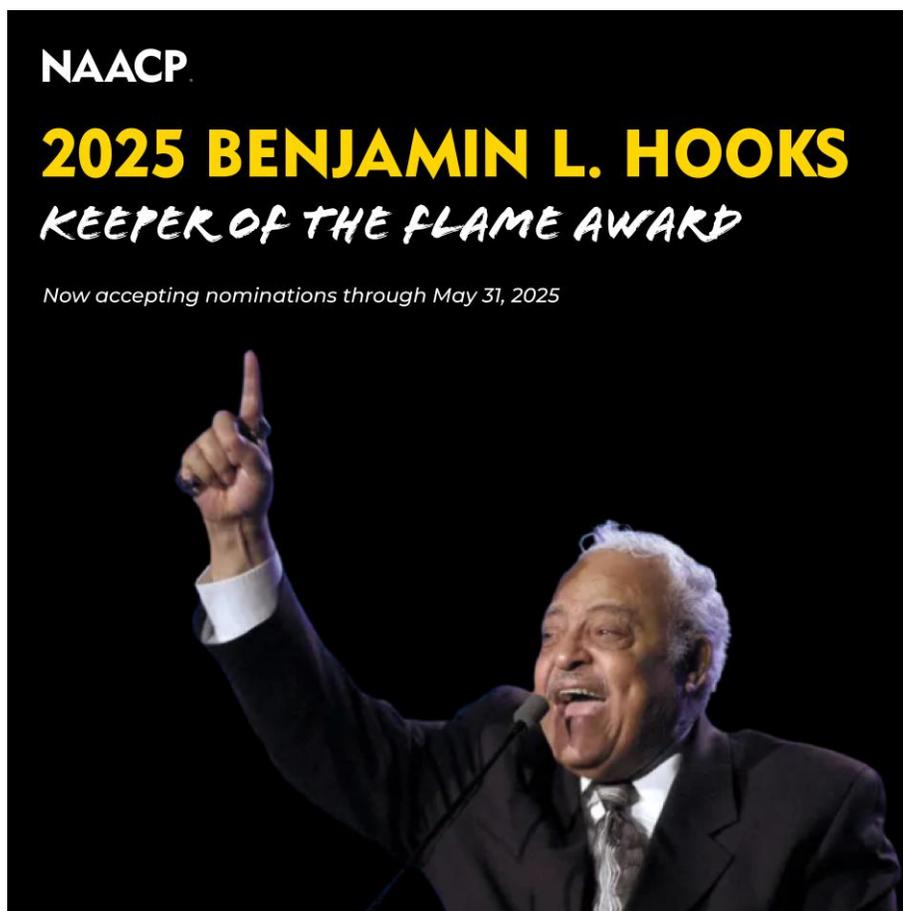
This award is presented annually to a national figure, state health committee

chair, and/or local individual to recognize special achievements in Health and Social Justice Advocacy, Health Education and Promotion, and/or Health Fundraising and Research.

Submit your nominations to recognize the contributions of the trailblazers working toward health equity for Black people across the nation today by **May 31, 2025**.

[Submit Now](#)

2025 BENJAMIN L. HOOKS “KEEPER OF THE FLAME” AWARD



The Keeper of the Flame Award was established in 1992 in honor of the late Benjamin Lawson Hooks, the fifth Executive Director of the NAACP (1977-1992). This award recognizes individuals who demonstrate exceptional service in advancing the objectives of the NAACP and the labor movement.

Submit your nominations to recognize the contributions of the trailblazers leading racial equity efforts in the labor movement by **May 31, 2025**.

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