

NAACP WEEKLY NEWS RECAP



COURIER: [NAACP has trained an 1,700+ army of voting rights experts and advocates ahead of 2025 elections](#)

EXCLUSIVE: Ahead of the 2025 elections in states like California, New Jersey, Virginia, and more, the NAACP has assembled and trained an army of 1,700+ voting rights advocates to ensure a free and fair election.

Here's Why: [NAACP Launches Radio Ads to Encourage Black Voters in California to Vote Yes on Prop 50](#)

Last year, the NAACP warned the country about the impact of Project 2025 and a second Trump administration. Today, the organization is fighting Trump's agenda all across the country, including the gerrymandering of maps in states like Texas and Missouri—two states with large Black populations.

ABC8: [Virginia NAACP backs Dems' redistricting push ahead of 2026 midterm elections](#)

The [Virginia NAACP](#) is backing redistricting plans to redraw the state's congressional maps, citing the protection of Black voters' representation and American democracy.

CBS19 NEWS: [NAACP denies endorsing any candidate in governor's race](#)

"Whomever they are, whatever gender they are, whatever race they are, whatever religion they are, whatever creed they are, we do not endorse political candidates," said the Rev. Dr. Cozy Bailey, president of NAACP Virginia State Conference.

ABC News: ['Keep your hands off Tish': NAACP rep responds to charges against NY AG](#)

VIDEO: Joy Williams, president of NAACP New York State Conference, said she was planning a rally to support New York Attorney General Letitia James.

PIX11: [NAACP holds rally in support of New York Attorney General Letitia James](#)

The NAACP held a rally on Sunday in Brooklyn in support of [New York Attorney General Letitia James](#), days after being arraigned on federal charges. Letitia James spoke to supporters, making it clear she's fighting back, saying, "I want to thank all of you for having my back because I didn't elect a king and I don't bow to a king."

TheGrio: [Letitia James says she has 'no fear' after pleading not guilty in case prosecuted by Trump](#)

NAACP President Derrick Johnson pointed out a specific pattern of Black women being on the receiving end of Trump's revenge against who he often calls "radical" liberals. "From Lisa Cook of the Federal Reserve, to Gwynne Wilcox of the National Labor Relations Board, Carla Hayden from the Library of Congress, and now Tish James, Trump has repeatedly targeted Black women in positions of power. But let's be clear — the facts and the law are on Tish James' side," Johnson said in a statement.

The Carolina Journal: [NAACP to add new NC congressional map to existing lawsuit](#)

The North Carolina NAACP and Common Cause seek to challenge North Carolina's new congressional map as part of an existing lawsuit that went to trial this summer.

ACLU: [North Carolina State Conference of the NAACP v. Berger](#)

Black voters, the North Carolina State Conference of the NAACP, and Common Cause sued to enjoin that congressional plan because it discriminates against Black voters. A trial on the merits of those claims concluded earlier this year.

The Observer: [Q&A: Why the NAACP Is Suing Edison Over the Eaton Fire](#)

The NAACP and Singleton Schreiber say their joint effort aims not only to hold Edison accountable but also to ensure that vulnerable and historically underserved communities receive fair access to recovery resources and compensation.

Gainesville Sun (USA Today Network): [NAACP gala in Gainesville focuses on fighting injustice and inequality right now](#)

The importance of working to make things better right now was on display at this year's NAACP Alachua County branch Freedom Fund Banquet.

ABC20: [Alachua County NAACP, the Visionaires hosts town hall meeting to discuss GRU referendum](#)

Members of Alachua County NAACP and the Visionaires are hosting a town hall meeting on Tuesday to discuss the upcoming November referendum.

Royal Examiner: [Youngkin Petitions Virginia Supreme Court Amid NAACP's Challenge Over Voting Rights Restorations](#)

In response to Youngkin's petition, lawyers for the NAACP countered that the fees are a minor part of the larger issue their lawsuit is trying to address: whether the administration skirted Virginia Freedom of Information Act rules concerning their inquiry into how the administration handles voter rights restoration.

NAACP NEWS AND UPDATES

- [NAACP Backs Virginia Redistricting Effort to Protect Black Representation and Defend Democracy](#)
 - [In Final Week Until Election Day, NAACP Launches \\$150,000 California Radio Ad Campaign in Support of Prop 50](#)
 - [NAACP Refutes False Claims of VA Governor Endorsement](#)
 - [NAACP Files Amicus Brief to Protect Federal Funding for Black Students in Virginia](#)
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ELECTION DAY



Next Tuesday, November 4, we head to the polls, knowing that our vote is the key to shaping a better future for Black Americans. From healthcare and education to justice reform, the issues that matter most to our community are on the ballot. Together, we can demand equitable solutions and make our voices heard.

Need help voting?

Visit naacp.org/vote to explore key issues and candidates so you can vote with confidence, verify your registration status, learn how to report an issue at the polls, and more.

Thank you for standing with us to protect democracy. Your vote matters!

Ready. Set. Vote!

GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN 101

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MONEY FOR BOMBING BOATS ✓

MONEY FOR BALLROOMS ✓

MONEY FOR ICE AGENTS ✓

MONEY FOR SNAP BENEFITS ✗

MONEY FOR HEALTHCARE ✗

MONEY FOR WIC ✗

The federal government shutdown has stretched on for 30 days, leaving nearly a million federal workers without pay and disrupting critical programs like SNAP, Medicaid, housing assistance, and HBCU funding.

If you've been impacted, support is available. You may qualify for **emergency grants, no-interest loans, or unemployment benefits**. Reach out to your credit union or lender for flexible payment options, and explore trusted resources like:

- [FEEA.org](https://www.feea.org): Emergency grants and loans for federal employees
- [ABA.com](https://www.aba.com) and [MDCCCUA.org](https://www.mdcccu.org): Financial assistance and relief programs
- [USA.gov](https://www.usa.gov): Updates on federal and community programs
- [NELP.org](https://www.nelp.org): Guidance on unemployment benefits

Stay informed, protect your finances, and make your voice heard. Congress must fund affordable healthcare and get our government back to work.

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ART, POWER & DEMOCRACY

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THE FIERCE URGENCY OF NOW
TOWN HALL
Art, Power & Democracy

Join artists, organizers, and community leaders as we explore how creative expression and collective action can strengthen democracy, advance economic justice, and ensure every voice is heard at the ballot box.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2025 | 6:30-8:30 P.M. PT

 DR. NI-QUARTELA QUARTEY Journalist & Author	 PHAEDRA JACKSON Vice President of Advocacy & Unit Effectiveness NAACP	 DR. JON CARROLL Head of School Jabali Academy	 NAEEMI ODEBO CARROLL Writer & Producer	 REV. DR. JAMES M. THOMAS President San Fernando Valley NAACP Branch
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REGISTER TODAY [NAACP.ORG/EVENTS](https://naacp.org/events)

Explore the intersection of art, democracy, and economic justice at the [NAACP's Fierce Urgency of Now Town Hall: Art, Power & Democracy](#).

We'll dive into the critical implications of Prop 50 and the transformative role of artists in driving civic engagement. This town hall will feature influential voices from policy, art, and community leadership.



Sunday, November 2, 2025 | 6:30-8:30 p.m. PT



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CRISIS CONVERSATION:

THE HUMAN COST OF THE GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN

When the government shuts down, workers and families pay the price. Join us for a deep dive into the power struggles, paycheck disruptions, and political games threatening America's workforce. This urgent discussion will unpack how shutdown politics are being weaponized to weaken organized labor, destabilize public services, and silence the very people who keep our nation running. Together, we'll explore what solidarity and action look like when labor is on the line.

 DERRICK JOHNSON President & CEO, NAACP	 ROBIN WILLIAMS Chair, NAACP National Labor Committee	 CLAUDE CUMMINGS President, CWA	 APPOLLOS BAKER Community Liaison, AFGE
 KYRU CRYMES National Civic Engagement Director, SEIU	 KENNY DIGGS Assistant Political Director, AFSCME	 MARIE RATTIGAN National Field Organizer, Youth & College, NAACP	 KETURAH BUTLER-REED National Training and Campaign Manager, Youth & College Division, NAACP

MONDAY, NOV. 3 | 7:00 PM ET
RSVP AT NAACP.ORG/EVENTS

Government shutdowns hit workers and families the hardest.

Join us for "[Crisis Conversation: The Human Cost of the Government Shutdown](#)," an urgent discussion on the political power struggles and games, paycheck disruptions, and attacks on organized labor that threaten America's workforce. We'll examine how shutdowns are weaponized to destabilize public services and silence the people who keep our nation

running, and explore how solidarity and action can fight back.



When: Monday, November 3, 2025 | 7 p.m. ET



Where: [Zoom](#)

[View our list of speakers](#)

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THE PEOPLE'S PARTY

PRESENTED BY **CIVICS IS SEXY** + **NAACP** **THE PEOPLE'S PARTY** LOS ANGELES
A Festival of Art + Action

A two-day fusion of film, art, and music, advancing civic learning and action – allied with a united front of justice and media organizations.

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Co-presented by the NAACP and Civics Is Sexy, [The People's Party](#) is a powerful two-day

festival that fuses art, culture, and civic purpose.

Through film, music, and storytelling, it makes civic knowledge accessible, engaging, and actionable, amplifying the NAACP's enduring commitment to equity, political rights, and social inclusion.

Together, we're building a cultural movement that inspires participation, advances justice, and reminds us that democracy thrives when everyone has the tools and the creativity to take part.

Early Bird discounts are available now! [Learn more and register today.](#)

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Our Health is
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Tell Congress:
NO healthcare. NO vote.

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While the federal government remains shut down, the health and well-being of millions of Americans hang in the balance. Let us be clear: Healthy people = a healthy country. There can be no funding that doesn't protect healthcare.

We're calling on Congress to:



Pass a funding bill that protects affordable healthcare for ALL Americans.



Reopen the government ASAP.

Join us in urging lawmakers to put the well-being of the American people first.

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