

# NAACP WEEKLY NEWS RECAP



**CNN:** [NAACP launches “Dry ICE” campaign to cut DHS funding](#)

VIDEO: CNN News Central’s Sara Sidner speaks with NAACP President Derrick Johnson about the civil rights group’s new campaign aiming to curb funding for the Department of Homeland Security until key changes are made.

**CBS News:** [LULAC joins NAACP in Minneapolis to call for federal accountability in Operation Metro Surge](#)

“The United States Senate needs to vote no on any funding that will go to ICE,” said Dominic Whitehead, chief of field for the NAACP.

**TheGrio:** [Trump administration raids Fulton County, Georgia election office: ‘Dangerous escalation’](#)

“Despite Trump’s lies about voter fraud in Georgia, judges across the country and even

his own attorney general found no evidence. So now he sends in his goons to raid election offices? This is what a weak, sore loser does,” said NAACP President Derrick Johnson.

**The Washington Post:** [Another shutdown on the horizon?](#)

The NAACP, LULAC, Common Cause and League of Women Voters called for Homeland Security Secretary Kristi L. Noem’s ouster and a moratorium on ICE operations.

**Fox 9 Minneapolis:** [Minneapolis shooting: LULAC, NAACP leaders visit Alex Pretti memorial](#)

VIDEO: The leaders of the League of United Latin American Citizens and NAACP were in Minnesota on Tuesday and visited the memorial site of Alex Pretti, the Minneapolis resident shot and killed by a Border Patrol agent on Saturday.

**The New York Times:** [‘No Win’ for Minneapolis Police Caught Between Trump and City Residents](#)

Cynthia Wilson, president of the Minneapolis branch of the NAACP, said she believes many people by now understand the difference between local police and federal agents.

**The Wall Street Journal:** [For Minneapolis Police Chief, a Federal Crisis and a Fight for Local Trust](#)

“Someday, we have to go back to fighting, but right now, there’s an enemy in the territory and we all need to band together. That is the type of energy I’ve been seeing,” said Leslie Redmond, who was president of the Minneapolis NAACP during the George Floyd upheaval.

**13NewsNow:** [NAACP Virginia strongly opposes proposed ICE facilities in Hanover, Stafford counties](#)

The NAACP Virginia State Conference has issued a strong denunciation of federal government plans that could bring U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) detention facilities to the Commonwealth, particularly in Hanover and Stafford Counties. ... “There is no place for ICE or detention centers in Virginia,” said Rev. Cozy Bailey, President of the NAACP Virginia State Conference. “The tactics of ICE are unconstitutional and undermine the very fabric of our communities.”

**The Breakfast Club:** [NAACP President Responds To Ye’s Apology To The Black & Jewish Communities](#)

On Tuesday night, January 27, Derrick Johnson, the president and CEO of the NAACP, reacted to the apology that the rapper formerly known as Kanye West issued earlier this week. In his statement to The Breakfast Club’s Loren LoRosa, Johnson acknowledged Ye’s attempt to take accountability for his actions. He also urged the embattled artist to “use his platform to advocate for additional federal and private mental health support” as

he continues to heal from his past manic episodes.

**TIME: Abre' Conner Is Helping Communities Defend Their Environmental Rights**

Now the director of the Center for Environmental and Climate Justice at the NAACP, Conner has spent her career pushing for long-term systemic changes. In 2022, she testified before the House Committee on Homeland Security on how Mississippi's state government intentionally withheld resources from Jackson, helping secure over \$600 million in funding to address the water crisis impacting more than 150,000 residents. She's also worked with organizations in central California to advocate for a state-level buffer zone to prevent the use of toxic pesticides around schools.

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## NAACP NEWS AND UPDATES

- [NAACP Launches National 'DRY ICE' Campaign Urging U.S. Senate to Block Federal Funding for ICE](#)
  - [NAACP Announces MOU with the African American Mayors Association to Advance Civil Rights and Strengthen Communities](#)
  - [NAACP Denounces Wild Goose Hunt Raid of Fulton County Elections Office](#)
  - [NAACP Applauds Senate for Blocking Bill that includes DHS, ICE Funding](#)
  - [NAACP Environmental Climate Justice Lead Abre' Conner Named to TIME's Prestigious 2026 The Closers List](#)
  - [NAACP Statement on the Public Federal Execution in Minnesota and the Urgent Call to Mobilize](#)
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## DRY ICE



The actions of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) have created fear and confusion in communities across the country. We have seen this harm play out in cities like Minneapolis, Los Angeles, and Washington, D.C. Real people are being hurt, families are torn apart, and communities are living in fear.

Across the country, people are speaking out and organizing for accountability.

**Now, we want to hear from you. What has ICE's presence meant for you or your community? Your story matters, and sharing it helps build the movement to end this abuse of power.**

[Share Your Story](#)

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## 57TH NAACP IMAGE AWARDS



Voting is now open for the [57th NAACP Image Awards](#), which will air live on BET on Saturday, February 28, 2026, with host Deon Cole.

Join us as we honor the artists, storytellers, and visionaries shaping culture across film, TV, music, and literature.

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## TIME HONORS ABRE' CONNER

# TIME THE CLOSERS



**2026 HONOREE**

Join us in congratulating NAACP's own Abre' Conner, Esq., Director of Environmental and Climate Justice, on her inclusion in TIME's 2026 Closers, an annual list recognizing extraordinary leaders working to close racial equity gaps and create a better future.

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## BETTER HEALTH, BROTHERHOOD, AND BRUNCH

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# BETTER HEALTH, BROTHERHOOD, + BRUNCH

Join the NAACP Center for Health Equity and Emerging 100 of Atlanta at The Gathering Spot for an exclusive men's health and wellness brunch. This impactful conversation will bring together community leaders and national voices to discuss prevention, mental and physical well-being, and actionable strategies for healthier lives.



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O. BUCKLEY**

Head of Public Health,  
CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield



**DR. DARRELL  
GRAY, II**

President and CEO,  
Wellpoint Maryland



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Neuro Spine



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**DR. TONY  
PRICE JR.**

Senior Fellow, Center for  
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## SATURDAY, JANUARY 31

BRUNCH 11AM | PROGRAM 12PM

### The Gathering Spot

384 Northyards Blvd NW | Building 100, Suite 190 | Atlanta, GA 30313

*Parking Gate Code: 201610*

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Are you in or near the ATL area? Join the NAACP Center for Health Equity and the Emerging 100 of Atlanta for “[Better Health, Brotherhood, and Brunch](#),” an exclusive health and wellness brunch designed for men in the Atlanta community and beyond.

**The Details:**

📍 **Location:** The Gathering Spot, 384 Northyards Blvd NW, Building 100, Suite 190, Atlanta, GA 30313

📅 **Date:** TOMORROW, Saturday, January 31

🕒 **Time:** Brunch Reception starts at 11 a.m. ET | Program begins at Noon ET

**RSVP**

**117TH NAACP NATIONAL CONVENTION**



The [117th NAACP National Convention](#) is heading to Chicago! From July 18–22, 2026, join us

and thousands of leaders in a city defined by resilience and creativity to help build pathways to justice. This is your opportunity to engage with top voices, influence crucial policy, and celebrate Black excellence. Keep an eye out for important updates on registration, speakers, accommodations, and more.

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