

NAACP WEEKLY NEWS RECAP



TheGrio: [NAACP to launch voter protection hub ahead of 2026 midterms](#)

"We are ready," NAACP General Counsel Kristen Clarke told the Post. "We have an army of legal volunteers across the country and are prepared to activate and seek emergency relief on Election Day where necessary."

Also featured in [The Washington Post](#), [Chicago Defender](#), and [Black Information Network](#).

DC News Now: [NAACP sues Justice Department over election monitors](#)

The NAACP has filed an emergency legal challenge against the Department of Justice over plans to deploy 1,000 federal employees to observe polling stations during the upcoming midterm elections.

Also featured in [Democracy Docket](#), [AlterNet](#), [AURN News](#), [Blavity](#), [The Independent](#), [Law&Crime](#), [Tennessee Lookout](#), and [WTNH](#).

MS NOW: ['Disgraceful and shameful': NAACP lawyer SLAMS Trump](#)

[admin's latest voter suppression move](#)

NAACP General Counsel Kristen Clarke joins The Weeknight to discuss Trump's latest effort to undermine the midterms, as new government documents reveal ICE has investigated hundreds of nonprofits dedicated to helping Americans register to vote.

Cardinal & Pine (COURIER): [More than 12,000 NAACP volunteers are getting out the vote in NC's Black communities](#)

In an exclusive interview with Billy Ball Explains NC, [the NAACP](#) says it has recruited more than 12,000 local volunteers to get out the vote in North Carolina's Black communities. That's a staggering number.

Common Dreams: [Don't Let Trump Bleed College Athletes Dry at Corporate America's Behest](#)

The Senate has passed the [Protect College Sports Act](#), a bill that would make it harder for college athletes to set the terms of their own endorsement deals. ... The NAACP has [opposed](#) this legislation, warning that it puts institutional interests ahead of athletes' economic rights.

Johnston County Report: [Johnston NAACP Announces Candidate Forum Ahead Of General Election](#)

The Johnston County Branch of the NAACP will host a nonpartisan candidate forum Friday, Oct. 9 at Johnston Community College. ... Oct. 9 is also North Carolina's regular voter registration deadline for the Nov. 3 general election. The registration deadline is 5 p.m., according to the N.C. State Board of Elections. Voters who miss that deadline may still be able to register and vote during the in-person early voting period.

SILive: [From mental health to Medicaid: Forum will address Staten Island's health challenges](#)

The NAACP Staten Island Branch will host a free community health forum and Medicaid town hall on Saturday, Oct. 10, at 2 p.m. at H.E.A.L.T.H. for Youths, 120 Victory Blvd., in observance of World Mental Health Day. ... "Access to good health care begins with access to good information," said Nicole Meyers, President of the NAACP Staten Island Branch.

Madison 365: [Anthony Ashton, senior associate general counsel for the NAACP, to keynote NAACP Dane County Freedom Fund Dinner Saturday](#)

[The NAACP Dane County Branch](#) will host its [2026 Freedom Fund Dinner](#) on Saturday, Oct. 10, bringing community members together to

celebrate the organization's civil rights work and highlight its ongoing efforts around civic engagement and community empowerment.

The Signal: [NAACP showcases Black art and culture at CalArts during annual gala](#)

Celebrating a cultural and innovative period in African American history — the Harlem Renaissance — the [NAACP's Santa Clarita chapter](#) held its 2026 Harlem Renaissance Gala: The Story of a Cultural Revolution at California Institute of the Arts on Saturday. The gala was held to honor the golden era of artistry and innovation in Harlem that helped redefine and reshape Black identity amidst the Roaring Twenties.

The Amelia Bulletin Monitor: [NAACP Amelia Branch holds annual Freedom Fund Banquet Oct. 17](#)

The Amelia County Branch of the NAACP will hold its annual Freedom Fund Banquet beginning at 3 p.m. Saturday (Oct. 17) at the Amelia County Veterans Center, located at 16440 Five Forks Road in Amelia. The annual event brings members of the community together to support the work and mission of the NAACP while recognizing the importance of civic engagement, equality and community involvement. Tickets may be purchased from any member of the Amelia County NAACP Branch. Tickets will also be available at the door.

NAACP NEWS AND UPDATES

- [NAACP Announces Plans for Midterm War Room, Recruits More Than 52,000 Volunteers](#)
 - [NAACP, Voting Rights Groups Demand Texas Correct Motor Voter Registration Failures Before November Election](#)
 - [NAACP Files Emergency Lawsuit to Secure Records on Justice Department's Evolving Midterm "Election Monitoring" Plan](#)
 - [Nominations for 112th NAACP Spingarn Medal Award Now Open](#)
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NAACP+ INSIDE THE INDUSTRY



Go behind the scenes of film, television, music, fashion, and digital culture with [NAACP+ Inside the Industry](#). The series features candid conversations with the professionals shaping the business and the decisions behind long-term success.



[Robin Harrison](#): In this episode of NAACP+ Inside the Industry, host Ariana Drummond sits down with Robin Harrison — Vice President of the NAACP Hollywood Bureau and the woman who has been producing the NAACP Image Awards for over 22 years — for an inside look at the Image Awards like never before.

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OUR ATHLETES OUR VOICE:

Breaking Down the Protect College Sports Act

Black Sports Moms® and the NAACP will host a virtual town hall exploring the Protect College Sports Act and its potential impact on collegiate athletes. Join policy experts, athlete advocates, and community leaders for an informative discussion on the legislation, athlete rights, and actionable ways families and communities can advocate, mobilize, and make their voices heard.



THURSDAY
OCTOBER 15



8:00 PM ET



VIRTUAL
TOWN HALL



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Want to know how you can support student-athletes? Black Sports Moms® and NAACP are hosting a [virtual town hall](#) on the Protect College Sports Act and what it means for athletes, families, and communities like yours. Join policy experts, athlete advocates, and community leaders as they break down the legislation and share actionable ways to make your voice heard.

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See additional events below.

NAACP EVENTS



Whether you're ready to mobilize your faith community, champion the Black women shaping our democracy, prioritize your health, or land your next career move, we have some exciting events coming up right around the corner.

- **October 11:** [Don't miss Faith Forward: Called to Vote | Organizing for 2026](#), where we'll rally faith leaders and believers and introduce our "Faith Forward Toolkit" to help churches and pastors build on their trusted messenger status in their communities.
- **October 12:** [WE THE PEOPLE WIN: When Black Women Lead, Democracy Wins](#), a virtual town hall exploring how Black women can continue shaping public policy, community priorities, and democracy through civic education, advocacy, organizing, and leadership.
- **October 13:** Join the [Detroit Men's Health Exchange](#) for an interactive experience featuring health education, screenings, self-care resources, and conversations focused on prevention, prostate health, early detection, and improving health outcomes for Black men.
- **October 13:** Join us for our free [Virtual Career Fair](#) to connect with potential employers, explore career opportunities, and take the next step in your professional journey.

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SIGNAL AWARDS: IMAGE UNSCRIPTED



Big news! Image Unscripted's "[Jokes, Joy and Laughter](#)" episode is a [Signal Award](#) nominee in the Individual Episode – Comedy category, and we need your vote. In this episode, host Jemele Hill leads guests Kalen Allen, KevOnStage, and Scott Evans through stories of breaking barriers, building independent platforms, and finding joy in the craft.

[Vote now](#) through **Thursday, October 15.**

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ONGOING ACTIONS

-  **Protect the 2030 Census:** Every person deserves to be counted. Proposed changes to the 2030 Census could exclude millions from the count and remove critical demographic data used to protect civil rights and ensure fair representation. [Speak up and submit your comment today](#) to help protect an accurate and inclusive Census.
-  **The NAACP App:** With our new app, you can sign petitions on the go, back the campaigns driving change in our communities, and quickly rally your friends, family, and

neighbors around the causes that matter most. [Download it today!](#)



- **The Crisis:** For over a century, [The Crisis](#) has been a megaphone for those who refuse to stay silent: the writers, thinkers, and truth-tellers who shape the fight for justice. Now it's your turn. Submit story pitches to us for consideration [here](#).



- **Roadmap to Generational Wealth:** Generational wealth is about power, stability, and freedom, and it's within our reach. [Begin your journey](#) toward building wealth that will last for generations to come.



- **Out of Bounds:** NAACP is calling on Black athletes, families, alumni, and fans to withhold athletic and financial support from public universities in these states until they [protect Black voting power](#).



- **Redistricting:** Explore our "[Redistricting, Power & Our Vote](#)" collection, learn more about the fight for fair maps, and stay informed ahead of the 2026 midterms. Plus, visit the NAACP Store to grab our "[A Black Vote Was Suppressed Today](#)" merch and support the fight for voting rights.



- **25th Amendment:** The stability of our nation hangs in the balance under President Trump. [Tell the Cabinet to invoke the 25th Amendment](#).



- **Fund the Future Now:** Learn more about this [youth-led campaign](#) by the NAACP Youth & College Division fighting to make college affordable, accessible, and free from lifelong debt.

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