

NAACP WEEKLY NEWS RECAP



The Gander: [Exclusive: Inside the NAACP's plan to turn out 280,000 Black voters in Michigan](#)

The NAACP's Michigan program is part of a \$20 million national campaign to mobilize 6.5 million Black voters across 14 states. In Michigan, the group is actively targeting about 280,000 Black voters who rarely cast ballots but could sway the state's US Senate race and four key US House races in the 4th, 7th, 8th, and 10th congressional districts, according to the NAACP.

COURIER: [More Than 52,000 Volunteers Join NAACP's Massive Voter Turnout Effort](#)

Election Day is getting closer. Have you made a plan to vote yet? Check your registration, find your polling place, and make sure you know when and where to cast your ballot.

WLRN (PBS / NPR): [NAACP launches election protection war room, get-out-the vote campaign ahead of 2026 midterm](#)

With less than a month remaining until the 2026 midterm elections, the NAACP is creating a legal war room to safeguard voters across the country, including Florida.

Also featured in [Arizona Chinese News](#).

The New York Times: [Trump's Attacks on Voting Raise Fears He Will Try to Challenge Midterm Results](#)

The NAACP has sued, seeking information about the deployment. "This administration has made clear its intent to disrupt and interfere with the way elections are run in our country," said Kristen Clarke, the group's general counsel.

MS NOW: ['Smacks of racism': Trump's DOJ wants to make Rep. Ilhan Omar 'suffer'](#)

NAACP General Counsel Kristen Clarke joins The Weeknight to respond to the dangerous escalation of Trump's widening retribution campaign, as the Trump DOJ investigates Rep. Ilhan Omar of Minnesota in what reportedly appears to be an attempt at stripping her of her U.S. citizenship.

The 19th: [The Voting Rights Act has taken two devastating blows. What comes next?](#)

Kristen Clarke, the NAACP's top lawyer, says the country needs to have an "honest conversation" about how to protect the rights of Black voters.

WLTX: [Young NAACP members lead get-out-the-vote push in South Carolina](#)

At the South Carolina NAACP state conference in Columbia, young members are canvassing campuses to get peers to vote.

The Root: [Expert: The NAACP is Fighting to Keep Black Communities From Becoming AI's Collateral Damage](#)

The Root spoke to Abre' Conner, director of the NAACP's Center for Environmental and Climate Justice, who stressed that communities already burdened by generations of industrial pollution risk bearing the environmental costs of progress while others reap the rewards.

Alabama Political Reporter: [Tax break for Lowndes County data center draws backlash](#)

In a written statement Thursday, Abre' Conner, the NAACP's director of environmental and climate justice, argued that the commission disregarded residents' concerns about the project's environmental impacts and previous calls for greater public transparency by approving the tax break.

The Root: [NAACP Announces Massive Nationwide Campaign to Mobilize Black Male Voters](#)

“This midterm election is a critical turning point for our community and our democracy,” said Johnson in an official press release. “For many generations, Black men have fought to secure access to the ballot. Today, we wield our collective power and make our voices heard from the bottom of the ballot to the top. National Black Man Voter Day is about more than an election—this is about protecting our future and refusing to ever be silenced.”

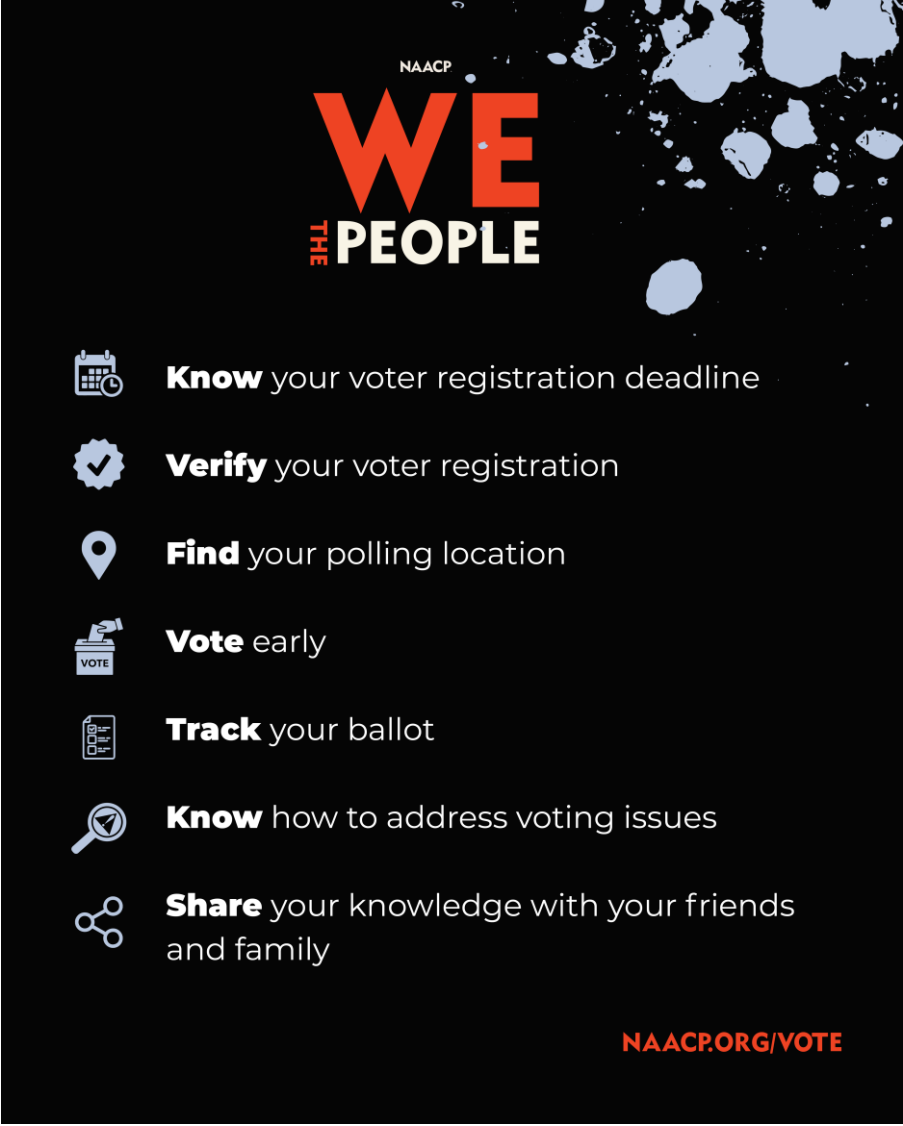
The Carolinian Newspaper: [‘Educate, Engage, Empower’: Johnston County NAACP Convenes Nonpartisan Candidate Forum in Smithfield](#)

As the countdown to the general election narrows to days, community members packed the Wood Building at Johnston Community College on Friday evening for a nonpartisan candidate forum organized by the Johnston County Branch of the NAACP.

NAACP NEWS AND UPDATES

- [The NAACP and Advancement Project Sue to Block DOJ Plans to Deploy Federal Law Enforcement As “Election Monitors”](#)
 - [NAACP Joins Pro-Voter Coalition to Intervene in DOJ Lawsuit to Protect California Voters Ahead of Midterms](#)
 - [New NAACP Research Reveals Black Americans Are Loyal to Platforms, Not Personalities, As Trust Shifts Ahead Of Elections](#)
 - [NAACP, Advocacy Groups Respond to Data Center Receiving Massive Tax Break in Surprise Vote by Lowndes County Commission](#)
 - [NAACP Applauds Court Decision Pausing Enforcement of the White House Press Ban](#)
 - [National Black Man Voter Day Set for October 24th, Coalition Launches Week of Action](#)
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THE ROAD TO MIDTERMS



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-  **Know** your voter registration deadline
-  **Verify** your voter registration
-  **Find** your polling location
-  **Vote** early
-  **Track** your ballot
-  **Know** how to address voting issues
-  **Share** your knowledge with your friends and family

NAACP.ORG/VOTE

With the [November 3 midterm elections](#) right around the corner, now is the time to finalize your voting plan. Explore your options and get free toolkits, voter guides, and Election Protection resources at naacp.org/vote. Then bring your family, friends, and community with you. Every vote from us is a vote for us. Let's show up stronger together.

READY. SET. VOTE

NAACP EVENTS



We have some exciting events coming up, with opportunities to learn, connect, engage with your community, and get involved. Check out what's ahead and make plans to join us.

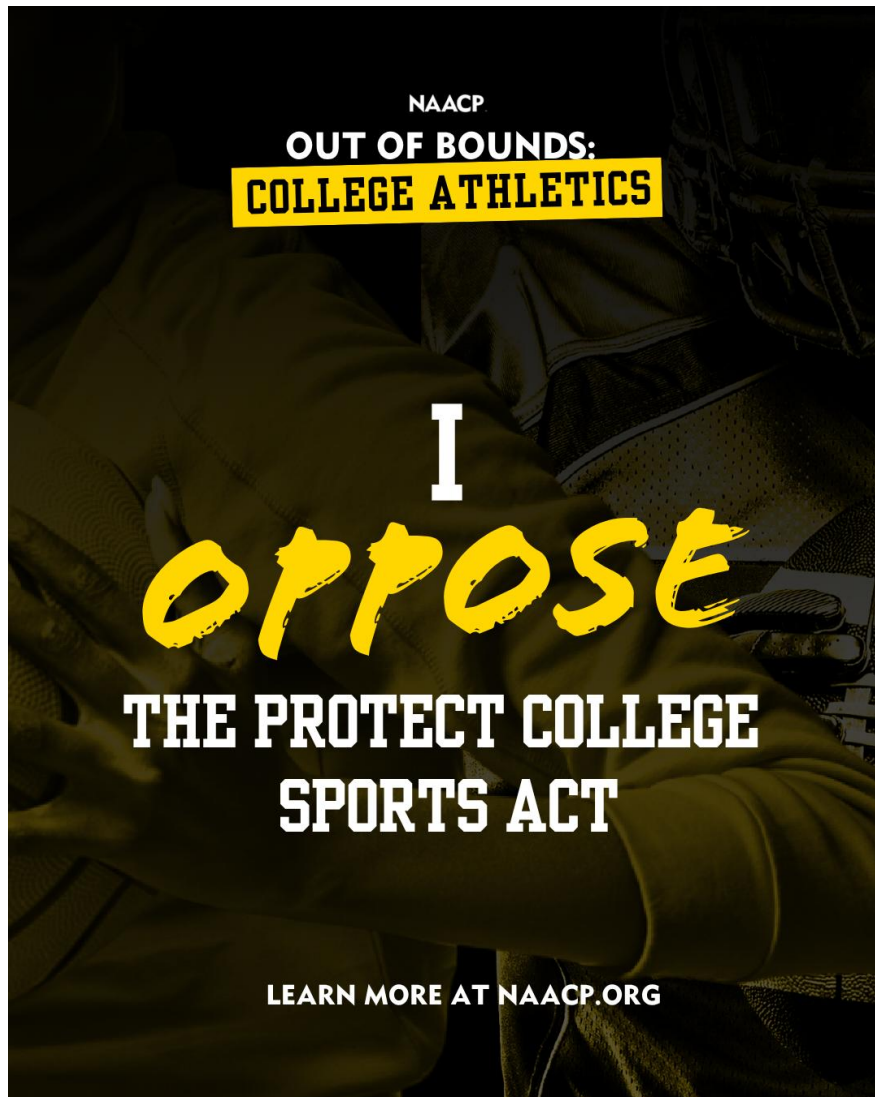
- **October 20:** Join the [National Black Man Voter Day Rally Call](#) to hear from the NAACP and partners about the national strategy, organizing resources, and coordinated efforts to engage, educate, and mobilize Black men ahead of the 2026 election.
Watch our previous [National Black Man Voter Day: Partner Briefing & Mobilization Call](#) now on the NAACP YouTube Channel.
- **October 20:** Get an inside look at election protection efforts with the NAACP Youth & College Division during [Our Vote, Our Responsibility: Election Protection Training](#), an interactive session covering poll monitoring, poll worker responsibilities, incident reporting, and ways to get involved in protecting the voting process ahead of the 2026 midterm elections.
- **October 26:** Join the [Faith Forward Phonebank: Answer the Call](#) to connect with faith leaders, congregations, and community advocates, alongside special guest Bishop Paul S. Morton, as we strengthen civic engagement and encourage communities nationwide to get involved.
- **November 14:** Join us in Houston for [Be in the Biz](#), a day-long symposium bringing together Hollywood industry professionals and aspiring creatives for panel discussions, hands-on workshops, networking opportunities, and insights into building careers in film, television, and entertainment.

Did you miss these events? Watch the replays now on the NAACP YouTube Channel. [Faith Forward: Called to Vote | Organizing for 2026](#)

- [WE THE PEOPLE WIN: When Black Women Lead, Democracy Wins](#)

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PROTECT COLLEGE SPORTS ACT

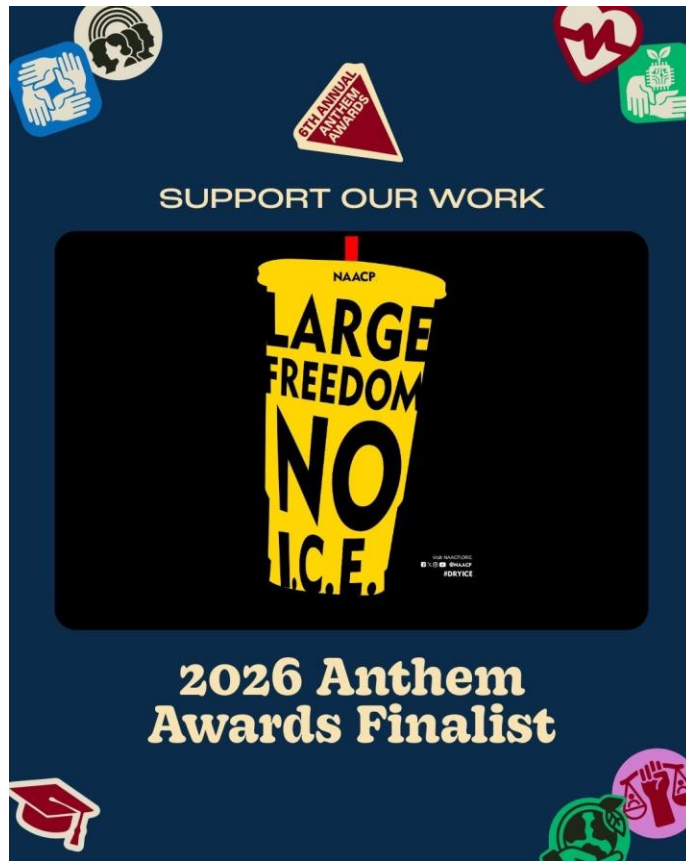


Student-athletes need our support. The [Protect College Sports Act](#) would lock them out of the rooms where key decisions about their lives are made. It fails to give them the power to bargain collectively for fair compensation, safer working conditions, and a say in decisions that shape their futures. **Contact your representative today to urge them to vote "NO" on the Protect College Sports Act.**

Did you miss Our Athletes, Our Voice: Breaking Down the Protect College Sports Act event in partnership with Black Sports Moms®? [Watch the replay now on the NAACP YouTube Channel.](#)

Support Student-Athletes

ANTHEM AWARDS: VOTE FOR THE NAACP



Two NAACP initiatives are nominated for the 2026 Anthem Awards, and voting is open through October 29.

Dry ICE Campaign

Families torn apart. Communities living in fear. Lives lost. ICE violence is real, and we refuse to look away. We launched the [Dry ICE campaign](#) to take a stand against this harm and fight for the communities bearing the brunt of ICE's cruelty.

Vote for Dry ICE

Cinematic Shorts Competition

Film as activism deserves to be recognized. 

The NAACP Cinematic Shorts Competition is nominated for an Anthem Award. If you believe that aspiring filmmakers deserve a space to nurture their talents and creativity, cast your vote today.

Vote for Cinematic Shorts

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.



- **Share Your ACT-SO Journey:** Since its inception, [ACT-SO](#) has inspired creativity, discipline, and excellence in young people. Whether you're an alum, expert, participant, or volunteer, your story is a vital part of its legacy, and [we want to hear from you](#).

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