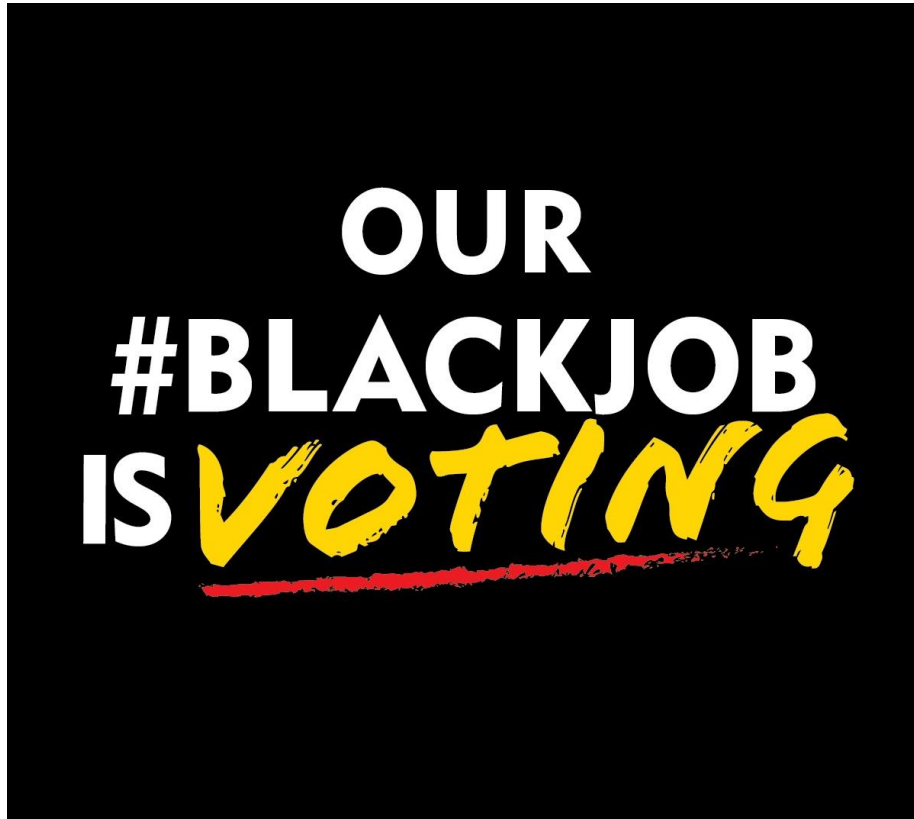


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WEEKLY NEWS UPDATE



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Ebony: [NAACP's President & CEO Derrick Johnson Wants You to Vote Like It's Your Job—Because It Is](#)

NAACP's CEO & President Derrick Johnson spoke with EBONY encouraging us all to vote and get those around us involved in the process. Voting extends beyond what we fill out in the ballot box; it's advocating for the issues we want to see prioritized and the leaders we want to represent us in the daily spaces that matter.

The New York Times: [Black Men Rally for Kamala Harris, and Confront an Elephant in the Room](#)

In early 2023, the N.A.A.C.P. helped Ms. Harris organize a meeting of about 60 Black men at the White House. Dominik Whitehead, the

N.A.A.C.P. senior vice president for campaigns and mobilization, said that the men who attended were wary about her background as a prosecutor, and that he thought the meeting would feel “transactional,” merely a photo opportunity. “There had been some neglect toward Black men and their issues,” Mr. Whitehead said. “I think there were some hard truths they needed to hear, but they were open to hearing that.”

MSNBC: [Georgia 'infringing on the right of voters' to participate in election: NAACP president](#)

The NAACP is calling on the Department of Justice to open an investigation into Georgia's online voter registration removal portal. President and CEO of the NAACP Derrick Johnson joins Andrea Mitchell to explain more.

The Chicago Crusader: [NAACP Demands DOJ Investigation In Georgia's Voter Registration Cancellation Portal](#)

This week, the NAACP sent a letter to Assistant Attorney General Kristin Clarke demanding the DOJ open an investigation into the Voter Registration Cancellation Portal. In the letter, NAACP President and CEO Derrick Johnson said the rollout of the site violated the National Voter Registration Act of 1993.

WSB-TV: [NAACP urging DOJ to open investigation into GA voter registration cancellation portal](#)

“This newly implemented system is disappointing, but not surprising. It is no coincidence that Georgia, home to one of the largest Black populations in our nation, is also one with a long history of unconstitutional voter suppression tactics. For years, right-wing extremists in power have worked to advance anti-Black policies and attempt to stifle the voices of Black Georgians,” NAACP President Derrick Johnson said.

ABC News: [Biden signs proclamation establishing Springfield 1908 Race Riot Monument](#)

He also noted how the horrific attack "sparked the creation of the NAACP," which he views as "one of the most important organizations" in America. "I'm so proud that Springfield, Illinois, is home to the beginning of the NAACP," Illinois Democratic Sen. Tammy Duckworth added. "Good things can come out of bad things, as long as you don't forget what happened."

Independent: [Biden signs order to establish 1908 Springfield race riot monument as he looks to burnish legacy](#)

The National Guard was called in to restore order. White rioters were charged, but later acquitted for their roles in the lynching and destruction. Fed-up civil rights leaders met in New York and chose the centennial of Lincoln's birthday, Feb. 12, 1909, to form the NAACP, whose original board included scholar W.E.B. DuBois.

Axios: [Today in Boston history: NAACP calls out segregation in schools](#)

On this day in 1963, the local NAACP branch submitted a report to the Boston School Committee highlighting the persistent de facto segregation across the district. It took years of advocacy from the Boston NAACP chapter and civil rights activists — and ultimately a legal fight — to get Boston Public Schools to truly desegregate, decades after Brown v. Board of Education.

West Virginia Watch: [NAACP files lawsuit against WV agencies, alleges failure to collect data](#)

“The West Virginia State Conference of the NAACP has long advocated for the state to address racial inequities in how young people of color are being treated in schools and carceral settings, including racial bullying, school suspension and truancy concerns in West Virginia,” Loretta Young, president of the West Virginia State Conference of the NAACP, said in a news release Thursday.

WV Public Broadcasting: [NAACP Sues State Agencies Over Failure To Report Collect Data On Imprisoned Juveniles](#)

The plaintiffs are asking the court to order the agencies to abide by the law and in doing so begin collecting data on truancy and recidivism in the state. As of 2015 West Virginia juveniles were confined at a rate of 330 of every 100,000 children, a rate higher than any other state and more than double the national rate.

The Real WV: [WV NAACP files suit to require WV agencies to collect data on juvenile justice outcomes](#)

The West Virginia State Conference of the NAACP (WV NAACP) has filed suit in the Circuit Court of Kanawha County to remedy West Virginia agencies' failure to collect data as required by West Virginia law to improve the justice system for children and youth in the state.

The Pine Bluff Commercial: [NAACP president coming to Pine Bluff](#)

The Pine Bluff branch of the NAACP will present NAACP National President and CEO Derrick Johnson as the keynote speaker during the branch's annual Dove Freedom Fund Dinner. The event is scheduled for 6 p.m. Oct. 11 at the Pine Bluff Convention Center, according to a news release.

STATEMENTS:

- [NAACP Reacts to Homicide Ruling in Death of Frank Tyson, Calls for Swift Response Against Officers Involved](#)
 - [NAACP Celebrates White House Announcement to Designate Springfield Race Riot Monument as a National Monument](#)
 - [NAACP Applauds the Biden-Harris Administration's Announcement of Lower Medicare Negotiated Drug Prices](#)
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Our democracy stands at a crossroads. With the right to vote facing unprecedented challenges, it's more important than ever to amplify the voices of Black voters and ensure every vote is counted. This is where you come in.

[Our volunteers](#) help drive the NAACP mission forward by dedicating their time to empowering voters to make it to the ballot box. Imagine the impact of your efforts — every call you make or text you send encourages an infrequent voter to exercise their right and participate in shaping our collective future.

[Sign up to volunteer](#) with the NAACP and be part of a movement that champions equity and justice for all. Together, let's make history by ensuring every Black voter has their say in the upcoming election.

Your voice matters, and so does your action. Join us in making a lasting impact.



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[Project 2025](#) threatens to undo decades of progress for our **communities**, stripping away our rights and silencing our voices. This extremist, right-wing agenda seeks to take us back, but NAACP is fighting forward with [Our 2025](#)— a bold vision that champions higher wages, quality education, and justice for all.

We refuse to let this radical manifesto dictate our future. We must fight, we must advocate - **we must vote** - to ensure that [Our 2025](#) becomes our reality.

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We're excited to announce that the NAACP is in the running for a panel spot at next year's SXSW, **but we need your support to make it happen!** Our proposed session, "[Authenticity: The New Social Currency of Brands](#)," aims to explore how consumers, employees, and social justice advocates can collaborate to create authentic and effective engagement with social issues.

Voting closes THIS SUNDAY, August 18, so here's how you can help bring our panel to life:

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Now more than ever, it's important to wear your activism on your sleeve (literally). We are thrilled to announce that new NAACP t-shirts are available for pre-order in the NAACP Store. Show your support by wearing these statement t-shirts:

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