

NAACP

WEEKLY NEWS UPDATE



CNN: [American Airlines settles discrimination lawsuit filed by three Black men](#)

The NAACP previously placed a travel advisory on the airline in October 2017 after reports of hostility toward Black passengers. That warning was lifted nine months later after the airline made progress in addressing the organization's concerns. In June, the NAACP renewed its call to American Airlines to ignite a change after the lawsuit news broke. Later, the airline said it would implement new measures, including creating an advisory group.

CBS: [Randallstown NAACP working with state leaders to crack down on illegal firearms after mass shooting in Towson](#)

The Randallstown NAACP is calling on Maryland leaders to crack down on gun violence after a [fiery crash and mass shooting](#) that left a Baltimore City man dead, and nine other people injured in Towson Tuesday night.

Atlanta Black Star: [‘Poor Taste and Judgment’: Virginia High School Under Fire After Teacher Uses Raw Cotton In History Lesson, Prompting ‘Humiliating’ Jokes About Black People](#)

“They explained that the teacher left the room and got a stalk of cotton from another teacher, and that teacher that she got the cotton from was a teacher of African-American history,” Loudoun County NAACP President Michelle Thomas [told WUSA9](#).

CBS19 News: [PVCC students recognized with NAACP scholarships](#)

The Albemarle-Charlottesville NAACP Branch has recognized three Piedmont Virginia Community College students as the 2024 recipients of the Tamyra K. Turner Memorial Scholarships. According to a release, Kimberly de la Cruz got a \$1,500 award while Owen Brown and Fatema Mohammad each received \$1,000 awards.

WVLT: [‘Irreparable harm to our public schools’ | Knoxville NAACP voices opposition against school vouchers](#)

“This is something that would do irreparable harm to our public schools. Not just only in Knox County, but in Tennessee,” said Rev. Sam Brown, President of the Knoxville chapter of the NAACP.

Courier Journal: [Louisville NAACP vows to continue civil rights fight after longtime leader Raoul Cunningham retires](#)

Despite the end of his years as president, Raoul Cunningham intends to stay involved with the NAACP and the civil rights movement in Louisville. He will remain on the national NAACP’s board of directors for another year.

Boston25 News: [‘We need to make changes’: Community gathers to hear from DOJ regarding Worcester Police report](#)

“The sexual allegations, that’s very troubling, it’s really troubling, this report is really bad,” said Fred Taylor, president of Worcester’s NAACP.

WIFR: [Rockford NAACP gives coats and toys to stateline kids](#)

After days of collecting donations of toys and coats for stateline kids in need, the Rockford NAACP gives them out during their annual holiday party Monday night. “It makes us feel great to see the little kids’ eyes light up, see them smile, see them laugh, see them enjoy the new coat, the toy,” Chris Burton from the Rockford NAACP says.

WCBI: [NAACP provides home cooked meals for the inmates in Macon](#)

“There are those that are not as fortunate and might not have family members around this time, so we decided to get together to give them some essentials and to fix some good festive food for them,” said Deloria Stewart of the Noxubee County NAACP Branch. “The guys were excited. They were thankful. They were grateful to be able to know that someone on the outside was still thinking about them,” said Noxubee County NAACP Branch, Jeffery Robinson.

Alabama Political Reporter: [Alabama NAACP seeks justice for Johnny Williams](#)

“The Alabama NAACP stands with individuals like Mr. Williams where race has played a part in his termination, so we stand today, demanding an explanation of termination,” said Benard Simelton, president of Alabama NAACP.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS



The NAACP is filled with immense gratitude for your unwavering support and loyalty throughout 2024. Through your efforts, we've challenged systemic inequalities, strengthened communities, and championed the rights of those who need it most.

The fight for justice isn't easy, but it's fueled by the determination and passion of people like you, who believe in a better tomorrow. Together, we've turned advocacy into action and challenges into opportunities.

This holiday season, we're reminded of the resilience and hope that unite us. Let's carry that spirit into the New Year as we continue working toward a world where equity and justice prevail.

FUEL THE FIGHT FOR JUSTICE



This year, the NAACP made significant strides in advancing racial justice.

With your support, we achieved significant progress this year, including:

- Launched [#KeepAdvancing](#) — a modernized approach to civic engagement that encourages audiences across all backgrounds to join in the fight for social justice.
- Founded [NAACP Capital](#) — a \$200 million fund aimed at closing the racial wealth gap.
- Successfully litigated nearly a dozen cases to protect voting rights and ballot access.
- Reached [14.5 million voters](#) through a historic \$20 million GOTV investment.
- Granted \$6.5 million to NAACP units and Black organizations through our [Building Community Voice Fund](#).
- And many other initiatives.

As we look ahead to 2025, your year-end gift will help us build on the progress we've made and continue the fight for justice and equality.

Right now, your impact can go even further. [Donate today](#). A generous donor is matching all gifts until the end of the year, doubling the difference you make.



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IN VS. OUT 2025



Black people have always been at the forefront of all forms of cultural phenomenon, especially when it comes to setting trends. From music to fashion, and from sports to STEM, Black contributions are everywhere. When we create, we inspire. When we innovate, we change the world. And when we lead, we move the masses.

As a new year approaches, we reflect on the year that's passed — a year that challenged us, a year that at times let us down, a year we rose above time and time again.

To keep advancing, we must fight back and reject anything less than excellence — politically, socially, economically, creatively, and culturally.

To that end, the NAACP compiled its own list of what's in and out for 2025 — [visit our website to see the full list.](#)

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NONPROFITS.**

**TELL THE SENATE TO
REJECT
H.R. 9495**

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With H.R. 9495, the incoming administration is threatening to use its power to dismantle tax-exempt organizations it opposes. This “**Kill Nonprofits Bill**” puts civil society groups across the political spectrum — including the NAACP — at serious risk.

This would give the executive branch unchecked authority to silence

nonprofits, stripping away their tax-exempt status for challenging injustice or holding powerful interests accountable. It's a direct assault on our ability to fight for racial equity, advocate for justice, and uplift the voices of the communities we serve.

We cannot let this dangerous legislation become law. The NAACP is calling on you to [email your senator today](#) and demand they reject H.R. 9495 or any version of the bill — both now or in the future. Together, we can defend the freedoms that empower nonprofits to fight for justice and racial equity.

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