The month of June for GALEO has been packed with events and meaningful activities that impacted our community for the better and uplifted the voices of marginalized communities, specifically, the Latinx community in the state of Georgia.

2020: The Georgia Latino Electorate Grows in Power

On June 10th, 2021, GALEO and the GALEO Latino Community Development Fund published the fourth report highlighting the 2020 election cycle growth and engagement of the Latino voters in Georgia. In partnership with NALEO Educational Fund and the Department of Political Science of the University of Georgia, GALEO unveiled the most comprehensive Latino electorate analysis in Georgia during the 2020 election cycle and the rapid growth of the Latino-Hispanic electorate in the state. The Latino electorate grew by 140,995 new voters since the 2016 report, presenting a growth rate of 57.7%. On a national level, the Latino vote increased by 6 million voters since the 2016 election cycle, approaching a record number of 18.7 million voters in 2020. Reportedly, one in 10 voters was Latino in 2020. Additionally, younger Latinos ages 18 to 40, with about 2.4 million voters, were first-time and newly registered voters. The Latina vote was vital in many battleground states like Florida, Texas, Arizona, and Georgia.

The electorate in Georgia is evolving swiftly, and the Latino community is an indispensable part of the electorate that should be targeted, respected, and cultivated by all political parties in the state. As the Latino community increases in numbers and force, elected officials and candidates should pay Georgia’s critical demographic attention. Read the full report here: bit.ly/GLV2020
Saludos amigos,

In recent months, GALEO has grown to ensure we can continue to build a stronger organization to meet the rising needs of our communities for more civic engagement and leadership development. One of our new projects will be the monthly newsletter that promises to inform you all about our events, projects, and more. As you may know, GALEO continues the work against the Jim Crow law, SB202, in Georgia, while we are actively working to educate and inform our communities about the redistricting process. We continue to work to promote education and information about vaccination efforts to ensure our communities can come together safely. Additionally, in the CEO’s corner, you will find insights about our efforts from one of our staff members or me. But for now, we wanted you to receive our email with the warmest regards from everyone at GALEO. Always remember, juntos somos más, together we are stronger.

Un abrazo,
Jerry

PS. Follow us on our social media to receive quicker updates!
Every ten years after the decennial Census, our legislators receive Census data, and based on the results they use this critical information to redraw district maps. Due to this critical step in our democracy, The Georgia Latino Redistricting Caucus (GLRC) launched its first meeting on June 17th, 2021, from 11 AM to 1 PM. This event provided an opportunity for you to learn about redistricting and how we can work together to hold our legislators accountable when redrawing electoral maps during the upcoming Special Session in the Fall. Follow our social media for more information about redistricting.

Every moment is an organizing opportunity, every person a potential activist, every minute a chance to change the world.

~Dolores Huerta

Alba Villareal | LinkedIn

Months after the FDA approved the first COVID-19 vaccine, there have been significant efforts to vaccinate most of the U.S. population. While there are currently three COVID-19 vaccines now available, several Americans have yet to be vaccinated. The CDC has emphasized the importance of vaccine equity, but disproportionate vaccination rates continue to be an issue for marginalized communities.

Read the full article here: https://galeo.org/vaccine-equity-in-the-hispanic-community-of-georgia/

Nicolas Bernal | LinkedIn
‘Queer latinidad’ is a recently coined term that is becoming more and more relevant in our diversified society. It describes a novel community whose components have many complementing and many contradicting characteristics. These include social conservatism, boisterous culture, sexual liberation, shared struggles, and more.

Read the full article here: [https://galeo.org/nuestro-arcoiris-the-intersection-between-latinx-and-lgbt/](https://galeo.org/nuestro-arcoiris-the-intersection-between-latinx-and-lgbt/)

Alba Villareal  |  [LinkedIn](https://www.linkedin.com/in/alba-villareal/)

Ever Lopez stood against Asheboro High School when he was denied his diploma for violating the dress code and wearing a Mexican flag during the ceremony. The situation went viral on Tik Tok, where videos show the school’s principal, Dr. Penny Crooks, attempting to remove the flag as he walked on the stage. The situation then escalated as security was called to escort him and his family out for demanding he receives his diploma.

Read the full article here: [https://galeo.org/high-school-grad-finally-receives-diploma-amidst-controversy/](https://galeo.org/high-school-grad-finally-receives-diploma-amidst-controversy/)

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**Upcoming Activities**

- **Phone Bank- Voter Registration**
  Monday through Friday- Ongoing

- **Text Bank- Voter Registration**
  Fridays- Ongoing

- **Door-to-Door Canvassing (Partnership with NAACP)**
  July 17th, 2021

- **Door-to-Door Canvassing (Partnership with NAACP)**
  July 31st, 2021

- **2021 Latino Leadership Summit**
  September 25th, 2021

- **2021 Hispanic Heritage Month Luncheon**
  October 14, 2021

- **17th Annual GALEO Power Breakfast**
  May 20, 2022
The Jolt: GOP support could boost Kasim Reed’s comeback in Atlanta mayor’s race
11Alive
Report shows growth of Latino vote in Georgia

El Nuevo Georgia
INCREMENTO HISTORICO DE VOTANTES LATINOS

Conexión Fin De Semana | Univision Atlanta
Entrevista sobre el Voto Latino en Georgia en Conexión Fin De Semana

WABE A Closer Look with Rose Scott | NPR
New Report Outlines Latino Voter Engagement; Atlanta Moves Toward Revamping Parking Spaces To Outdoor Seating Areas | 90.1 FM WABE

Job Opportunities

We are looking for canvassers! GALEO takes pride in all the work that our canvassers do around our community in Georgia. Join our team and help us spread the word to help our community! For more information, visit our website: https://galeo.org/galeo-canvasser-job-description/.
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