



GALEO continued their hard work during the month of October advocating for the Latinx-Hispanic communities in Georgia.



Election: Get Out To Vote

It's election season in Georgia, and with so many things happening around us, your voice and vote matter more than ever. Whether this is your first election or fiftieth, this is your chance to tell leaders what matters to you. School boards, municipal government, and select legislative races are all on the ballot this year, and this is your time to get your opinions heard!

This pledge card represents your commitment to vote during this year's municipal elections. Once you complete and submit it, we'll follow up to remind you about your commitment and help get you any last-minute information you need before casting your ballot.

After changes to our voting laws earlier this year, the way you cast your ballot may be a little different. But rest assured, by completing this pledge to vote, you're taking an important step to help yourself **#GetVoteReady** ahead of this year's elections.

PLEDGE TO VOTE!

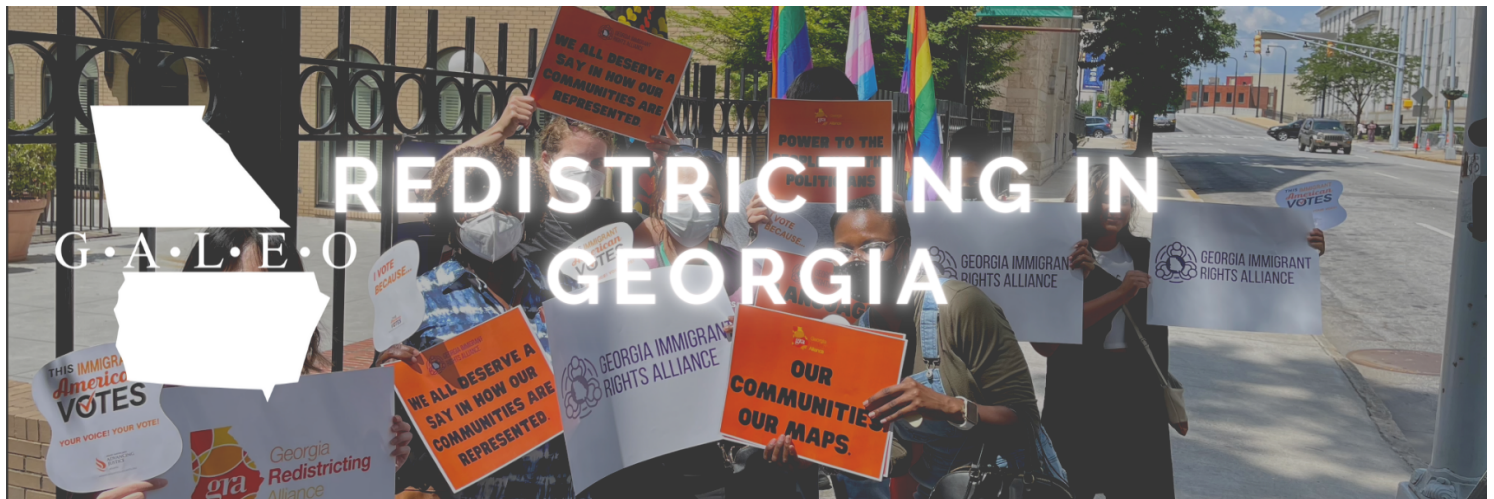
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Saludos amigos,

On Tuesday, Georgians around the state will head to the polls to vote in local municipal elections. These elections often have the lowest turnout because many believe that the local elected officials don't have a noticeable impact on our everyday lives. Nothing is further from the truth! Local elected officials often make decisions that directly affect your life. If you have not already voted, please find your [polling location](#) and VOTE! #GetVoteReady and make your voice heard.

*Un abrazo,
Jerry Gonzalez*

Share our newsletter!



The GALEO Latino Community Development Fund (GALEO LCDF), the Georgia State Conference of the NAACP (Georgia NAACP), Georgia Coalition for the People's Agenda (People's Agenda) and the Urban League of Greater Atlanta (ULGA) are proud to announce that we have issued proposed unity redistricting maps and data for Georgia's Congressional, State Senate and State House districts.

Since 2004, the white percentage of the Georgia electorate has steadily decreased while the percentage of the minority electorate has steadily increased, with the white share of the overall state population falling from 55.9 percent to 50.1 percent. As a result, people of color in Georgia now comprise almost half of the total population of the state. Our proposed maps, which adhere to the Georgia General Assembly's redistricting principles, with a particular interest in adherence to the Voting Rights Act of 1965, give Georgia's voters of color a meaningful opportunity to elect candidates of choice. Several highlights from our proposed maps include:

- 8 of 14 (57%) congressional districts are majority people of color
- 8 of 14 (57%) congressional districts are majority voting-age people of color
- 7 of 14 (50%) congressional districts are majority citizen voting-age people of color
- 7 of 14 (50%) congressional districts are majority registered voters of color
- 31 of 56 (55%) state senate districts are majority people of color
- 29 of 56 (52%) state senate districts are majority voting-age people of color
- 26 of 56 (46%) state senate districts are majority citizen voting-age people of color
- 27 of 56 (48%) state senate districts are majority registered voters of color
- 96 of 180 (53%) state house districts are majority people of color
- 94 of 180 (52%) state house districts are majority voting-age people of color
- 82 of 180 (46%) state house districts are majority citizen voting-age people of color,
- 87 of 180 (48%) state house districts are majority registered voters of color.

To see the maps and associated files, please visit: www.GeorgiaUnityMaps.org

If you like what you see on these unity maps and support our joint efforts to advocate for the drawing of fair redistricting maps which reflect the rich diversity of our state, please take a few moments to voice your support of our maps to the Georgia General Assembly's Joint Reapportionment Committee through its public comment portal at this link: https://www.legis.ga.gov/joint-office/reapportionment/public-comments?edit_requested=true



The GALEO Institute for Leadership is a year-long program that assists participants in becoming stronger community leaders. The three goals of this program are to educate, connect, and inspire leaders. We strive to have participants that will utilize their leadership training to create a meaningful impact within their communities or area of work.

We will be accepting applications in November, so please stay tuned to our emails and social media announcing the details of the GALEO Institute of Leadership 2022.

Cautious, careful people, always casting about to preserve their reputation and social standing, never can bring about a reform.

~Susan B. Anthony



Our Hispanic Heritage Month Luncheon 2021 was a success! Thank you to every single person and sponsor who supported our celebration! The GALEO familia is grateful and revitalized to continue the good work! ¡Gracias!

Below, you can find our recap video and our photo album.

Photos: <https://flic.kr/s/aHsmWXaNDa>

Video: <https://youtu.be/WjNKcyBmEg0>



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As of 2020, metro Atlanta is one of the fastest-growing regions for Latinx growth. Over 49% of all foreign-born residents in metro Atlanta identify as Hispanic and/or Latinx. According to data from the U.S. Census Bureau, between 2000 and 2010, metro Atlanta's Latinx population grew from 268,851 to 547,400. The dramatic increase in growth within the Latinx community has proven to have a powerful economic, cultural, and social influence on the city of Atlanta.

Read the full article here: <https://galeo.org/latinx-growth-in-metro-atlanta/>

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As more and more first-generation Latinx Americans continue to grow up in the United States, Spanglish continues to develop. Spanglish is a recent linguistic phenomenon that blends grammar, syntax, and slang of both English and Spanish. In more recent times, Spanglish has been perceived as a fake, Americanized version of Spanish and has posed the question: is Spanglish a valid language? Spanglish speakers who were raised in the United States make the argument that Spanglish is a newly reformed version of Spanish.

Read the full article here: <https://galeo.org/spanglish-between-generations/>

Upcoming Activities

[Phone Bank- Voter Registration](#)

Monday through Friday- Ongoing

[Text Bank- Voter Registration](#)

Fridays- Ongoing

[GIL 2020 Graduation](#)

Saturday, November 13, 2021

[17th Annual GALEO Power Breakfast](#)

May 20, 2022



Media

[The Arthur M. Blank Foundation Awards GALEO Democracy Grant](#)

October 28, 2021

[Hispanic Heritage Month Luncheon Recap Video](#)

October 14, 2021

[La Redistribución Electoral Después Del Último Conteo Del Censo Podría Afectar A Los Hispanos De Georgia](#)

October 19, 2021

[GALEO Celebrates Hispanic Heritage Month](#)

October 18, 2021

[Latino Vote Will Be Critical in Georgia Elections, Expert Says](#)

October 10, 2021

Job Opportunities

We are working with NPAG on an exciting search for our first Deputy Director who will be charged with building out infrastructure for our advocacy and organizing efforts in the Latinx community. We are looking for an operations leader who can align resources and support our community engagement and leadership development efforts to take them to the next level. We are coming to you as leaders who understand our work and need your advice about possible places and people we could reach out to who could be effective candidates for us. To share your ideas and suggestions, you can reach out directly to Jess Powers of NPAG at jpowers@npag.com and we thank you in advance for supporting us *in this way!*

Job posting: <https://npag.com/galeo-depdir>

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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