



2024 Impact Report



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beyond, working
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Who We Are

Since 1971, the Southern Poverty Law Center (SPLC) has fought to hold our nation to the promises of the Civil Rights Movement. In courtrooms, classrooms and communities across the country, the SPLC stands up against hate, defends people facing discrimination and fights for racial justice and civil rights. Thanks to your support, we are building a future where white supremacy, poverty and mass incarceration are relics of the past. Our work focuses on:

Strengthening Democracy & Voting Rights

The SPLC aims to ensure that elected officials genuinely represent the communities they serve. By working with communities to challenge laws and policies that make it harder for people to vote in the Deep South, we empower individuals nationwide to exercise their right to vote and have a voice in decisions affecting them.

Dismantling White Supremacy

The SPLC strives to force white supremacy out of the mainstream, reduce its impact on our democracy and end targeted violence against Black, Brown, LGBTQ+ and other people. We educate the public about the effects of racism and other forms of hate, expose influential extremists and partner with communities to prevent radicalization.

Eliminating Poverty and Economic Inequality

The SPLC advocates for policies that invest in Black and Brown communities, increasing access to affordable housing, quality education, employment opportunities and public services for all people. We fight to dismantle discriminatory systems that maintain poverty and prevent families from growing wealth.

Ending Unjust Incarceration

The SPLC is dedicated to challenging unjust, inequitable practices that lead to the over-policing and over-criminalization of Black and Brown communities. We work toward dismantling criminal legal and immigrant detention systems rooted in white supremacy and ending the school-to-prison pipeline.

By the Numbers

149

active legal cases including 21 new lawsuits and 7 amicus briefs.

3,200+

naturalized citizens in Alabama protected from an unlawful voter purge.

151

discriminatory bills blocked or crucially amended due to SPLC advocacy across the Deep South.

1,100+

voters registered ahead of the 2024 general election through community engagement by the SPLC's state offices.

1,430

hate and antigovernment extremist groups tracked, examining the pervasive infrastructure of white supremacy in the U.S.

12

new SPLC reports released, examining topics such as gender- and sexuality-based bigotry, the overemphasis on punishment in Georgia's youth legal system, and the significant disparities in Mississippi's special education system.

3,000+

Georgia voters had their voices heard after an SPLC lawsuit ensured their absentee ballots — delayed in the mail — were counted.

5 MIL+

social media impressions of the SPLC's The South's Got Now | Decidimos, a bilingual voter engagement campaign to energize young voters.



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[Top] Activists from Tennessee Strong protest private school voucher program at Beth Harwell Plaza in Nashville, Tenn.

[Bottom] CJ Jones traveled with SPLC from Tuscaloosa, Ala., to Geneva, Switzerland, to speak at U.N. about being pushed out of high school for minor, unproven offense.

community partners, Pasco County School District of Florida reaches settlement with U.S. Department of Justice to end discriminatory predictive policing against disabled students.

April 2024
SPLC and partners file *Alabama State Conference of the NAACP v. Marshall*, successful lawsuit blocking Alabama's SB 1, which criminalizes most forms of absentee voting

assistance for disabled and low-literacy voters.

SPLC testifies at United Nations alongside young Black Alabamian CJ Jones and father on racial inequities in the U.S. education system and the school-to-prison pipeline.

Judge blocks Florida Department of Education from enforcing ban on use of chosen pronouns and title against

Shelley Mays /The Tennessean; Hillary Hudson

Jake Crandall/Montgomery Advertiser

transgender educator in SPLC lawsuit *Wood v. Florida Department of Education*.

SPLC Intelligence Project investigation and subsequent community action against neo-Nazi training compound in rural Maine prompts state legislature to pass anti-paramilitary legislation.

SPLC reaches settlement with Jefferson Parish School Board of

Louisiana in lawsuit *S.L. v. Jefferson Parish School Board* to amend policies leading to involuntary placement of students in punitive alternative schools without due process.

May 2024
SPLC launches The South's Got Now | Decidimos, a bilingual engagement campaign to energize young Black and Brown voters in the Deep South.

Steven Reed, mayor of Montgomery, Ala., signs executive order forgiving municipal fines on Feb. 29, 2024.



March — May



[Top] Members of Alpha Kappa Alpha and Delta Sigma Theta sororities volunteer for community meeting at Gaston Point Community Center in Gulfport, Miss., on July 27, 2024.

[Bottom] SPLC Intelligence Project's *Year in Hate & Extremism* report tracked 1,430 hate and antigovernment groups.

June 2024
SPLC's Intelligence Project releases *Anti-Abortion Extremism: Inside the Movement Dismantling Our Reproductive Rights*, a report on the anti-abortion extremist movement's history, trends, key figures and strategies.

SPLC's Intelligence Project releases annual *Year in Hate & Extremism* report to

document activity and trends of domestic hate and antigovernment extremist groups.

July 2024
After investigative report from SPLC, first Black mayor of Newbern, Ala., reaches settlement to retake mayorship after being shut out by former unelected mayor and city council.

August 2024
After organizing help from SPLC's Mississippi

SPLC; Chantal Janichan

state office, the community of Gulfport, Miss., influences city's final proposal for federal community development funds by ensuring proposed budget equitably supports the most economically under-resourced areas for first time in 20 years.

September 2024
SPLC files motion to challenge Florida's "pay to stay" fees imposed by Florida prisons to

collect millions of dollars from formerly incarcerated people.

Judge blocks enforcement of Alabama's SB 1, which criminalizes most forms of absentee voting assistance, in SPLC lawsuit *Alabama State Conference of the NAACP v. Marshall*.

SPLC and partners file lawsuit *Alabama Coalition for Immigrant Justice v. Allen* in

Patrick Braxton, mayor of Newbern, Ala., at swearing-in ceremony hosted by Alabama Conference of Black Mayors on Aug. 3, 2024.



June — September



Residents of Chickasaw, Ala., were unjustly charged with theft of services after falling behind on sewage and trash collection bills.

response to Alabama secretary of state's plans to unlawfully purge voter rolls less than 90 days before the general election.

In partnership with Interfaith Alliance, SPLC hosts summit bringing together Christian, Jewish and Muslim faith leaders and faith-based organizations to strategize against rise of white Christian supremacy.

After advocacy from SPLC and community activists, the city of Chickasaw, Ala., agrees to stop the criminalization of residents unable to pay sewage and trash bills.

October 2024
Judge blocks Alabama secretary of state from unlawfully purging voter rolls less than 90 days before the general election in response to SPLC lawsuit *Alabama*

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Coalition for Immigrant Justice v. Allen.
November 2024
SPLC files successful emergency lawsuit *Ayota v. Fall* to ensure absentee voters in Cobb County, Ga., have enough time to complete mail ballots after receiving them late.

SPLC launches investigation of racist text messages sent to young Black people in Alabama, Georgia

and other states after Election Day.

U.S. Department of Justice files statement of interest in support of SPLC lawsuit *Yellowhammer v. Marshall*, which challenges threats of prosecution for aiding pregnant Alabamians traveling out of state for abortion care.

December 2024
SPLC releases *Learning Gap: Mississippi's*

Early voters in Cobb County, Ga., set new records on first day of advanced voting for 2024 general election.





[Top] SPLC policy research report *Learning Gap* exposes racial inequities in Mississippi's public schools.

[Bottom] SPLC Georgia state office goes door to door on Election Day 2024 in Mableton, Ga., to engage voters.

[Right] Election Day 2024 at Alabama State University Acadome in Montgomery, Ala.

Education Funding Disparities Deny Opportunities for Students of Color, a report exposing racial inequities plaguing state's public education system and how to fix them.

SPLC files lawsuit after Florida department does not release important data on involuntary psychiatric examinations of children under the Florida Mental Health Act, also known

as the Baker Act, in *Disability Rights v. Florida Department of Children and Families*.

Alex Nabaurn; David Neagle; Hillary Hudson



Apathy is not an option.

The challenges we are facing in the fight for justice are urgent, complex and deeply entrenched. Across the U.S., we see efforts to silence voters, roll back civil rights and spread hate. We know that justice does not move forward on its own — it takes all of us, refusing to turn away, refusing to accept injustice as the status quo.

At the Southern Poverty Law Center, we are unwavering in our commitment to dismantling white supremacy, protecting democracy and advancing the rights of all people. In the months ahead, we will continue to fight to preserve the vote, hold far-right extremists accountable, defend communities targeted by hate and discrimination in court, and push for policies that create a more just and equitable society.

But we don't do this work alone. You are an essential part of this fight. Your support makes it possible to challenge injustice, to amplify the voices of those who have been ignored and to drive lasting change.

Now is the time we must stand together.

Thank you for being in this fight with us.

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