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**POWER
COALITION**
For Equity & Justice

2021 ANNUAL REPORT

Letter from the CEO

In 2020, our nation faced a crisis when the COVID-19 pandemic stopped life as we knew it. **In 2021, though much of the conversation had changed, we continued to face the same challenges with deepening inequities, devastating storms, and with many people in worsening economic conditions than before the pandemic.** Power Coalition's goal is to ensure that Black and Brown people can fully engage in democracy and stand in their power. This is not possible when basic needs are not being met. Luckily, Power Coalition's team and partners are able to quickly pivot, do the work that needs to be done, and make sure that our people have what they need and are okay.

As a Black woman led organization, we know that civic engagement and community building is not either/or but both/and. At Power Coalition we work daily to change systems while feeding families, ensuring that people are vaccinated, and people have access to the ballot box.

When it matters most, we come together and take care of each other. We got into vaccine outreach not because we have a history of working on health campaigns but because of our contacts and the trust we have built in the community, we knew we could reach communities that have typically been left out of federal recovery efforts.

We know that these last two years have been hard and I hope that communities of color remain hopeful. We must continue to fight for the change that is necessary for more economic opportunity, elected leaders that are accountable, and leaders who will use the infusion of federal funds to prioritize people and real solutions to the pain being felt throughout our state.

I want community to remember that the fight is always hardest right before a breakthrough. Those that seek to maintain the status quo want to wear us down, make us feel like our voices do not matter. Please know that your voices are having an unbelievable impact because things are getting better...your voice has manifested system change on criminal justice, early childhood education, maternal health and voting rights. Please keep fighting, standing for what is right, and having your voice heard!

We are looking into 2022 with renewed optimism. We are hoping for an end to this pandemic in the coming months, have exciting advocacy opportunities for the legislative session, and know that our people will turn out to vote in the fall midterm elections.



In Solidarity and With Deep Gratitude,
ASHLEY SHELTON
Founder, President, & CEO
Power Coalition for Equity & Justice

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2021 was a challenging year for Louisiana, Power Coalition, and our partners.

We have faced seemingly insurmountable challenges of a year that started out with an attack on our nation's capital, continuing to battle COVID-19, devastating storms, and continued economic downturns that have impacted all of our lives. Despite all of this, we have seen our community members come together to care for each other and find moments of joy as we work to build a more equitable, sustainable, and just Louisiana.

Through all of this, **YOU** have continued to show up and remind us what it is what we love about our communities, about Louisiana, and why we continue to fight for people.

It is with deep gratitude that we release this end of the year report. The passion and dedication of what we have been building is evident in this work. The manifestation of hard work and commitment to creating new Power in the state speaks for itself.

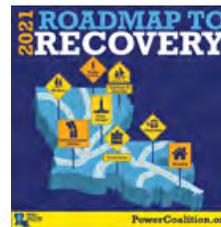
2021 Timeline



MARCH
Bring Back Louisiana
Campaign Begins

**APRIL 10-
JUNE 12**
Legislative
Session

**JUNE 20-
JULY 21**
Legislative
Veto Session



SEPTEMBER 20
Roadmap to Recovery®
Released

NOVEMBER 13
Open Primary/
Orleans Municipal
Parochial Primary
Election



MARCH 10
Municipal Primary/
Special Congressional
Primary Election



APRIL 24
Special Congressional
General Election



JUNE 12
Special Election
7th Senatorial District



AUGUST 20
Hurricane Ida

OCTOBER 20
Redistricting
Roadshows Begin



DECEMBER 11
Open General/Orleans
Municipal Parochial
General Election



Building **POWER**

2021 Highlights

We made over **3.6 million contacts** across Louisiana in 2021.



We **advocated** in all three state legislative sessions this year.



We **registered people** to vote. We **turned out voters** in **5 elections** this year.



We **jumped into action after Hurricane Ida**—granting more than \$300,000 to community organizations, in addition to providing direct cash assistance.



Over 500 people trained in equitable redistricting practices.



Over 50 COVID-19 Vaccination Events with Bring Back Louisiana.

- **Power Coalition** ran statewide GOTV campaigns for all five Louisiana elections in 2021
- **Jumped into action** after Hurricane Ida
 - **More than \$300,000 in grants** to over 20 community organizations
 - This included **\$150,000 in direct cash assistance** within a week of the storm
 - Worked with partners in the government's office to **move the election so that community could actively participate**
- **Louisiana expanded democracy** while much of the country was going in the other direction
 - **Act 22** extends the amount of time you can spend in the voting booth
 - **Act 365** extends early voting for presidential elections
 - **VOTE's leadership** passed **Act 127** that will make registering to vote easier for people with prior convictions.
- **Over 50 COVID-19 vaccination events** with Bring Back Louisiana!
- Louisiana was the first state to reach **vaccinating a higher rate of Black people** against COVID-19
- 14 new **She Leads Civic Engagement Fellows**
- **Over 500 people trained in equitable redistricting principles**
- **Amendment 1** voted down by Louisiana voters!

Powerful Partners, Powerful Work:

Power Coalition is building power across Louisiana with our partners. We are proud to stand beside our partners as we build a more equitable state.

2021 Community Wins

- **Power Coalition and Partners advocated for community members in the Louisiana Legislative Session in 2021.**
- **VOTE advocated for Act 121 to end the lifetime jury service ban on people with felony convictions.**
- **VOTE advocated for Act 271 to require that a person is informed about how a felony conviction will impact their lives before they plead guilty to a crime and Act 122 will restore parole eligibility to people after completing 20 years of a sentence and reaching 45 years old.**
- **Act 406 prohibits employers from discriminating against people with a criminal history and will help our community access quality jobs!**
- **Companies will be required to provide reasonable accommodations for pregnant workers thanks to Act 393, and health insurance can cover doula and midwife services due to the passage of Act 182.**
- **Act 123 eliminates the court costs, fines, and fees on children in the juvenile system.**
- **New Orleans elected its first Black female sheriff** due to the dedication of community partners holding candidate forums, talking to communities, and making the issue of justice clear to voters
- **Bring Back Louisiana** hosted hundreds of COVID-19 vaccine events across Louisiana, **vaccinating thousands of community members and protecting our state from COVID-19.**
- **Rise St. James** is pushing back against the petrochemical industry and **the development of the Formosa Plant has been put on pause.**
- **Women With A Vision** in partnership with the Columbia University, Mailmen School hosted a convening to draw the connections between environmental justice and reproductive justice.

Executive
Committee





POWER is built by working together across issue and policy areas, and constructing a shared frame for advocacy with one voice.



Get Out The Vote 2021



Field Strategy

There are no off years for elections and there is nowhere this is more true than in Louisiana. In 2021, between a presidential election and a midterm election, Louisiana had 5 rounds of local and state elections.

At Power Coalition, we know that all politics are local and that there are real implications for our communities when we show up and vote in every election.

In 2021, there were a number of historic wins at the ballot box. Louisiana voters rejected Amendment 1, keeping taxes locally controlled. New Orleans elected its first Black woman sheriff, a campaign championed by our partners VOTE and OPPRC, and voters continued showing up for local elections.

Following the 2020 presidential election, many voters in Louisiana felt like we had been focusing on elections, that the election season was unending, and that it was hard to keep showing up at the ballot box. **Power Coalition and our partners continued to make voter contacts, register voters, and remind people that a democracy works best when we all stay active and engaged.**



Over
925,000
Texts Sent

Over
138,000
Call Attempts



56,000
Doors Knocked

10
Candidate
Forums Hosted



Black women are the catalyst for change in their families and communities.

Registration Deadlines: Oct. 13 in person or by mail • Oct. 23 online

Oct 30 - Nov 6 Early Voting
Nov 13 Election Day
Dec 11 General Election

PowerCoalition.org/Vote

YOUR VOTE YOUR POWER

Elected officials are determining our quality of life. Their decisions impact our education system, public health, air and water quality, public safety, and so much more.

Your community needs you to use your voice and your power!

Register to vote online before **October 23** to vote in the November elections and before **November 20** to vote in December.

Register to vote online at geauxvote.com

Icons: Education System, Public Safety, Water Quality, Air Quality, Healthcare

ATTENTION: Upcoming Statewide Elections

Open Primary/Orleans Municipal Primary Election Day: **November 13**

Open General/Orleans Municipal General Election Day: **December 11**

Register to Vote and Find Your District: PowerCoalition.org/Vote

Over
2 Million
Digital Ad Impressions

Get Out The Vote 2021



Timeline of Elections

Our GOTV work is data driven and uses the state Voter File to identify new voters and people who have not voted in the last election so that we can reach out and encourage them to engage with the process. By using texts, phone calls, door-to-door outreach, and events we are able to reach more voters of color to make sure that they know how to cast their vote.

DYNISHA ANGLE
Data & Targeting Director



MARCH 10

Municipal Primary/Special Congressional Primary Election



APRIL 24

Special Congressional General Election



JUNE 12

Special Election 7th Senatorial District



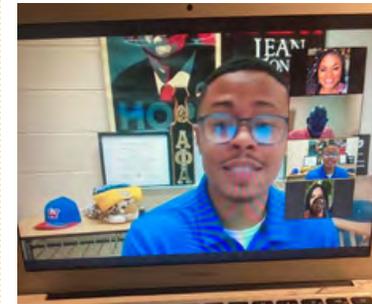
NOVEMBER 13

Open Primary/Orleans Municipal Parochial Primary Election



DECEMBER 11

Open General/Orleans Municipal Parochial General Election



Get Out the Vax



In the last weeks of 2020, The United States saw a glimmer of hope to end the COVID-19 pandemic when vaccines were granted emergency FDA approval and started immunizing healthcare workers. As Louisiana and the nation battled a deadly surge over the holidays, it was exciting to see an opportunity to protect ourselves, our loved ones, and our communities.

In March 2021, Power Coalition joined the Bring Back Louisiana campaign, with support from Made to Save, to get communities vaccinated. In particular, we were reaching Black and Brown populations that were not getting vaccinated at the same rate for a variety of reasons.



Our data team identified community members in low vaccination areas and **we reached out via text, phone calls, and mobilized our canvassing team to go into neighborhoods and speak with people about any questions they may have had about COVID-19 vaccinations.**

Canvassers connected people with vaccine locations, shared their own experiences getting vaccinated, and provided accurate information about the vaccine and the importance of getting vaccinated to curb the spread of the virus and end the pandemic.

ATTENTION: SLEEVES UP Vaccination Event
The COVID-19 vaccine is the best way to protect yourself and family members from COVID.

Saturday, August 28 • 12:00 - 4:00 PM
Louisiana Soul Food Festival • Louisiana Fair Grounds
3701 Hudson Ave., Shreveport, LA 71109

Free Pfizer and J&J vaccines available.
Walk-in Event. Ages 12+ for the Pfizer Vaccination.

The first 100 people who get vaccinated the same day will receive:

- Free Festival admission
- Free Sonic Gift Card
- Entered to win a brand new Chromebook
- Entered to win a pair of Beats by Dre headphones

PowerCoalition.org

Power Coalition has been working with the **Bring Back Louisiana** campaign since the end of April to get Louisiana vaccinated!

POWER COALITION made to save SLEEVES UP BRING BACK LOUISIANA

In 2 months, our canvassers have knocked on over 36,000 doors and have talked to over 14,000 people about getting vaccinated!

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When you have people from your own community that you know, it definitely makes a difference when it comes to making a decision about getting vaccinated. A lot of the messaging about the vaccine was not geared towards our communities and we know that we can reach people who typically are left behind by other systems.

-Candice Battiste
Community Organizer



Vaccine Outreach



144,971
Doors Knocked

Over **1 Million** Social Media Impressions encouraging people to get vaccinated



Over **70,000** Texts Sent To Get Out The Vaccine

Over **287,000** Calls About Vaccines



Louisiana became the first state to have a higher rate of vaccination in Black populations than White populations.



Over **50** Vaccine Events Around the State

Legislative SESSIONS



What happens in the state legislature greatly impacts our day to day lives. Power Coalition and our partners advocated for a number of bills that became laws while pushing back against policies that would not create a more equitable state. We were excited to continue to bring people to the capital to speak with legislators, testify, and stand in solidarity with other community members to demand legislation for a fair and equitable Louisiana.

Power Coalition is lucky to stand in deep partnership with a variety of subject matter experts while maintaining our commitment to expanding access to democratic institutions.

The Power Coalition team successfully advocated for multiple democracy expanding laws, a large challenge following the 2020 election season. Act 365 extends

the early voting period for presidential elections and Act 22 doubles the amount of time a person can spend in the voting machine.

Our partners were incredibly active in this legislative session as well, advocating for and passing legislation to decriminalize small amounts of marijuana, extend healthcare coverage for doulas and midwives, create a Fair Chance in Hiring Act, end fines and fees in the juvenile justice system, restore jury eligibility for formerly incarcerated people, and more.



1470 Messages were sent by community to legislators to support or oppose proposed policies.

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Democratic Expansion Laws Were Passed

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Special Veto Session held where NO vetoes were overturned!

Legislative Session SPRING 2021

HB 285 **Three Minute Rule**
Sponsored by Rep. Ted James

3 minutes is not enough time for many people when we vote on Constitutional amendments, multiple offices, and local ordinances.

There are a number of populations that are able to cast their vote independently but may need more time:

- people who speak english as a second language
- elderly people
- people with disabilities
- people who are not able to look up the ballot ahead of time

1481 words
Number of words on the November 2020 ballot in East Baton Rouge Parish.

214 words
Average number of words an adult can read in three minutes.

Contact Your State Senator to Vote Yes On HB285!

PowerCoalition.org/TakeAction

Legislative Session SPRING 2021

HB 286 **Early Voting in Louisiana**
Sponsored by Rep. Fred Jones

HB 286 Passes the Senate Unanimously!!

This bill extends early voting for presidential elections to 11 days!

What's Next?
Once the law is signed by the Governor, it will go into effect on January 1, 2022

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We are proud to work with our coalition partners every legislative session to make lasting change in Louisiana.

For too much of our history, the voices of people of color were left out of the decision making process, and now we are advocating for legislation that centers equity and justice.

—Ashley Shelton
 Founder, President, & CEO

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Legislative Wins

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Power Coalition for Equity and Justice engages in advocacy and policy work in accordance with all 501c3 regulations. Our policy work is centered around education and community engagement to ensure equity in the process. Any lobbying work is done through our c4 partner organization, Power Coalition for Electoral Justice and is funded separately.

Disaster Relief

Louisiana is a disaster prone state. As a gulf state we face hurricanes, with increasing regularity and strength, flooding, and other natural disasters in addition to man made disasters such as infrastructure failure.

Disasters intersect with every part of our lives, interrupting jobs and school, damaging or destroying homes, disrupting supply chains, and unfortunately, even causing injury or deaths in our communities.

Often labeled a resilient state, Louisiana citizens consistently face these challenges with little support, instead relying on each other to rebuild what has been lost. Though it is with admiration that we see our community be there for each other time and time again, we also wish that our federal and state governments could move resources faster to get into communities and make an impact.

Power Coalition continues to show up ahead of and immediately following disasters to fill that gap and ensure that people have resources that they need to survive and find safety after a disaster.

This year, Hurricane Ida devastated the River Parishes and left parts of New Orleans without power for over a week. **Power Coalition and partners quickly mobilized resources and used community connections to help people and make communities whole again.**



Community Outreach

In the first week after Hurricane Ida, **Power Coalition gave over \$200,000 in direct aid** to communities across Southeast Louisiana.

During the recovery process, **Power Coalition gave more than \$300,000** and is continuing to support communities



Over 140 Volunteers Distributed 700 Meals and Mucked, gutted and tarped 55 homes



Over 50 Cleaning Kits Distributed



Time and time again we have seen our communities failed during and following disasters. **We know that in order to really uplift our communities we must work on building communities year round and being a trusted voice and resource center for our people.** As a Black women led organization we know that our communities are powerful and that our voices matter. We are dedicated to ensuring that no one is left behind—particularly in their time of need.

-MORGAN SHANNON

Director of Strategic Partnerships



Community Outreach

20 Organizations received disaster grants from Power Coalition to carry out disaster response work.

- ➔ New Orleans Workers' Center
- ➔ United Houma Nation
- ➔ Terrebonne Parish NAACP
- ➔ Baton Rouge Community College
- ➔ The People's Creed
- ➔ P.R.E.A.C.H. Baton Rouge
- ➔ Rise St. James
- ➔ Inclusive Louisiana
- ➔ Concerned Citizens of Saint John
- ➔ The Descendants Project
- ➔ Pointe-au-Chien Tribal Community
- ➔ Orleans Parish Prison Reform Coalition
- ➔ House of Tulip
- ➔ and others.



15,000
Texts Sent To
Connect People With
Resources

20 Community Meetings with FEMA and community to help people apply for federal assistance



Redistricting

Redistricting has been one of the areas we have identified as a point of power for years. Redistricting happens only once a decade and is when new political districts are drawn to reflect the updated population collected by the census.

In 2020, Power Coalition ran our statewide Count Me In Campaign to get every person and community counted so that Louisiana could get every federal dollar we deserve and that political districts would be closer to representing the communities.

Despite Black people making up over 33% of the population, only one of the six Congressional districts are majority-minority, and only one of eight in Louisiana's federal delegation is a person of color.

Districts are drawn by our state legislators who traveled through Louisiana speaking with communities about how they want their districts to be drawn.



Over 1000 people trained in equitable redistricting principles



Redistricting Outreach

3 Redistricting Fellows



6 Redistricting Roadshow Trainings



To prepare communities for these conversations, Power Coalition trained community members in the redistricting process. In partnership with NAACP LDF, the ACLU, and other partners across the state, hundreds of people learned about how political districts “crack” and “pack” voters, how redistricting can limit voter power, and how to testify for their communities.

Power Coalition has been providing material, financial, and planning support for organizations who are organizing for redistricting in their own communities.

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Redistricting is critical to us having full political power. This is why we have been strategizing, organizing, and working with community members to make sure we reach every part of this process.”

-CARLOS POLLARD, JR.

Redistricting Fellow

Redistricting Outreach



5 CROWD Redistricting Academies Hosted

2 hosted in 2020 and 3 hosted in 2021

12 Organizations Received Redistricting Mini Grants

\$44,000 Re-granted to Community Organizations for Redistricting

350 people brought to Baton Rouge for Redistricting Days of Action



Environmental Justice

Power Coalition, in partnership with the Louisiana Bucket Brigade, has been building power across Louisiana to increase the capacity and work of environmental justice organizers. The impacts of Climate Change are visible in our communities and in a state that has historically relied on the oil and gas industry, we have a long path ahead to change our economy, build climate resilient infrastructure, and protect our communities from daily environmental harms, and the larger disasters.

There is an intrinsic link between the environment, our health and safety, and regional opportunities.

Louisiana is a resource rich state but unfortunately this has been taken advantage of by corporations that have polluted our water ways, our air, and paid limited taxes.

Communities are fighting back and WINNING. We are proud to stand in deep partnership with organizations around the state, most of which are led by Black women, to fight against corporate interests and protect communities.



Organizations in the Cohort

- RISE St. James**
- Concerned Citizens of St. John**
- Louisiana League of Conscious Voters**
- Greater New Orleans Interfaith Climate Coalition**
- Coalition Against Death Alley**
- Inclusive Louisiana**
- Residents for Air Neutralization**
- Power Coalition for Equity and Justice**
- Louisiana Bucket Brigade**
- Descendents Project**
- Vessel Project**

3 Media Trainings With Environmental Justice Organizers to Expand Their Reach





Louisiana faces the impacts of huge polluters' AND the climate impacts of the pollution--sea-level rise, flooding, extended and deadlier hurricane season, heat waves, and more. This is why the environmental justice organizing here runs so deep. **This isn't about gardening or picking up trash--it's about families losing their roof and their uncle to cancer in the same year.** It's about fighting companies who put toxic facilities on graves of enslaved ancestors to pollute their descendants. It's no surprise that grassroots Environmental Justice (EJ) groups were some of the first to respond to the devastation of Hurricane Ida. **It's an honor to work with our EJ cohort to support their missions, while reinforcing our own: that the people closest to the problem are closest to the solution.**



-Taylor Hodge
Program Coordinator

Wheel of CHANGE



Gun Violence

Louisiana has one of the highest rates of gun violence in the country including the 2nd highest rate of gun homicides in the nation.¹ Gun violence has permeated many communities and has become the leading cause of death among children and teens in Louisiana, and Black children and teens are 4 times more likely to die from guns than white children.² Any death from guns is one too many. Power Coalition, in deep partnership with Faith in Action and a variety of other partners, is working to slow this epidemic, particularly in Baton Rouge.

Power Coalition and partners are proposing using a public health approach to violence prevention—addressing trauma, mental health, and the effects of poverty—and implementing some of the best strategies recommended by criminologists throughout the country to ensure public safety for all of Louisiana.

We hosted more than 20 listening sessions in 2021, connecting with hundreds of people to hear directly from community members about their experiences with gun violence and their solutions to reduce violence in their communities.

¹<https://maps.everytownresearch.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/Every-State-Fact-Sheet-2.0-042720-Louisiana.pdf>

²<https://maps.everytownresearch.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/Every-State-Fact-Sheet-2.0-042720-Louisiana.pdf>



Faith Based Community Outreach



**More Than
20
Listening Sessions
Hosted With
1,000
Conversations**



We are committed to reducing violence in our communities by **engaging in meaningful public safety initiatives** such as ensuring people have access to resources, meaningful jobs, educational opportunities, and more.

-KAITLYN JOSHUA
Community Organizer

She Leads

Investing in women and women-led activism is one of the most powerful levers we have to change the trajectory of communities. In 2021, Power Coalition welcomed our second cohort of She Leads Fellows and have been supporting their civic engagement work through leadership and empowerment training, financial support, and cultivating a network of dedicated women of color in Louisiana.

The She Leads Fellowship is building a statewide network of women activists who are disrupting the current power structures and realizing change in their communities. **In 2021, Fellows were working to combat housing insecurity, grow voting access organizations, advocate for reproductive justice, and write children's books about current topics.**



She Leads' creates space for women of color and provides the resources necessary to succeed. Implementing a Race

and Gender analysis to social justice work is pivotal in fighting for justice moving forward-- this requires not only diversity but equity and ensuring folks who experience different lives can benefit and participate fully.

-JANEA JAMISON
Director of Programs



By the Numbers

14
Cohort
Members

Over \$50,000
in Leadership and
Program Development
Grants for Fellows



Fellows in
7
Different
Parishes



Power Coalition was founded to expand democratic access and boost civic engagement in Black and Brown populations in Louisiana but in the face of repeated and constant disasters we know that we can not make systemic change if our people and communities are not whole. For this reason, **we thread community programming, resource distribution, and community building into all of our work and are committed to providing a variety of services in times of need.**

Since the inception of this state and nation, policies and programs were not made to support the wellbeing of people of color, and even less the intersectionality of our communities.

While we dedicate our work to tearing down barriers and systems of oppression, we also show up for the day to day lives of our neighbors and communities.

This work is not achieved in a single day or week, but Power Coalition remains dedicated to the transformative power of community building, systemic change, and radical community care.

- ➔ **Hundreds of pounds of baby supplies donated** after Hurricane Ida
- ➔ **Pallets of ice distributed** after Hurricane Ida
- ➔ **Direct cash assistance provided** for participants in Power Coalition programs
- ➔ **Thousands of dollars spent on investments in community events**
- ➔ **Hundreds of bikes rented to get people to vote in a fun and healthy way**





Looking Forward



Check Us Out in 2022

The work is far from over. 2022 is already shaping up to be one for the books with a Special Redistricting Session to draw new political districts, a large legislative session when legislators can propose an unlimited number of bills, and a contentious midterm election, all while we continue to live in a pandemic world.

Power Coalition and partners are looking towards these challenges with optimism because we know our communities are ready for change.

We have educated thousands of people about the importance of redistricting, in 2021 more people than ever contacted their legislators through our tools, and Black and Brown voters continue to show up at the ballot box and elect candidates to represent them.



FEBRUARY 1-20, 2022

Redistricting Special Session



MARCH 14-JUNE 6, 2022

Regular Legislative Session



MARCH 26, 2022

Open Municipal Primary Election



APRIL 30, 2022

Municipal General Election



NOVEMBER 8, 2022

Open Congressional Primary Election



DECEMBER 10, 2022

Open Congressional Primary Election



- ➔ **Follow Power Coalition's Environmental Justice Cohort members** as they fight back for our safety!
- ➔ **Power Coalition is a member of Baton Rouge's Equal Pay Commission!**
- ➔ **She Leads Fellows are finishing their fellowship** and working in communities across the state!
- ➔ Power Coalition will be working on a **slate of democracy expanding bills this legislative session.**
- ➔ **We will be hosting voter registration drives** to ensure our communities VOTE in the midterm election this year!
- ➔ **We will continue to get our community vaccinated** with giveaways, events, and more!
- ➔ **Join our Powerful volunteer team** to remind your people to vote, contact their legislators, distribute resources and more!

Get Involved!

In 2022 it is more important than ever that community members get involved in this work at all levels! Wondering where to start? **Here are some ideas:**

Check your voter registration status and **vote in EVERY election**



Follow Power Coalition and our partners on social media to watch for action alerts during the legislative session.



Contact your legislators and ask them to support bills that increase equity.



Start a Power Cluster in your area to **organize volunteers.**



Sign up to text community members to remind them to vote.



Host a voter registration drive using our resources.



Share our posts on social media to ensure that your contacts have accurate information.



Sign up for our newsletter to stay up to date on all things Power Coalition!





Press HITS



Grassroots Groups in the South's least vaccinated states take on hesitancy.



Every Voice Matters: Why Redistricting Is Important



Disaster Recovery: A System That Continues to Fail Its People



On Hurricane Ida, COVID-19, and trauma: Resilience cannot be a permanent state



Louisiana has a voting access problem; expanding the number of voting days could help



Staging Nov. 13 election has been tough.



There are 4 constitutional amendments on Louisiana ballots Saturday. Here's what they mean.



Civil rights groups push for redistricting to increase chance of second Black Louisiana lawmaker.



Partner Spotlight: Power Coalition for Equity and Justice Delivers the goods



Resiliency Politics & Mutual Aid in the Wake of Hurricane Ida



Stop Asking Us to Be Resilient: On Hurricane, Ida, COVID-19, and Trauma in Louisiana



'It's always urgent when it's about vote, voice and power.'



12 organizations directly helping Black, brown victims of Hurricane Ida



Black Southern Women's Collective Urges Candidates to Focus on needs of Marginalized People and Not Police Budgets



New Orleans could see Entergy bill hike to cover company's Ida recovery costs



Louisiana judge rejects request to resume \$300-a-week federal benefits for jobless residents



How door-to-door canvassing became the 'heartbeat' of Louisiana's COVID-19 vaccination campaign



Voting to Determine Your Health



Additional early voting days nearly secured in Louisiana



La.'s GOP lawmakers now support COVID-19 accommodations for upcoming elections



Louisiana Power Coalition seeks to reach immigrants who avoided 2020 Census



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