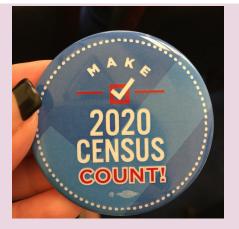
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Join NALEO's Get-Out-the Count (GOTC) Campaign

NALEO has launched a GOTC Campaign. There are two ways to sign up and get information to prepare for Census 2020.

- Text CENSUS to 97779 to optin and subscribe to SMS/ Census GOTC (standard messaging rates apply).
- Send an email to censusGOTC@naleo.org with "Subscribe" in the subject line to join Census GOTC email list. You will be connected with your regional contact to join local or regional efforts in your area.

NAHCO March Meeting Highlights

Guest speaker Eleanore Blume, Special Assistant Attorney General for California Attorney General Xavier Becerra, provided and update on the 2020 Census, including discussing legal issues around a citizenship question and what the state is doing to prepare for the count. Ms. Blume also shared information on special initiatives from AG Becerra's Office. States in attendance were California, Arizona, Colorado, New York, New Mexico, Texas, and Florida. NAHCO members also met with UnidosUS and NALEO during the 2018 NACo Legislative Conference.

Resources Sign Up:

- NAHCO is partnering with NALEO to provide NAHCO members with state specific Census 2020 Talking Points, including undercount statistics. If you would like a copy for your state email <u>sbenatar@nahco.org</u>
- NAHCO will be launching an online platform for members to share what they are doing to prepare for the 2020 Census. If you would like to sign up to be a part of this, email <u>info@nahco.org</u>
- NAHCO will be launching an educational webinar series for members. Topics for 2018 will include DACA, TPS, Get out the Vote campaigns, Census 2020, and information on unions and what they do. Want to get on our email list? Email info@nahco.org

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Census 2020 News Corner

NAHCO Members Commissioner Bonilla from



Orange County, Florida and Treasurer Benatar from Coconino County, Arizona participated in NALEO's Census Advocacy Day in Washington D.C. on March 14th. They spoke with members of Congress,

Senate, and staff on the importance of providing the Census Bureau with adequate resources to prepare for the 2020 Census.

Articles of Interest:

Bloomerg:U.S. Census Shouldn't Ask About Citizenship

MotherJones: Trump is Fundraising off a Question that Would Scare Immigrants Away from the Census US News: Underfunding, Canceled Tests Raise Fears About First-Ever Online Census

2018 Election Bills Update

Across the country local officials have been working with legislatures to introduce legislation to **expand access** to the ballot. So far in 2018, 206 bills in 30 states have been introduced to expand access to voting. These states include Arizona, California, Colorado, Florida, New York, and Washington.

As of February 2018, legislators in 14 states have introduced a total of 28 bills **restricting access** to voters.

To date, 16 states have introduced bills related to **election security**, which includes voting equipment updates and other types of security such as annual audits.

Visit the <u>Brennan Center for Justice</u> for a comprehensive look at their <u>Voting Laws</u> <u>Roundup for 2018.</u>

WE WANT TO Hear from you!

NAHCO strives to provide our members with the tools they need to be successful and resources to address issues impacting their

Latino constituents. This is why hearing from you is so important to us.

Is there a topic you want to learn more about, an issue in your community you want to discuss, or a story you want to share? Please let us know! Email us at info@nahco.org



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