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# The Race for City Hall Heats Up



Former New Orleans Mayor and present Nation Urban League President Marc Morial addresses audience about voting rights

By: Edwin Buggage  
Photos By: Glenn Summers

The fight for who will run the city for the next four years is in full swing. As the days leading up to the April twenty-second election nears, recently thirteen members of the crowded field of twenty-three candidates slugged it out in a war of words expressing their ideas and plans about who would be best suited to lead New Orleans into the future. On March 31, 2005 The Rebuild Hope Now Coalition which consists of a number of civil rights organizations, civic groups and businesses (including Data News Weekly) held the second of four mayoral forums that's planned leading up to the primary election. The room was filled to capacity, as the candidates dialoged about a wide range of issues from Peggy Wilson's proposed tax free city, to Virgina Boulet plans for universal health care and everything in between.

The moderators for this event were NNPA's Editor-in-Chief George Curry and ABC26 News Anchor Liz Reyes. Curry came out like a saber tooth tiger with his no-nonsense tone of questioning immediately asking about "The Chocolate City" and should the demographics of the city be the same as they were pre-Katrina. For as we know Mayor Nagin's comments created a firestorm that showed how deeply people are divided along racial lines and this has become a divisive and controversial issue because race has been tied into so much of the present dialog regarding the future direction of the city.

The answer to the question showed that race is still a thorny and politically potential powder keg with the candidate's responses almost being split down the center based on race. Several of the African-American candidates tackled it head

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Moderators George Curry and Liz Reyes

on like the Rev. Tom Watson who stated if he were the Mayor he wouldn't have apologized for making the remarks, and gave a resounding unapologetic yes to the question. While some

the White candidates answered the question peppering it with vague and unspecific platitudes stating everyone should have the right to come back much to the chagrin of moderator Curry.

This issue where the underlying subject is race caused a rift that led to a heated exchange between candidates Rev. Tom Watson and Peggy Wilson who said, "Some of the people are better off where

they are and it's an embarrassment but it's because the way we've done things in this city, but they are better schools, and more support in the places they are so why should they come back."

The incumbent Ray Nagin was on the offensive as he defended his record and reminded the people, "The runoff for mayor is May 20th and hurricane season starts June 1st let's finish what we've started." One of his most formidable challengers Audubon Institute CEO Ron Foreman touted his credentials as a leader in the business community for three decades as to why he should be the next mayor, proclaiming he has a proven record of getting things done and that's the reason he should be the candidate chosen to move New Orleans ahead post Katrina.

As Mayor Nagin spoke and as the incumbent he stressed

the uniqueness of his position contrasting himself in relation to his opponents saying he has built relationships and has carte blanche and immediate access to the power brokers in Washington D.C. This in his opinion would help expedite the rebuilding and repopulating of New Orleans. Challenger Lt. Governor Mitch Landrieu chimed in commenting that he to was present at meetings in Washington D.C. regarding the recovery effort and added that is important that the city and the state speak with one voice, and there is a need for a restructuring of government because of negative perceptions of Louisiana and New Orleans politics and that it is an impediment to progress.

Liz Reyes jumped into the fray posing a question about the problems residents are having with the local utility company and its ensuing bankruptcy claims and the proposed usage of block

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grant money to bail them out and what would the candidates do as Mayor to remedy what many residents are claiming is their lackluster performance post-Katrina. The majority of the candidates responded that they should not be bailed out via the grants and most agreed that those resources should be used primarily to providing adequate housing for returning residents.

Education and public safety was another hot button topic where candidate Shedrick White, the young political lightning rod who is a motivational speaker in the public schools and spoken word performer who spices up the language of his campaign with poetic verses tackled this topic with sincerity and veracity recounting an experience he had confronting both of these issues head on. "The New Orleans School Board received a call from Crime Stoppers where they thought

there was going to be some violence involving firearms. The Superintendent called me and I worked with the Housing Authority of New Orleans to resolve one of the most violent feuds at the time between the kids from the St. Bernard and St. Thomas Housing Developments."

After closing remarks by the candidates where they spelled out the themes of their campaigns for the attendees, the forum ended with a few words from the former Mayor and President of the National Urban League Marc Morial. In his talk although brief it was powerful and heartfelt as he stressed the importance of



Candidates Peggy Wilson, Shedrick White, Rev. Tom Watson and Ray Nagin during Mayoral Forum.

protecting displaced residents right to vote, "The government has spent tax payers dollars to set up polling places in the U.S. for Iraqi citizens displaced in

cities in the United States to vote in an election in Baghdad." As he continued his voice rose to a fever pitch as he passionately said, "They were not asked to

vote through the mail, they were not asked to fax in a form, they were given the opportunity to vote, and what's good for them is good for New Orleanians."

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Rep. Cedric Richmond and  
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# NEWSMAKER

## New Orleans Voting Rights March

### *The Making of History*

By: Edwin Buggage

Photos By: Glenn Summers

It was an unseasonably warm day of early spring in New Orleans, and it got even hotter as the Rev. Jesse Jackson organized a rally and march protesting the fairness of the April 22nd elections. This historic event began at the New Orleans Convention Center; the same location where the world witnessed desperation and deprivation as the world's perception of the city as this mystical otherworldly place far removed from the rest of the world was changed forever. Right before their eyes they witnessed a New Orleans one could never imagine, contrary to popular belief the city was not only a place that has this antiquated beauty and unusual social customs, but behind the façade it is steeped and mired with third world conditions, racial inequality and widespread poverty.

It's been nearly eight months since the Hurricane Katrina and the breaching of the levees destroying much of the city, and with that many citizens futures are also uncertain, "This election may be one of the most important in the history of New Orleans" according to Louisiana Legislative Black Caucus Chair Cedric Richmond. In response to what can be perceived as a lack of concern of the state and national government, Jesse Jackson along with other notable figures from the world of politics, academia, activist groups, entertainment and most importantly the residents came together to speak with one voice. In an attempt to address the problems that countless displaced New Orleansians are facing in regarding their rights to vote.

At the rally the podium was shared by many, as powerful words filled the humid air, Rev. Jesse Jackson, Al Sharpton, Bill Cosby, Michael Eric Dyson, Congressman William Jefferson were just a few of the persons who spoke before the march offering words of inspiration and hope igniting the crowd as they cheered in anticipation of the march they hope would place the spotlight on their dilemma. Many voices were heard during the two hour rally, but the theme was a common one, that displaced residents should be given the right to choose those who represent them in elected office. As final preparations were being made about the ensuing march the crowd was treated to musical performances by New Orleans icon George Porter and by the Grammy Award Winning artist John Legend.



Rev. Jesse Jackson, Texas U.S. Congresswoman Shelia Jackson Lee, and Rev. Al Sharpton during historic march

resemble 'Bloody Sunday' with people receiving any bodily harm. This day would be one where the people made a statement to the world and triumphed.

The march was more than a protest it had the feeling of a family reunion, as people spotted friends, relatives and loved ones who they hadn't seen since Hurricane Katrina's wrath washed away for many their lives, livelihoods, mementos and memories. Joy filled reunions were ever present, as perspiration married tears as people embraced one and other and got reacquainted. Vehicles on the other side of the crowded bridge joined in lending their support with the symbolic gesture

of blowing their horns, and shouting we're coming back, nobody can hold us back.

The march ended at the Oakwood Shopping Mall where weary bodies rested briefly before the start of another rally; on the stage and in the parking lot there weren't any shortages of smiles on the faces of the organizers and the participants who saw this event as a success. One in which African-Americans came together for a common cause, as NAACP Chairman Bruce Gordon said, "Some people think we cannot come together, but here you have all these different organizations represented up here standing together united." Rev. Jackson reminded the captive audience that this is not the end, that it is only the beginning. Rev. Al Sharpton soon followed by saying that economic unity is as important as political unity.

The rally soon ended but April 1, 2005 will always hold a special place in the hearts, minds, and imaginations for those who courageously walked the road less traveled. There were no fools walking across the bridge on this day; it was concerned citizens fighting for the right to live and enjoy the rights granted to them as Americans; the right to vote. As they walked they stood on the shoulders of giants that came before them. Not only the big name civil rights leaders in our history books, but the ones as who are like the title of John Legend's hit record the 'Ordinary People' of this generation, and those 'Everyday People' who risked their lives in past generations so that future generations could have a better life and expanded opportunities. And on this day thousands gathered to march for the right to vote, and with doing so have become part of history; as the struggle for freedom and equality continues.



Thousands participate in march and rally



Jesse Jackson, Al Sharpton, and Marc Morial

Soon the march began as the Mississippi River Bridge was filled with the several thousand people who chose to trek across it in the name of freedom and equality. Spirits of the past seemed to loom; and visual images of people marching in unison reminiscent of the march from Selma to Montgomery Alabama led by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. across the Edmund Pettis Bridge in 1965. But this Saturday would not

## STATE & LOCAL NEWS

# Citing sacrilege, New Orleans archbishop closes historic black church

NEW ORLEANS, La. – Citing “sacrilege” by demonstrators who disrupted a Mass, Archbishop Alfred C. Hughes of New Orleans has ordered the removal of the blessed sacrament from historic

St. Augustine Church and said it will be closed “for the foreseeable future.”

The order came March 27, the day after sign-waving protesters repeatedly interrupted a priest

trying to celebrate Mass in the church, causing the liturgy to be terminated.

St. Augustine Parish, in the Tremé neighborhood of New Orleans next to the French

Quarter, was founded in 1841 as a multicultural parish attended by free African-Americans, slaves and whites. It calls itself the nation’s oldest predominantly African-American parish and was the birthplace of the Sisters of the Holy Family, the second-oldest congregation of African-American women religious.

Following the recommendations of an archdiocesan pastoral plan in the wake of Hurricane Katrina, Archbishop Hughes had earlier decided to close the small parish, merging it with neighboring St. Peter Claver Parish, but to keep the church building open for one Mass each Sunday.

Under the plan, announced in February, seven parishes in the archdiocese were closed and 23 others have been put on hold until enough people return to warrant their reopening.

After the disruption of Mass March 26, the archbishop announced that St. Augustine Church had been “desecrated” and would be closed.

He also called on individuals who had occupied the parish rectory for more than a week to “vacate the

premises immediately” and he asked that church property “be secured.”

Once a church is desecrated, it cannot be reused until it is reconsecrated,” he said.

“I am very open to the reopening of the church once safety can be guaranteed and once we can have it reconsecrated,” he said.

Calling the disruption of Mass a “very serious desecration,” he added, “What we as Catholics call a sacrilege was committed there.”

Edmundite Father Michael Jacques, pastor of St. Peter Claver Parish, which is also predominantly African-American, was the celebrant of the March 26 Mass. It was intended to mark a welcoming of St. Augustine parishioners into the new faith community, but it never got that far.

St. Augustine Parish was officially closed March 15 when the post-hurricane pastoral plan took effect, and its pastor, Divine Word Father Jerome LeDoux, celebrated his final Mass there March 19.

The archdiocese said the small number of baptisms, first Communion, confessions and confirmations in the parish was a factor in the decision to close it.



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## STATE & LOCAL NEWS

# Forman Plan Gives "Specifics"

The entire field of Mayoral Candidates are all promising the same things to New Orleans voters - I will bring you home; it's time to rebuild; we need a safe city-and on and on. What most of the candidates are not saying is how they will implement their lofty, if not rhetorical, promises.

There is at least one exception to the rhetoric spouting- and that is Ron Forman. Forman, who engineered the success and national acclaimed of the Audubon Zoo and the Aquarium of the Americas, gives specifics to the "how to's" of his plan. Forman has dubbed his agenda for New Orleans "Action Plan for Rebuilding New Orleans".

"I think Ron has an excellent plan", says Paul Beaulieu, political analyst. He details how he is going to bring the city back. His challenge "Beaulieu said, "is to get his plan in front of the voters and to make sure they understand



it. The beef is there".

Under Safety and Flood Protection, Forman says, "The Corp of Engineers had the

responsibility to design safe levees. They failed. My staff will work along with the Corp and monitor its progress".

Even though the Corp has been slow to consider innovative thinking and design, Forman vows to have his own team interact with the Corp of Engineers to insure new and effective ideas are part and parcel of our hurricane protection strategy.

Forman's plan for the New Orleans economy asserts a partnership among New Orleans and its neighboring parishes.

"Let's think big" says Forman, "and recognize that our economy and that of our neighbors are interdependent. I see Baton Rouge and New Orleans as 'book-ends' to a powerhouse regional economy. Dallas and Fort Worth recognized the power of partnership and both cities have benefited greatly. My plan is to create that partnership".

Another facet of Forman's "Action Plan" deals with hurricane preparedness. "I plan to better prepare our city for the force of

devasting hurricanes", Forman said-I will establish a Global Hurricane Preparedness Center to create good-paying jobs while broadening our knowledge and expertise in preventing injury, damage or loss of life", Forman said.

One of the chief concerns of New Orleans is the element of crime in the city. Forman outlined his methods to ensure a safer New Orleans". I will strengthen the new efforts of regional co-operation between New Orleans and surrounding parishes among city, state and federal law enforcement. I will ensure a reliable police presence in every neighborhood to stop crime and establish zero tolerance", Forman said

More details of Ron Forman's "Action Plan" maybe seen on his web-site, [www.formanformayor.com](http://www.formanformayor.com)



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## NATIONAL NEWS

# The State of Black America 2006:

## *Stagnation and, in some cases, 'Retrenchment'*



National Urban League President Marc Morial talks about the state of the Black Union

By. Hazel Trice Edney

NNPA Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON (NNPA) — In evaluating recent nominees to the U.S. Supreme Court, too much emphasis was placed on competence and academic achievement while not enough weight was given to basic values, retired federal Judge Nathaniel R. Jones says.

Jones' analysis appears as an essay in the National Urban League's 2006 State of Black America report, released on Wednesday.

"One's fitness to be a U.S. Supreme Court justice transcends what so many focused on during the recent confirmation process — stellar academic achievements and a degree of unquestioned professional competence," writes Jones, a former lawyer for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and ex-general counsel for the NAACP. "While such credentials are relevant, they should be the beginning of the scrutiny, not the end. The critical question is one of values, not competence."

Jones noted that Chief Justice Roger B. Taney, who presided over the Dred Scott case was a supremely qualified jurist and had served as Secretary of Treasury in the Andrew Jackson administration.

"Yet, when faced with the fundamental question of whether a one-time slave, Dred Scott, had standing to sue to retain his newly-acquired free status, Justice Taney wrote that black people — slaves — were not persons within the contemplation of the framers of the Constitution and were therefore powerless to sue. Had Chief Justice Taney been imbued with a different scale of values, our national history on race might have been considerably different," Jones writes.

In another landmark case, *Plessy v. Ferguson*, then-Chief Justice Henry Billings had impeccable legal credentials.

"Justice Brown had served on the Sixth Circuit of Appeals and was the holder of degrees from Harvard and Yale," observed Jones, who retired from the same appeals court. "Yet, he lacks the values that sensitized him

to understand why the 13th, 14th and 15th Amendments had to become part of the Constitution. That responsibility fell to the lone dissenter, John Marshall Harlan, the son of Kentucky slave owners, a graduate of Centre College and Transylvania University. Justice Harlan offered an eloquent prophecy that the court and the nation would regret the doctrine it had imposed on the nation.

"At first glance, Justice Brown's academic and career credentials may have appeared more impressive than Justice Harlan's. But in the final analysis, it was Justice Harlan, with his superior values, who was unquestionably the finer judge. Clearly, if Justice Harlan's dissent had been the majority view, we would not be faced with the continuing struggles over race."

Jones' contribution was one of eight essays included in this year's State of Black America. In addition to the essays, the report presents this year's annual National Urban League Equality Index, a yardstick for measuring progress, and an analysis of African-American presence on Sunday morning talk shows.

"I wish that the Urban League could tell you that the State of Black America in 2006 was improving. We can't," said Marc H. Morial, president and CEO of the National Urban League. "We are here to tell it to your straight. The State of Black America is in trouble. We can't close the great divides in this country in a day just like we can't end poverty in a night. But we're going to start by speaking truth to power. America is not America when millions of our citizens are still viewed as a fraction of a person."

The essay on Black home ownership contains some stunning revelations.

"Between 1994 and 2004, the Black homeownership rate rose from 42.3 percent to 49.1 percent, the highest rate in history. Moreover, the Black homeownership rate grew faster than the White homeownership rate," writes Lance Freeman in "Black Homeownership: A Dream No Longer Deferred?" He continues, "Despite these impressive gains, however, the Black homeownership rate in the first decade of the 21st century was only beginning to approach the White homeownership rate of 1900."

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NNPA News Service Editor-in-Chief George E. Curry served as editor of this year's State of Black America report and wrote a chapter titled, "Racial Disparities Drive Prison Boom."

He cites a Sentencing Project report: "African-Americans who use drugs are more likely to be arrested than other groups, and then to penetrate more deeply into the criminal justice system. White African-Americans constitute 13 percent of the nation's monthly drug users, they represent 35 percent of those persons arrested for drug crime, 53 percent of drug convictions and 58 percent of those in prison for drug offenses."

Curry wrote that racial disparities grow even wider in states with "three strikes and you're out" mandatory sentencing requirements. California, the nation's most populous state, is a case in point.

Quoting one report, he writes: "Minorities tend to be arrested at higher rates than whites, then the disproportionality increases as they proceed through the system...African Americans constitute 6.5 percent of the state population but 21.7 percent of the felony arrests. Going deeper into the system, they constitute 29.7

percent of the prison population, 35.8 percent of second strikers and 44.7 percent of the third strikers.

"On the other hand, whites constitute 47.1 percent of the population but only 35.7 percent of felony arrests and 28.7 percent of the prison population. Whites constitute 26.1 percent of second strikers and 25.4 percent of third strikers. Thus, as cases move through the process into progressively harsher punishment, the proportion of whites diminishes while the proportion of African Americans increases."

Marian Wright Edleman, president of the Children's Defense Fund, quotes a German theologian who argued that the test of the morality of a society is how it treats its children. The U.S. is failing that test, especially in how it treats Black babies.

"Black babies are four times as likely as white babies to have their mothers die in childbirth. A black preschool boy born in 2001 has a one in three chance of going to prison in his lifetime; a black preschool girl has a one in 17 chance....Black youth are 48 times more likely to be incarcerated

than white youths for comparable drug offenses."

National Urban League President Marc Morial, a former two-time mayor of New Orleans, and Louisiana native Donna Brazil, a political consultant, offered deeply personal reflections on Hurricane Katrina and their hometowns.

"As we rode back across the St. Claude Avenue Bridge toward downtown New Orleans, we encountered a man walking swiftly with what appeared to be a large book," Morial recalls. "He recognized me and we embraced. He said that he had walked 55 blocks, defying the order to stay away from the lower 9th Ward area. He not only wanted to see his home, but retrieve his large family Bible. That was what he carried under his arm and he said it was one of the few things in his home that was not completely destroyed. Seeing his home had brought him to closure, and retrieving his treasured family Bible gave him the power and strength to move on."

Brazile, who grew up in Kenner, La., outside of New Orleans, writes: "Katrina struck my hometown in the early hours of the morning at the end of a

long, hot month, when people living paycheck-to-paycheck are often without resources to do more than just survive. Countless New Orleans residents, like my Dad and several of my siblings, were stuck in Katrina's path without cars, gas, money, public transportation or credit cards to take them to higher ground. More than 1 million people were displaced in the days and months following Katrina, and less than half have returned. Some may never go back home."

The National Urban League Policy Institute, based in Washington, studied the guest lineups of Sunday morning TV talk shows from January 1, 2004 to June 30, 2005. Discouraged by its findings, it launched a larger, 2-year study from January 1, 2004 through December 31, 2005.

Stephanie J. Jones writes: "Although the preliminary report was widely-publicized – with the hope that networks would take it upon themselves to present a more diverse palette – the full two-year follow-up study showed no significant progress since publication of the initial study. Indeed, in some areas there has even been retrenchment."

For example, the percentage of Sunday morning news shows with no interviews with Black guests increased between the two studies from 78 percent to 80 percent."

A widely referenced component of the Annual State of Black America is what the organization calls its equality index," measuring the decreasing or increasing gaps between Blacks and Whites in health, education, economics, social justice and civic engagement.

Of those areas, the greatest disparity was the economic gap, which more than 20 percent wider than in any other category. The median net worth of Blacks (\$6,166) is 10 times less than that of the average White family (\$67,000.) Much of that difference is because of the different rate of home ownership, with nearly 50 percent of African-Americans owning their homes, compared to more than 70 percent of Whites.

"Overall, the Total Equality Index is virtually unchanged, registering 0.73 in both 2005 and 2006," this year's report stated. "This is not surprising, since wholesale national changes move at a glacial pace."

## Experience ✦ Courage ✦ Conviction ✦ Vision ✦ Leadership



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Renee Gill  
**Pratt**  
COUNCILMEMBER DISTRICT B

### Experience:

Renee knows how, who to talk to, and where to go to solve the many problems our city faces. She knows the first responsibility of government is to its citizens and she has met with leaders in Washington and Baton Rouge to make sure that our city gets its fair share of federal and state funds and to ensure that our levees are constructed properly and in a timely manner.

### Courage:

When others were fleeing New Orleans during Hurricane Katrina, Renee stayed in the city, putting herself at risk to try to help others. Renee knew that once the storm had passed the human suffering and the damage to life and property would have to be dealt with, and she was ready to meet the challenge.

### Conviction:

Renee believes she can succeed where others have failed because of her positive attitude, her strong work ethic, her belief in the goodness of people and her faith in God.

### Vision:

Renee knows the importance of safe and reliable evacuation routes, but is also aware that everyone does not have a car or the price of an airline ticket. That is why Renee met with Amtrak, the Army and the National Guard to ensure that we can move our sick, our elderly and our poor citizens at the same time that we demand that others evacuate.

### Leadership:

Renee leads by example: She is a hands-on leader and never asks anyone to do something she would not do herself. Renee's average workday lasts 12 to 13 hours, sometimes 6 or 7 days a week. With untiring energy, Renee possesses the unique ability to multi-task and convince others to see things her way.

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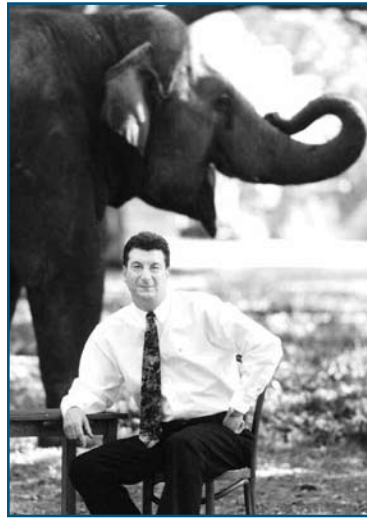


His father was a welder at the Port, his mom a bookkeeper. From them he learned the values of hard work and excellence. A proud graduate of New Orleans public schools, he attended Kingsley House and Wilson, McMain, Fortier

High, and L.S.U. He served in the Army and became a proud parent. A successful business executive, his leadership united the community in an unprecedented effort that turned a zoo that had been called an "animal ghetto" from a national disgrace into a national treasure, and built the Aquarium of the Americas when people said it couldn't be done.



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His leadership helped turn abandoned warehouses into thriving public space, including the Woldenberg Riverfront Park and the Entergy IMAX Theatre. He established the Audubon Louisiana Nature Center, Freeport-McMoRan Audubon Species Survival Center, Audubon Wilderness Park, the Audubon Center for Research of Endangered Species and the Audubon Insectarium.

**The Audubon Zoo and the Aquarium of the Americas are ranked among the top five in the nation.**

As Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce he helped create jobs. His leadership has benefited the United Negro College Fund, the LSU Health Sciences Center Foundation, and the LSU Medical Center Foundation. *Gambit* named him "New Orleanian of the Year", *New Orleans Magazine* honored him as "Man of the Decade".

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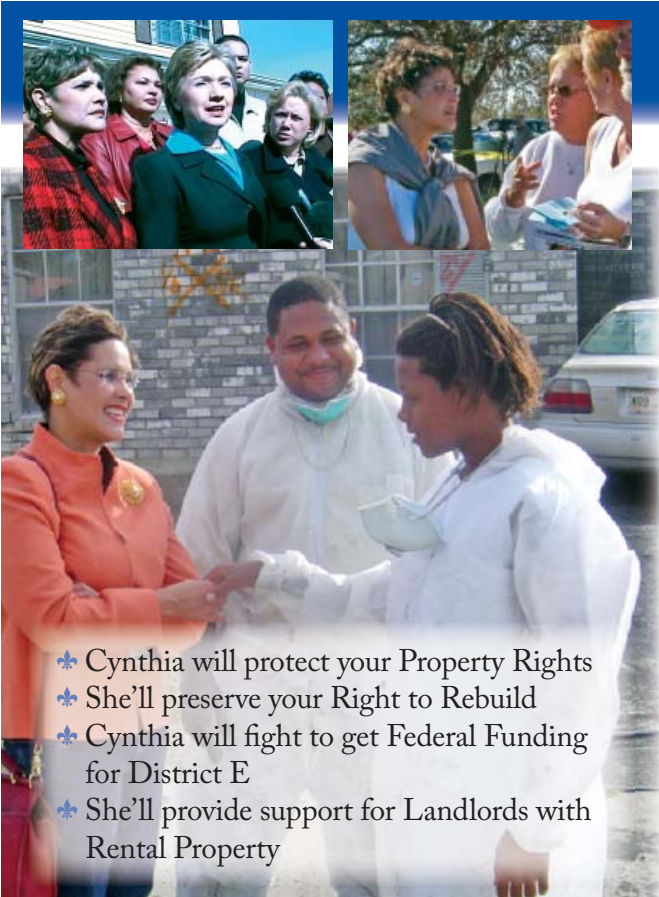
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# News Orleans Data News Weekly

## TRAIL BLAZERS

Although she has been a Data News Weekly Trailblazer before, ChiQuita Simms, Founder of DIVAdend Entertainment, Inc. has found another trail to blaze thanks to Hurricane Katrina. As for so many other New Orleanians, Katrina is the one of the worst and perhaps one of the best things to happen to them. Her story is different, in that life started throwing serious challenges at her even before that fateful day of August 29, 2005. Being the resilient woman that she is, she has found a way to turn all of her challenges into great opportunities for herself and those around her.

Simms' reaction to Katrina was no different than the collective reaction or many others. Like many New Orleanians, Simms seriously considered riding the storm out until her friends all decided to make a road trip out of their evacuation. Like most New Orleanians, the group figured that they would hang out somewhere else until the hurricane passed over the area, then return home to get back to business. History proved it was not that simple. In Simms' case it became much more complicated.

While most evacuees headed west but Simms and her party headed east planning stay in Mississippi for a few days until the storm blew over, only to find that many places were packed with evacuees. They moved on to Alabama where they found a hotel to stay in. Unfortunately that only lasted for one day since Alabama was preparing for the storm as well. Forsaking their hotel rooms, the team moved on to Atlanta; which is where they remained. Atlanta is also where Simms' life took another dramatic turn.

Simms spent her days after the storm blew over the Gulf Coast frightened. She, like others, could not contact her family who decided to ride out the storm, and she was immensely worried for their safety. She also feared for the well being of her native New Orleans. "I was glued to the TV like CNN was a soap opera," she says. "People in Atlanta were desensitized to the whole situation because they didn't understand the extent of the damage." Compounding her fears was the fact that all she could think about was her mother who was one of the family members who chose to stay behind.

There were other factors that made life in Atlanta very frustrating for Simms. Once she got as firm a grip as she could on herself and her son, she realized that funds would quickly run low, which would mean she again would have to leave her hotel room, find someplace else and eventually start looking for a long term temporary place to live in Atlanta. Additionally she contended with the sheer frustration that she was in a community that simply did not seem to care what she and other New Orleanians were going through. She comments, "It makes you mad. This is your town. These are your friends and family. I went through a lot of emotions. Atlanta didn't respond well to us. They had this attitude that they weren't going to put up with all those wild New Orleans people. It wasn't the same welcome that Houston gave people from New Orleans."



## CHIQUITA SIMMS

By: Eddie Francis

Fast-forward to one of Mayor Nagin's town hall meetings in Atlanta a couple of months later. Simms was in attendance as a reporter for Data News Weekly. She sat with other media personnel from media giants such as CNN, the Associated Press, the Fox News Network other national and international media outlets. It was at that meeting that Simms got her motivation to make a difference among hurricane evacuees in her new Atlanta community. She recalls that Mayor Nagin spoke about the city's plans to go forward with Mardi Gras. Simms felt that something was not right. "(The evacuees) felt that it wasn't right to do Mardi Gras when so many people still needed so much," she says.

What shocked her and other town hall meeting attendees was that they felt that they had gotten mixed messages about the City of New Orleans' commitment to the annual pre-Lent celebration. "We listened to Mayor Nagin and felt bad for him because we were under the impression that he had been forced to go through with Mardi Gras by the various krewes. Only to find out, that it was a City of New Orleans production! They even wanted to sell sponsorships! How are you going to have Mardi Gras but have people with no place to stay?" she wondered.

Simms decided that it was time for her to do something. She spoke to various New Orleanians in Atlanta and found that almost none of them, particularly African-Americans, cared about Mardi Gras 2006. They, like so many others, simply wanted to go back home in order to put their lives together. "I talked to a lot of people. I even talked to Judge Kern Reese, who's my mentor. He told me, 'ChiQuita, you've got to follow your heart.'"

That is precisely what she did.

Drawing from her deeply centered energy source, Simms called on evacuees to make their voices heard about their disapproval of the City's aggressive pursuit of Mardi Gras versus their passive approach to helping citizens put their lives back together, primarily through temporary housing. The stage for their boycott of Mardi Gras would be the annual Saints/Falcons grudge match in the Georgia Dome. She used her public relations experience to publicize the boycott on local Atlanta television channels. It worked very well as she received attention from local channels, national and international press. Along with the media support came moral and community support from those who finally understood the challenges evacuees had been facing. "The basis for the boycott was that we were against the City's choosing Mardi Gras over people," she said. Simms was very careful about making sure that people understood the evacuees' approach. "We didn't want to be a public nuisance so we tailored the boycott like a tailgate party on the day of the game. We actually had a good time."

The feedback was not all positive, however. Simms was shocked to learn from her mother that the Internet response was quite different from what she had gotten in Atlanta. She recalls her mother telling her that when she Googled her daughter with the keywords "ChiQuita Simms" and "Mardi Gras", the search results produced a multitude of venomous message board responses. "She was really afraid for me. There were all these web sites and message board comments referring to me as an 'angry, out of work n\*\*\*\*r' and all kinds of stuff. There were also things

written about me out of New Orleans like, 'If she would just get a job and stop sitting around Atlanta waiting for help, she might enjoy Mardi Gras,'" she says.

Simms gets great satisfaction in knowing that she got people to understand her and other evacuees' point of view. She is pleased with the support that she not only got from her fellow evacuees but even media people admitted that they felt that her efforts were logical and even inspirational. Simms says, "The support that I got from media was good. I got interviewed on CNN, local Atlanta outlets, travel magazines and Houston outlets." She continues, "I especially like that people got to see that I'm not just some bitter black person. They saw that I'm educated and professional."

As many in New Orleans know, Simms is no stranger to community outreach and activism. Some New Orleans students remember that she created and executed the "That's What's Up" Black History Month contest as well as a project on how violent crime affects Black History. She also volunteered at Booker T. Washington to work with students on doing event management, marketing and promotions. She fully intends to carry her efforts forward in other forms as she makes a new life for herself in Atlanta.

Simms is not only looking at community progress among evacuees in Atlanta but also progress in economic development, entertainment and leadership. Of course entertainment is her bread and butter, so she has decided to take more of New Orleans back to Atlanta. "I've started a '504 Night' at one of the local clubs," she says. Simms has also introduced "The ATL" to various brass bands, Second Line groups and New Orleans Hip Hop artists. It is as much about teaching these groups how to expand their market base as it is about entertaining folks in Atlanta. "They've never seen anything like us before. They can't believe how hyped up we get when there's a Second Line." Beyond entertainment, it is also about directing transplanted New Orleanians to resources to help them advance their lives in their new city. She laments, "Some people still don't know where to go for the simple things so I let them know where they can look for apartments or where they can get help or social services."

Simms' biggest project is her "What Now, New Orleans?" campaign. The campaign is designed to hold New Orleans politicians accountable for their decisions and leadership. This where Simms envisions networking with what she calls a "new regime" of leaders. Having taken advantage of her connections and having identified those who are the new movers and shakers, she has started connecting these new, young professional power brokers in an effort to establish a new leadership base. Simms reveals that they are even working together in order to raise funds for future campaigns for elected positions. "I'm excited! It's our time. We've got to start making moves because the people who are in office now aren't doing what they're supposed to do. So we've got to step up and take charge," she exclaims. That is why ChiQuita Simms is our March Trailblazer.

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## OPINION

# Parents, Educators NEED You!



Eddie Francis  
Data Columnist

Not quite. Teachers have a myriad of expectations they must manage. They have lesson plans to execute, students to govern; and they have administrators and parents to whom they must answer. For every guidance counselor in America there are anywhere from 400 to 500 students. Administrators are under pressure from school districts to satisfy state testing goals and, most recently, No Child Left Behind requirements for federal funding. All of that and they are in a constant race against the clock.

America's urban teachers must often learn how to manage a classroom the hard way. There are those unruly students, who tend to command most of the attention. There are also those great students, who teachers cannot afford to ignore. The students who lose out are the ones in the middle. What complicates matters is that the parents of the best students tend to show up. The parents of the lowest performing students sometimes show up. The parents of the students in the middle tend to show up the least, thus they stay lost in the shuffle.

I am not ignorant of the fact that parents work just as hard as everyone else. My wife and I will soon find out how much of challenge it is to have a child in school. There is more than one way to skin a cat, however. Attending a parent/teacher is not the only alternative for parents to show their support. Exchange phone numbers or e-mail addresses with teachers. Probably the most effective way of communicating with teachers is the old fashioned way—the note. I cannot even begin to express the utter fear I had when I carried a note home from school, knowing that my teacher would follow up with my parents.

In the new New Orleans it is up to parents to make a commitment to our children's education. If parents do not feel that educators are doing the job right, it is up to us to hold their feet to the fire. If we like what our educators are doing it is up to us to cheer them on. Whatever the case, our educators have to know that the parents are there.

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My job as an area manager for the education division of Monster Worldwide (as in [monster.com](http://monster.com)) has afforded the opportunity to mix and mingle with high school counselors and administrators throughout half of the United States for the past six years. Having become intrigued by educational leadership, particularly in urban areas, I have taken the opportunity to gather as much information as possible about the state of education in America from their perspectives. Mind you that I have not limited myself only to urban schools. I have received feedback from high schools that are public, private, rural, urban, high college-bound, low college-bound, predominately white, predominately black, predominately Hispanic and even predominately Asian. The common thread among the leaders in these schools is that they believe that the backbone of their schools is the parental community. It is no different in New Orleans.

As long as many of us are in this period of post-Katrina rediscovery, it is time for us to rediscover the needs of our children. As resilient as they are, children are still fragile. Even the toughest kids have the most sensitive spots. Even the kids who long to emulate thug life know that there are those wiser than they are. As a by-product of Pop Culture kids feel pressure to be as hard as nails in a world that they have seen will unapologetically eat them alive. Let's not forget that they do not have the greatest examples of leadership in our politicians, business people, adults in their neighborhoods and even their own parents. So, to whom can they look for guidance? Educators.

I wish that parents could see what educators deal with on a day-to-day basis. We are asking underpaid people to walk into a school full of kids and teach them. Simple, right?

# Positive Spring Break for Black College Students



Ron Walters  
NNPA Columnist

We live during a time when we have doubted the commitment of Black students to help elevate the condition of the less fortunate among us. Some of this ambiguity has been focused on college students whom we believe should know better.

They have access to the written and video legacy of past examples of individuals who have engaged in selfless struggle to advance the race so that successive generations could progress. So, this post-Civil Rights movement generation has been pummeled for the apparent lack of struggle in their DNA and their permissiveness in allowing aspects of racism to persist by often adopting neoliberal attitudes that allow them to fit in with their White peers. Therefore, to many, their strong response to the Katrina disaster this Spring Break has been surprising.

The Alternative Spring Break projects began several years ago, when press attention to thousands of students descending on places like Daytona Beach, Fla. to engage in beer-laden orgies revealed a vacuous set of values. To counter this image and the substance of this period, universities began to permit credit for positive internships, or travel abroad experiences, or other types of productive work projects.

This year, while college students have been better known for trucking to plush hideaways in Latin America, or on sunny beaches in Florida, many have dedicated themselves to working in the American Gulf to make the people damaged by Hurricane Katrina whole. Because of this desire, MTV and United Way sponsored a special project that attracted students at many universities and subsequently more than 35,000 students participated, a welcome response by students of all colors.

However, when the media began to focus on this event, stories emerged that featured students at predominantly White universities, and as I looked at the numbers of students involved, they ranged from 12 to 78 each from about 50 universities.

But nearly 250 students from Howard

University alone became involved, a number that school officials said quadrupled that of any similar period in the past. Press interview with these students revealed a strong motivation to affect change in the region, by partnering with Habitat for Humanity to rebuild homes, clean houses, remove debris, paint, and mentor students. This was reported to be empowering work, both for the students who participated and for those families and individuals assisted. In this instance, at least one major TV network recognized the uniqueness of this contribution. Last week, ABC's World News Tonight named the Howard students its "People of the Week" to devoted a segment to their work in New Orleans.

It should also be noted that students went from other HBCUs, including Morgan State University. Morgan called their project "Katrina On The Ground." HBCUs in the Atlanta area sent not only significant sums of money, but their choirs and other resources into the area. In addition, many of these institutions (Howard again in the lead) accepted many students from the Gulf region on a temporary basis, in an illustration of family solidarity. It was a positive gesture of leadership of these often-maligned institutions.

In truth, many of the HBCUs stepped up when the religious community has lagged. And although some such as the Progressive National Baptist Church has been involved since Katrina hit, this long-term commitment has not been matched by many of the other religious institutions. This is important because of the long-term spiritual and material needs required by the victims of Katrina, who find themselves thrown out of temporary hotel living quarters, still confused by the whereabouts of relatives, still suffering from illnesses, still unable to return, build and work, and unable to exercise their rights as citizens.

I applaud the students and their institutions who have helped in the Gulf. As one who spent most of his professional career at — okay, I admit it — Howard University, I am aware of the effort such institutions make to inculcate a commitment of service to community in their students. It is marvelous to see that it survives, because it is a strength of their legacy, a reason why they continue to exist, a formidable reason why they are needed and why they should flourish.

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## NATIONAL NEWS

# New Orleans Residents Ponder their Future

## KATRINA SERIES - PART 7

This is the seventh of an 8-part series of stories about the Gulf Coast and the road to recovery after Hurricane Katrina.

By. Hazel Trice Edney and Zenitha Prince  
NNPA Special Correspondents



Stray vehicles are currently one of the city's worst problems.



The power of the rushing waters left many vehicles in strange positions.

Sandra Robertson is just the kind of resident New Orleans needs to rebuild. At 36 years old, she was working as an urban planner there when Hurricane Katrina turned her life upside down. She is now living in Dallas, not knowing when – or, if – she'll return to the place she once called home.

"It's very stressful not knowing where we stand with a lot of things," she says, softly. "I have so many emotions about it and on a daily basis, it changes." Summing up the fate of more than 800,000 displaced residents, some relocated as far away as Alaska, she said: "Having to be forced to be somewhere or being somewhere that is not our choosing is emotional. But you deal with it."

Merian Gross, a retired schoolteacher, first dealt with post-Katrina New Orleans by moving in with a daughter in Washington, D.C., 955 miles away. Now, she has moved to Baton Rouge, 76 miles away from New Orleans but a lifetime away from the New Orleans she had come to know and love.

To Donna Gross McDaniel, her only daughter, Hurricanes Katrina and Rita washed away more than the city's faulty levees.

"She's always been the rock," McDaniel said of her mother.

"Now, almost every day, my Mom is crying. I keep asking her, 'What is it, Mom? What is it that I can do?' I think there's no answer because there is no answer. She wants her life back. And I can't buy that for her. I can't fix that."

The people who can fix it – at the local, state and national level – have failed residents of the Gulf areas, especially the most vulnerable – African-Americans and the poor – and are now asking the people they failed, to trust them to make things right.

Not only is incumbent mayor Ray Nagin seeking re-election, 22 candidates are lined up to show him the door. If a mayoral forum in Houston last Saturday is any indication, most have no concrete plan to return residents to a safe and thriving Crescent City. In fact, one candidate said that until there is ample housing, he wouldn't recommend that residents return.

Some former resident have relocated to other cities and have no plan to return. But others are still in limbo and, at a minimum, want to decide who will lead the city the next four years. But that won't be easy. As State Sen. Cleo Fields of Baton Rouge said in letter to the Justice Department, "300 of the City's 442 – primarily in black neighborhoods – voting precincts are unavailable for voting because

of damaged sustained in and after Hurricane Katrina."

In his letter to John K. Tanner, chief of the Voting Rights Section of the Civil Rights Division, Fields continued, "As a result of the changes in precinct location and arguably deliberate lack of information the State has provided associated therewith, the State has caused voter confusion which will clearly lead to voter dilution."

Jesse Jackson, NAACP President Bruce Gordon and other civil rights leaders are holding a march in New Orleans on Saturday seeking to have what they call an "illegal" election postponed so that more former residents can cast ballots.

The civil rights groups received a setback Monday when a federal judge refused to postpone the April 22 election.

National Urban League President Marc Morial, a former two-term mayor of New Orleans, said, "This is a Florida in the making," referring to widespread voting problems in the 2000 elections. "If you see an election train wreck coming, why not do something to prevent it before the wreck occurs?"

Those living elsewhere must either return to New Orleans to vote or fill out an absentee ballot. And that has angered some displaced residents who

witnessed Iraqi citizens living in the U.S. cast votes across the nation at satellite polling stations for an election being held in Iraq. Yet, U.S. citizens are not being accorded that same courtesy.

That's not the only indignity that afflicts them.

Because Mississippi has a Republican governor who once served as chairman of the National Republican Party and New Orleans' mayor is a Democrat as is the state's governor, Rep. William Jefferson says the Bush administration is playing politics by directing a disproportionate amount of federal recovery funds to Mississippi instead of Louisiana, where most of the damage occurred.

Jefferson keeps a 2-page sheet in his Washington office comparing the damage in Louisiana and Mississippi and the federal response.

According to his calculations, there have been 1,075 confirmed deaths in Louisiana and 231 in Mississippi; 786,372 citizens from Louisiana have been displaced, compared to 110,160 from the Magnolia state; Louisiana has lost 18,752 businesses, Mississippi, 1,912; about 10 miles of Mississippi was damaged compared to 80 percent of Orleans Parish and all of St. Bernard Parish. Although Louisiana suffered 85 percent of

the hurricane damage, so far it has received only 54 percent of federal community block grant funds. By contrast, Mississippi, with 15 percent of the damage, has received 46 percent of the block grant funds.

When asked if Mississippi is being favored because of politics, Jefferson replied: "I'm sure that has something to do with it. It should be irrelevant. Both Senators [in Mississippi] are Republicans and the governor is a Republican. On our side of it, the governor is a Democrat and our Senators are split between the two parties. So that probably has something to do with what's happening here. The chairman of the appropriations committee is also a Mississippian, Thad Cochran, on the Senate side.

"But I would think that if all these folks who are suffering in Louisiana were not predominantly poor and predominantly Black, they'd get more attention. I don't think they would be ignored and left out there the way they're being left out."

Even now, six months after the hurricanes, it is clear that New Orleans is still in need of help.

"It really does look like a ghost town still. You see people like every five blocks or so. They even found a body on Sunday... There are piles of debris in front of the

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houses. You see cars on top of cars. You see houses that are so weak that they're sinking in the middle," says Shari Logan, a Howard University student who spent her spring break helping residents clean up in New Orleans.

"At some corners, you know that a house had to have been there, but, you don't see any trace of this house. You just see stuff like pots and pans. And I saw, like, a computer. So you know that someone lived there, but you don't see any trace of the house... You see stairs, like going up to the houses. But the stairs are leading nowhere because there's nothing to step into. It's just still devastation."

Some of the devastation continues because of continued bureaucratic bungling by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), the primary federal relief agency.

It was disclosed earlier this month that 10,777 mobile homes ordered to assist victims of Hurricane Katrina were parked, unoccupied, in Hope, Ark. It cost \$300 million to \$430 million to build the homes, but FEMA said they were not sent to the Gulf

region because its regulations do not permit the mobile homes to be used in a flood plain.

Rep. Mike Ross (D-Ark.) said that's a consideration that should have been addressed before the units were built and called it "a symbol of what's wrong with this administration and what's wrong with FEMA."

The American Red Cross, the charity of choice for most Americans, has also come under fire recently. It fired two supervisors of the Gulf coast operation last week and is investigating allegations that supervisors in charge of kitchens in the disaster zone have been ordering more food than is needed. Interim Red Cross President John F. McGuire had earlier acknowledged that the agency is looking into possible criminal activity connected with the Red Cross kitchens and shelters.

The slow progress and uncertainty over the city's future – especially whether the rebuilt levees can withstand another strong hurricane – is causing die-hard New Orleans to hesitate about going back.

Terry Jones, publisher of the New Orleans Data News Weekly,

was in Atlanta when Hurricane Katrina struck. He has resumed printing his paper, changed the name to the Louisiana Data News Weekly and plans to continue to have his business operations there, though he is unsure if he will again take up residence.

"It's never going to be the same. So, it's not what you'll go back to," Jones said. "When you say 'go back home,' it's all relative, you know what I mean? Does it mean I'm going to sit down and eat crawfish? Am I going to pass through? Or what does that mean?"

Jones goes back and forth on whether he should return to his hometown. His mother and younger sister are looking to move back in May – just before the June 1 hurricane season begins – and that might influence his decision.

"One thing for sure," Jones said. "I'm not going back until after the hurricane season."

And what about those that return either before or after the hurricane season?

Families with children will have to think long and hard. Before Katrina, there were 118 public schools with 60,000 pupils. Today, only 20 schools have reopened,

educating only 9,500 students.

Parents of some relocated students are also reporting problems.

"He's having a really hard time adjusting to school and just letting go of everything back home," Aneatha Baker said, referring to her son, Gantry, 13, now attending school in Jonesville, La. She said teachers have reported that he appears agitated and is argumentative, traits he did not express in New Orleans. She said, "I guess somewhere in his mind, he figures we should be going back."

Some are undecided about whether to go back because Mayor Nagin's Bring Back New Orleans Commission has not been clear on what neighborhoods would be allowed to be rebuilt. Although the city continues to issue building permits for all sections of the city, each neighborhood is being required to prove that it deserves city service by showing that at least 50 percent of the residents plan to return.

Trying to lure tourists back to New Orleans is a critical goal if New Orleans is to be resurrected, city officials say. The \$5.5 billion tourism industry attracts more than 10

million visitors each year to New Orleans, creating more than 80,000 jobs and representing more than 30 percent of the city's operating budget, according to the New Orleans Metropolitan Convention and Visitors Bureau.

Though nowhere near its former levels, some national organizations, such as the American Library Association, the National Black Chamber of Commerce and the National Association for Equal Opportunity in Higher Education (NAFEO) have scheduled conventions there this spring or summer.

Gross, who finds herself crying more often than not, recalls a Delta Sigma Theta sorority meeting she attended.

"For all of us, everybody was like, 'Oh, I'm dying inside.' And I said, 'Me, too.' But everybody was smiling like we're doing all right. But we were doing that for each other," she stated. "We don't have any control over our lives. We don't know what they're going to do two months from now."

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Ward	Precinct	Old Polling Location (Name (in alphabetical order), Address)		New Polling Location (Name, Address)	
7	4A	A. P. Tureaud School (Formerly Marie Couvent School)	2021 Pauger St.	McDonough #35 High School	1331 Kerlerec St.
7	4	A. P. Tureaud School (Formerly Marie Couvent School)	2021 Pauger St.	McDonough #35 High School	1331 Kerlerec St.
9	43M	Abramson High School	5552 Read Blvd.	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
9	44	Abramson High School	5552 Read Blvd.	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
8	8	Abundant Life Tabernacle Full Gospel Baptist Church	1800 Arts St.	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
12	1	Agnes L. Bauduit School	3649 Laurel St.	Agnes L. Bauduit School	3649 Laurel St.
12	2	Agnes L. Bauduit School	3649 Laurel St.	Agnes L. Bauduit School	3649 Laurel St.
9	42B	Alabama St., 7925 - private residence	7925 Alabama St.	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
4	3	Albert Wicker School	2011 Bienville St.	Fern Brady Center	1019 North Prieur
9	6B	Alfred Lawless High School	5300 Law St.	New Pilgrim Baptist Church	1228 Arts St. (enter Marise St.)
9	6E	Alfred Lawless High School	5300 Law St.	New Pilgrim Baptist Church	1228 Arts St. (enter Marise St.)
15	1	Algiers Courthouse	225 Morgan St.	Algiers Courthouse	225 Morgan St.
15	3	Algiers Courthouse	225 Morgan St.	Algiers Courthouse	225 Morgan St.
15	14C	Alice Harte School	5300 Berkley Drive	Alice Harte School	5300 Berkley Drive
15	17B	Alice Harte School	5300 Berkley Drive	Alice Harte School	5300 Berkley Drive
15	18	Alice Harte School	5300 Berkley Drive	Alice Harte School	5300 Berkley Drive
15	18A	Alice Harte School	5300 Berkley Drive	Alice Harte School	5300 Berkley Drive
14	15	Allen School	5625 Loyola Ave.	Allen School	5625 Loyola Ave.
14	16	Allen School	5625 Loyola Ave.	Allen School	5625 Loyola Ave.
8	10	Almonaster Ave., 2220 - private residence	2220 Almonaster Ave.	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
9	43N	Alpha Phi Alpha House	9701 Lake Forest Blvd.	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
14	5	American Legion Post 307	5518 Magazine St.	American Legion Post 307	5518 Magazine St.
5	5	Andrew J. Bell School	2111 Dumaine St.	Jesuit High School	4133 Banks St.
5	6	Andrew J. Bell School	2111 Dumaine St.	Jesuit High School	4133 Banks St.
1	1	Andrew Jackson School	1400 Camp St.	Kingsley House	1600 Constance St.
1	2	Andrew Jackson School	1400 Camp St.	Kingsley House	1600 Constance St.
1	5	Andrew Jackson School	1400 Camp St.	Kingsley House	1600 Constance St.
2	1	Andrew Jackson School	1400 Camp St.	Kingsley House	1600 Constance St.
2	2	Andrew Jackson School	1400 Camp St.	Kingsley House	1600 Constance St.
13	15	Andrew Wilson School	3617 Gen. Pershing St.	Annunciation Church	4505 S. Claiborne Ave.
13	16	Andrew Wilson School	3617 Gen. Pershing St.	Annunciation Church	4505 S. Claiborne Ave.
14	23	Andrew Wilson School	3617 Gen. Pershing St.	Annunciation Church	4505 S. Claiborne Ave.

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12	17	Andrew Wilson School - side entrance	3614 Milan St.	McMain School (Nashville St. Entrance)	5712 S. Claiborne Ave.
12	18	Andrew Wilson School - side entrance	3614 Milan St.	McMain School (Nashville St. Entrance)	5712 S. Claiborne Ave.
12	19	Andrew Wilson School - side entrance	3614 Milan St.	McMain School (Nashville St. Entrance)	5712 S. Claiborne Ave.
9	43D	Apostolic Outreach Church	8358 Lake Forest Blvd.	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
17	9	Apple St., 8936 - private residence	8936 Apple St.	Xavier University Student Ctr.	4980 Dixon St.
14	1	Arthur Ashe School (Formerly Danneel P.V. School)	401 Nashville Ave.	American Legion Post 307	5518 Magazine St.
15	9	Arthur Mondy M. S. C.	1111 Newton St.	Arthur Mondy M. S. C.	1111 Newton St.
7	27B	Asia Baptist Church	3527 Duplessis St.	Holy Trinity Cathedral Cultural Ctr.	1200 Robert E. Lee Blvd.
14	10	Audubon School	428 Broadway St.	Audubon School	428 Broadway St.
14	11	Audubon School	428 Broadway St.	Audubon School	428 Broadway St.
12	3	Austerlitz St. Baptist Church - Vestibule	819 Austerlitz St.	Austerlitz St. Baptist Church - Vestibule	819 Austerlitz St.
8	27	Avery Alexander School (Formerly McDonough #39 School)	5800 St. Roch Ave.	Church of the Holy Comforter	2220 Lakeshore Drive
8	27A	Avery Alexander School (Formerly McDonough #39 School)	5800 St. Roch Ave.	Church of the Holy Comforter	2220 Lakeshore Drive
8	28	Avery Alexander School (Formerly McDonough #39 School)	5800 St. Roch Ave.	Church of the Holy Comforter	2220 Lakeshore Drive
8	29	Avery Alexander School (Formerly McDonough #39 School)	5800 St. Roch Ave.	Church of the Holy Comforter	2220 Lakeshore Drive
7	33	Beacon Light Baptist Church Annex	5134 Paris Ave.	Holy Trinity Cathedral Cultural Ctr.	1200 Robert E. Lee Blvd.
17	17	Bellaire Drive, 415 - private residence	415 Bellaire Drive	St. Dominic's School	6326 Memphis St.
16	1	Benjamin Bennerker School (Formerly McDonough #24 School)	421 Burdette	Audubon School	428 Broadway St.
16	1A	Benjamin Bennerker School (Formerly McDonough #24 School)	421 Burdette	Audubon School	428 Broadway St.
14	6	Benjamin Franklin Elementary School	1116 Jefferson Ave.	American Legion Post 307	5518 Magazine St.
7	36	Benjamin Franklin High School	2001 Leon C. Simon Drive	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive

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7	37	Benjamin Franklin High School	2001 Leon C. Simon Drive	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
7	37A	Benjamin Franklin High School	2001 Leon C. Simon Drive	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
11	11	Bethlehem Lutheran Church	1823 Washington Ave.	Bethlehem Lutheran Church	1823 Washington Ave.
7	30	Bienville School	1456 Gardena Drive	Holy Trinity Cathedral Cultural Ctr.	1200 Robert E. Lee Blvd.
7	31	Bienville School	1456 Gardena Drive	Holy Trinity Cathedral Cultural Ctr.	1200 Robert E. Lee Blvd.
7	32	Bienville School	1455 Gardena Drive	Holy Trinity Cathedral Cultural Ctr.	1200 Robert E. Lee Blvd.
4	4	Bienville St., 2400 - private residence	2400 Bienville St.	Fern Brady Center	1019 North Prieur
15	19A	Bo De Temple (corner Hwy. 406)	4386 Lincoln St.	Bo De Temple (corner Hwy. 406)	4386 Lincoln St.
2	6	Booker T. Washington School	1201 S. Roman	Guste High Rise	1301 Simon Bolivar
9	44F	Briarwood St., 7706 - private residence	7706 Briarwood St.	Mary Queen of Vietnam Church	5069 Willowbrook Drive
7	25	Brother Martin High School	4401 Elysian Fields Ave.	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
4	11	Canal Blvd., 5320 - private residence	5320 Canal Blvd.	St. Dominic's School	6326 Memphis St.
9	40	Cardenas St., 4611 - private residence	4611 Cardenas St.	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
7	41	Carlson Drive, 6308 - private residence	6308 Carlson Drive	Holy Trinity Cathedral Cultural Ctr.	1200 Robert E. Lee Blvd.
3	16	Carrollton Ave. Church of Christ (Mtg. Hall-rear of church)	4032 Palmyra St.	Jesuit High School	4133 Banks St.
17	13A	Carrollton Hollygrove Multi-Purpose Senior Ctr.	3300 Hamilton St.	Jesuit High School	4133 Banks St.
16	3	Carrollton United Methodist Church	921 S. Carrollton Ave.	Robert M. Lusher School	7315 Willow St.
11	14	Carter G. Woodson Jr. High School	2514 Third St.	New Zion Baptist Church	2319 Third St.
11	15	Carter G. Woodson Jr. High School	2514 Third St.	New Zion Baptist Church	2319 Third St.
9	28	Carver Sr. High School	3059 Higgins Blvd.	N. O. Baptist Theological Seminary (Hardin Student Ctr.)	3939 Gentilly Blvd.
17	19A	Center St., 6444 - private residence	6444 Center St.	St. Dominic's School	6326 Memphis St.
10	12	Central City Multi-Purpose	2020 Jackson Ave.	Dryades YMCA	2220 Oretha Castle Haley Blvd.
15	5	Central Fire Station	425 Opelousas Ave.	Central Fire Station	425 Opelousas Ave.
4	9	Central Park Place, 111 - private residence	111 Central Park Place	St. Dominic's School	6326 Memphis St.
15	13B	Christopher Homes Center	2000 Murl St.	Christopher Homes Center	2000 Murl St.
8	19	Clermont Drive, 4101 - private residence	4101 Clermont Drive	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
8	1	Colton School	1026 Spain St.	NOCCA	2800 Chartres St.
8	2	Colton School	1026 Spain St.	NOCCA	2800 Chartres St.
8	4	Colton School	1026 Spain St.	NOCCA	2800 Chartres St.
9	31	Congress Drive, 4541 - private residence	4541 Congress Drive	N. O. Baptist Theological Seminary (Hardin Student Ctr.)	3939 Gentilly Blvd.
13	6	Constance St., 5242 - private residence	5242 Constance St.	Xavier Prep School	5116 Magazine St.
7	11	Corpus Christi School	2000 Onzaga St.	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
5	4	Craig Elementary School	1423 St. Philip St.	St. Mark's Community Center (Gov. Nicholls Entrance)	1130 N. Rampart St.
6	4	Craig Elementary School	1423 St. Philip St.	St. Mark's Community Center (Gov. Nicholls Entrance)	1130 N. Rampart St.
3	8	Criminal Dist. Court Bldg. (S. White St. Entrance-Basement)	2700 Tulane Ave.	Jesuit High School	4133 Banks St.
12	14	Crocker Elementary School	2300 Gen. Taylor St.	Holy Ghost School	2035 Toledano St.
3	18	Crossman School	4407 S. Carrollton Ave.	Jesuit High School	4133 Banks St.
3	19	Crossman School	4407 S. Carrollton Ave.	Jesuit High School	4133 Banks St.
9	44D	Curran Blvd., 11427 - private residence	11427 Curran Blvd.	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
15	19	Cut-Off Community Center	6600 Belgrade St.	Cut-Off Community Center	6600 Belgrade St.
15	19B	Cut-Off Community Center	6600 Belgrade St.	Cut-Off Community Center	6600 Belgrade St.
13	8	De La Salle High School	5300 St. Charles Ave.	De La Salle High School	5300 St. Charles Ave.
9	39B	DiBenidetto Playground NORD	4731 Chrysler St.	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
9	16	Douglas High School	3820 St. Claude Ave.	St. Paul Lutheran Church	2624 Burgundy St.
9	14	Douglas High School (Formerly Nicholls Sr. High School)	3820 St. Claude Ave.	St. Paul Lutheran Church	2624 Burgundy St.

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9	11	Drew Elementary School	3819 St. Claude Ave.	NOCCA	2800 Chartres St.
9	17	Drew Elementary School	3819 St. Claude Ave.	NOCCA	2800 Chartres St.
9	18	Drew Elementary School	3819 St. Claude Ave.	NOCCA	2800 Chartres St.
13	9	Dryades St., 4727 - private residence	4727 Dryades St.	Dryades St., 4727 - private residence	4727 Dryades St.
15	18D	Dwight Eisenhower School	3700 Tall Pines Drive, Tall Timbers	Dwight Eisenhower School	3700 Tall Pines Drive, Tall Timbers
15	18F	Dwight Eisenhower School	3700 Tall Pines Drive, Tall Timbers	Dwight Eisenhower School	3700 Tall Pines Drive, Tall Timbers
15	14A	Edna Karr School	3332 Huntlee Drive	Edna Karr School	3332 Huntlee Drive
15	14B	Edna Karr School	3332 Huntlee Drive	Edna Karr School	3332 Huntlee Drive
15	14D	Edna Karr School	3332 Huntlee Drive	Edna Karr School	3332 Huntlee Drive
15	17	Edna Karr School	3332 Huntlee Drive	Edna Karr School	3332 Huntlee Drive
15	17A	Edna Karr School	3332 Huntlee Drive	Edna Karr School	3332 Huntlee Drive
9	440	Emory Road, 14731 - private residence	14731 Emory Road	Mary Queen of Vietnam Church	5069 Willowbrook Drive
11	9	Engine House #01,Task Force #5	2920 Magazine St.	Engine House #01,Task Force #5	2920 Magazine St.
3	1	Engine House #02	801 Girod St.	Jesuit High School	4133 Banks St.
2	6A	Engine House #03	1400 S. Broad @ Thalia St.	Guste High Rise	1301 Simon Bolivar
9	42	Engine House #04	6900 Downman Road	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
9	42A	Engine House #04	6900 Downman Road	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
9	29	Engine House #06	4550 Old Gentilly Road	N. O. Baptist Theological Seminary (Hardin Student Ctr.)	3939 Gentilly Blvd.
9	27	Engine House #08	3300 Florida Ave.	St. Paul Lutheran Church	2624 Burgundy St.
7	1	Engine House #09	449 Esplanade Ave.	Engine House #09	449 Esplanade Ave.
7	2	Engine House #09	449 Esplanade Ave.	Engine House #09	449 Esplanade Ave.
9	44G	Engine House #10	14069 Morrison Road	Mary Queen of Vietnam Church	5069 Willowbrook Drive
9	44N	Engine House #10	14069 Morrison Road	Mary Queen of Vietnam Church	5069 Willowbrook Drive
12	13	Engine House #11	2312 Louisiana Ave.	Holy Ghost School	2035 Toledano St.
8	25A	Engine House #12	5600 Franklin Ave.	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
8	26A	Engine House #12	5600 Franklin Ave.	Church of the Holy Comforter	2220 Lakeshore Drive
4	18A	Engine House #13	987 Robert E. Lee Blvd.	St. Dominic's School	6326 Memphis St.
4	21A	Engine House #13	987 Robert E. Lee Blvd.	St. Dominic's School	6326 Memphis St.
4	22	Engine House #13	987 Robert E. Lee Blvd.	St. Dominic's School	6326 Memphis St.
4	23	Engine House #13	987 Robert E. Lee Blvd.	St. Dominic's School	6326 Memphis St.
1	6	Engine House #16	2000 MLK Blvd.	Engine House #16	2000 MLK Blvd.
1	7	Engine House #16	2000 MLK Blvd.	Engine House #16	2000 MLK Blvd.
15	18B	Engine House #17	4115 Woodland Hwy.	Engine House #17	4115 Woodland Hwy.
4	14	Engine House #18	778 Harrison Ave.	St. Dominic's School	6326 Memphis St.
7	26A	Engine House #21	3940 Paris Ave.	Holy Trinity Cathedral Cultural Ctr.	1200 Robert E. Lee Blvd.
7	27	Engine House #21	3940 Paris Ave.	Holy Trinity Cathedral Cultural Ctr.	1200 Robert E. Lee Blvd.
9	9	Engine House #24	1042 Poland Ave.	NOCCA	2800 Chartres St.
9	12	Engine House #24	1042 Poland Ave.	NOCCA	2800 Chartres St.
17	7	Engine House #25	2430 S. Carrollton Ave.	Mater Dolorosa (Basement)	1225 Dublin St.
17	8	Engine House #25	2430 S. Carrollton Ave.	Xavier University Student Ctr.	4980 Dixon St.
7	7	Engine House #27	2118 Elysian Fields Ave.	Engine House #27	2118 Elysian Fields Ave.
7	8	Engine House #27	2118 Elysian Fields Ave.	Engine House #27	2118 Elysian Fields Ave.
9	45	Engine House #31	4300 Alba Road	Genoa St., 4373 - private residence	4373 Genoa St.
15	15	Engine House #33	3340 Gen. Meyer Ave.	Engine House #33	3340 Gen. Meyer Ave.
15	15A	Engine House #33	3340 Gen. Meyer Ave.	Engine House #33	3340 Gen. Meyer Ave.
5	12	Engine House #35	964 N. Carrollton Ave.	Jesuit High School	4133 Banks St.
5	13	Engine House #35	964 N. Carrollton Ave.	Jesuit High School	4133 Banks St.
9	41C	Engine House #37	13400 Chef Menteur Hwy.	Genoa St., 4373 - private residence	4373 Genoa St.
13	14	Engine House #38	4940 Clara St.	Newman School (Danneel St. Entrance)	1903 Jefferson Ave.
13	14A	Engine House #38	4940 Clara St.	Newman School (Danneel St. Entrance)	1903 Jefferson Ave.
9	2	Engine House #39	6038 St. Claude Ave.	Holy Angels	3500 St. Claude Ave.
15	13A	Engine House #40	2500 Gen. DeGaulle Drive	Engine House #40	2500 Gen. DeGaulle Drive
7	9A	Epiphany Hall	1949 Duels St.	Engine House #27	2118 Elysian Fields Ave.
9	36A	Ernest N. Morial School	7701 Grant St.	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
9	36B	Ernest N. Morial School	7701 Grant St.	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
9	36C	Ernest N. Morial School	7701 Grant St.	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
9	37A	Ernest N. Morial School	7701 Grant St.	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
10	11	First Street United Methodist Church	2309 Dryades St.	Dryades YMCA	2220 Oretha Castle Haley Blvd.
15	11	Fischer Elementary School	1800 Whitney Ave.	Arthur Mondy M. S. C.	1111 Newton St.

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3	10	Fisk-Howard Elem. School	211 S. Lopez St.	Jesuit High School	4133 Banks St.
9	36	Flake St., 4643 -private residence	4643 Flake St.	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
17	20	Fleur de Lis Drive, 6690 - private residence	6690 Fleur de Lis Drive	St. Dominic's School	6326 Memphis St.
8	12	Franklin Ave., 2435 1/2 - private residence	2435 1/2 Franklin Ave.	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
17	13	Friendship Baptist Church	3125 Hollygrove St.	Jesuit High School	4133 Banks St.
17	14	Friendship Baptist Church	3125 Hollygrove St.	Jesuit High School	4133 Banks St.
9	37	Galahad Drive, 4734 - private residence	4734 Galahad Drive	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
9	44E	Gaudet Elementary School	12000 Hayne Blvd.	Chef Menteur Hwy., Ste. D, 14367 - Private Building	14367 Chef Menteur Hwy., Ste.D
9	44P	Gaudet Elementary School	12000 Hayne Blvd.	Eastover Clubhouse	5690 Eastover Drive
9	44Q	Gaudet Elementary School	12000 Hayne Blvd.	Chef Menteur Hwy., Ste. D, 14367 - Private Building	14367 Chef Menteur Hwy., Ste.D
8	18	Gentilly Terrace School	4720 Painters St.	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
8	20	Gentilly Terrace School	4720 Painters St.	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
8	21	Gentilly Terrace School	4720 Painters St.	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
8	22	Gentilly Terrace School	4720 Painters St.	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
8	23	Gentilly Terrace School	4720 Painters St.	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
8	24	Gentilly Terrace School	4720 Painters St.	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
6	6	George O. Mondy School (Formerly William O. Rogers School)	2327 St. Philip St.	Fern Brady Center	1019 North Prieur
3	14	Grace Episcopal Church	3700 Canal St.	Jesuit High School	4133 Banks St.
3	15	Grace Episcopal Church	3700 Canal St.	Jesuit High School	4133 Banks St.
9	3B	Greater New Home Gym	6420 Roder St.	New Pilgrim Baptist Church	1228 Arts St. (enter Marise St.)
7	34	Gregory Jr. High School	1700 Pratt Drive	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
7	35	Gregory Jr. High School	1700 Pratt Drive	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
7	29	Gregory Jr. High School	1700 Pratt Drive	Holy Trinity Cathedral Cultural Ctr.	1200 Robert E. Lee Blvd.
2	3	Guste High Rise	1301 Simon Bolivar	Guste High Rise	1301 Simon Bolivar
2	4	Guste High Rise	1301 Simon Bolivar	Guste High Rise	1301 Simon Bolivar
9	39A	Hammond St., 9701 - private residence	9701 Hammond St.	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
9	3A	Hardin School	2401 St. Maurice St.	New Pilgrim Baptist Church	1228 Arts St. (enter Marise St.)
17	5	Harrell Playground	2300 Leonidas St.	Mater Dolorosa (Basement)	1225 Dublin St.
15	12	Harriet B. Tubman School (Formerly Adolph Meyer School)	2013 Gen. Meyer Ave.	O. P. Walker High School	2832 Gen. Meyer Ave.
15	12A	Harriet B. Tubman School (Formerly Adolph Meyer School)	2013 Gen. Meyer Ave.	O. P. Walker High School	2832 Gen. Meyer Ave.
9	6C	Hartzell United Methodist Church	2014 Caffin Ave.	New Pilgrim Baptist Church	1228 Arts St. (enter Marise St.)
9	28A	Helen S. Edwards School	3039 Higgins Blvd.	N. O. Baptist Theological Seminary (Hardin Student Ctr.)	3939 Gentilly Blvd.
17	6	Hickory St., 8815 - private residence (Rear Entrance)	8815 Hickory St.	Mater Dolorosa (Basement)	1225 Dublin St.
9	31D	Holy Cross Lutheran School	6154 Press Drive	N. O. Baptist Theological Seminary (Hardin Student Ctr.)	3939 Gentilly Blvd.
14	14	Holy Name of Jesus School	6325 Cromwell Place	Holy Name of Jesus School	6325 Cromwell Place
15	2	Holy Name of Mary School	502 Olivier St.	Holy Name of Mary School	502 Olivier St.
6	9	Holy Rosary School	1342 Moss St.	Holy Rosary School	1342 Moss St.
9	43H	Household of Faith Church	93001 I-10 Service Road	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
4	14A	Hynes Elementary School	990 Harrison Ave.	St. Dominic's School	6326 Memphis St.
4	15	Hynes Elementary School	990 Harrison Ave.	St. Dominic's School	6326 Memphis St.
4	16	Hynes Elementary School	990 Harrison Ave.	St. Dominic's School	6326 Memphis St.
4	16A	Hynes Elementary School	990 Harrison Ave.	St. Dominic's School	6326 Memphis St.
4	18	Hynes Elementary School	990 Harrison Ave.	St. Dominic's School	6326 Memphis St.
11	16	ILA Union Hall, Local 3000	2700 S. Claiborne Ave.	New Zion Baptist Church	2319 Third St.
17	10	Incarnate Word Church	8326 Apricot St.	Xavier University Student Ctr.	4980 Dixon St.
17	12	Incarnate Word Church	8326 Apricot St.	Jesuit High School	4133 Banks St.
3	3	Israel Augustine Middle School (Formerly S.J. Peters School)	425 S. Broad St.	Jesuit High School	4133 Banks St.
3	5	Israel Augustine Middle School (Formerly S.J. Peters School)	425 S. Broad St.	Jesuit High School	4133 Banks St.
7	36A	Jean Gordon Elementary School	6101 Chatham Drive	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
7	38A	Jean Gordon Elementary School	6101 Chatham Drive	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
7	40	Jean Gordon Elementary School	6101 Chatham Drive	Holy Trinity Cathedral Cultural Ctr.	1200 Robert E. Lee
7	42	Jean Gordon Elementary School	6101 Chatham Drive	Holy Trinity Cathedral Cultural Ctr.	1200 Robert E. Lee
3	12	Jefferson Davis Pkwy, S., 441 - private residence	441 S. Jefferson Davis Pkwy.	Jesuit High School	4133 Banks St.

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5	14	John Dibert School	4217 Orleans Ave.	Jesuit High School	4133 Banks St.
5	15	John Dibert School	4217 Orleans Ave.	Jesuit High School	4133 Banks St.
5	16	John Dibert School	4217 Orleans Ave.	Jesuit High School	4133 Banks St.
8	9	John Shaw School	2518 Arts St.	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
8	11	John Shaw School	2518 Arts St.	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
11	17	John W. Hoffman School	2622 S. Prieur St.	New Zion Baptist Church	2319 Third St.
11	18	John W. Hoffman School	2622 S. Prieur St.	New Zion Baptist Church	2319 Third St.
9	34	Jordan Elementary School (Formerly McDonough #40 School)	4348 Reynes St.	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
9	34A	Jordan Elementary School (Formerly McDonough #40 School)	4348 Reynes St.	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
9	35A	Jordan Elementary School (Formerly McDonough #40 School)	4348 Reynes St.	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
6	5	Joseph S. Clark High School	1301 Derbigny St.	Fern Brady Center	1019 North Prieur
9	44L	Kinneil Road, 10940 - private residence	10940 Kinneil Road	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
15	10	L. B. Landry High School	1200 Whitney Ave.	Arthur Mondy M. S. C.	1111 Newton St.
14	24A	Lafayette Elementary School	2727 S. Carrollton Ave.	Xavier University Student Ctr.	4980 Dixon St.
14	25	Lafayette Elementary School	2727 S. Carrollton Ave.	Xavier University Student Ctr.	4980 Dixon St.
14	21	Lafayette Middle School	2727 S. Carrollton Ave.	McMain School (Nashville St. Entrance)	5712 S. Claiborne Ave.
16	7	Lafayette Middle School	2727 S. Carrollton Ave.	Robert M. Lusher School	7315 Willow St.
16	8	Lafayette Middle School	2727 S. Carrollton Ave.	Xavier University Student Ctr.	4980 Dixon St.
16	9	Lafayette Middle School	2727 S. Carrollton Ave.	Xavier University Student Ctr.	4980 Dixon St.
7	33A	Lake Area Middle School (Formerly Schaumburg Elementary School)	6026 Paris Ave.	Holy Trinity Cathedral Cultural Ctr.	1200 Robert E. Lee Blvd.
7	39	Lake Area Middle School (Formerly Schaumburg Elementary School)	6026 Paris Ave.	Holy Trinity Cathedral Cultural Ctr.	1200 Robert E. Lee Blvd.
9	45A	Lake Catherine Community Center	Chef Menteur Hwy., Rt. 6	Genoa St., 4373 - private residence	4373 Genoa St.
17	18	Lakeview Christian Center	132 Veterans Blvd.	St. Dominic's School	6326 Memphis St.
17	18A	Lakeview Christian Center	132 Veterans Blvd.	St. Dominic's School	6326 Memphis St.
17	18B	Lakeview Christian Center	132 Veterans Blvd.	St. Dominic's School	6326 Memphis St.
7	18	Langston Hughes School (Formerly Edward Douglas White School)	3519 Trafalgar St.	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
7	19	Langston Hughes School (Formerly Edward Douglas White School)	3519 Trafalgar St.	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
7	13	Lapeyrouse St., 2327 - private residence	2327 Lapeyrouse St.	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
10	3	Laurel School	820 Jackson Ave.	Household of Faith Church	630 Jackson Ave.
10	5	Laurel School	820 Jackson Ave.	Household of Faith Church	630 Jackson Ave.
10	6	Laurel School	820 Jackson Ave.	Household of Faith Church	630 Jackson Ave.
10	7	Laurel School	820 Jackson Ave.	Household of Faith Church	630 Jackson Ave.
10	8	Laurel School	820 Jackson Ave.	Household of Faith Church	630 Jackson Ave.
12	16	Lift Up My Name Higher Holy Ghost Church	2809 Gen. Taylor St.	Holy Ghost School	2035 Toledano St.
9	43K	Little Woods Elementary School	10200 Curran Blvd.	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
9	43L	Little Woods Elementary School	10200 Curran Blvd.	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
9	44J	Little Woods Elementary School	10200 Curran Blvd.	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
9	33	Livingston Middle School	7301 Dwyer Road	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
9	33A	Livingston Middle School	7301 Dwyer Road	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
9	43B	Livingston Middle School	7301 Dwyer Road	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
9	43C	Livingston Middle School	7301 Dwyer Road	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
9	43E	Livingston Middle School	7301 Dwyer Road	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
9	24	Lockett Elementary School	3240 Law St.	St. Paul Lutheran Church	2624 Burgundy St.
9	25	Lockett Elementary School	3240 Law St.	St. Paul Lutheran Church	2624 Burgundy St.
9	26	Lockett Elementary School	3240 Law St.	St. Paul Lutheran Church	2624 Burgundy St.
9	26A	Lockett Elementary School	3240 Law St.	St. Paul Lutheran Church	2624 Burgundy St.
9	19	Lorraine Hansberry School	1339 Clouet St.	St. Paul Lutheran Church	2624 Burgundy St.
9	4	Louis Armstrong School (Formerly McDonough #19 School)	5900 St. Claude Ave.	Holy Angels	3500 St. Claude Ave.
9	5	Louis Armstrong School (Formerly McDonough #19 School)	5900 St. Claude Ave.	Holy Angels	3500 St. Claude Ave.
9	44M	Louis Prima Drive, W., 5718 - private residence	5718 W. Louis Prima Drive	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
9	23	Louisa St., 2036 - private residence	2036 Louisa St.	St. Paul Lutheran Church	2624 Burgundy St.
11	8	Louise McGehee School	2343 Prytania St.	Louise McGehee School	2343 Prytania St.

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10	9	Louise McGehee School	2343 Prytania St.	Louise McGehee School	2343 Prytania St.
12	20	Louisiana Ave. Pkwy., 3915 - Basement	3915 Louisiana Ave. Pkwy.	Annunciation Church	4505 S. Claiborne Ave.
16	2	Lusher School Extension	719 S. Carrollton Ave.	Audubon School	428 Broadway St.
9	6F	M. L. K. Elementary School	1617 Caffin Ave.	New Pilgrim Baptist Church	1228 Arts St. (enter Marise St.)
8	30	Madrid St., 2716 - private residence	2716 Madrid St.	Church of the Holy Comforter	2220 Lakeshore Drive
10	13	Mahalia Jackson Comprehensive Ctr.	2101 Freret St.	Dryades YMCA	2220 Oretha Castle Haley Blvd.
10	14	Mahalia Jackson Comprehensive Ctr.	2101 Freret St.	Dryades YMCA	2220 Oretha Castle Haley Blvd.
8	25	Mandeville St., 5216 - private residence	5216 Mandeville St.	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
15	6	Martin Behrman School	715 Opelousas Ave.	Martin Behrman School	715 Opelousas Ave.
9	31B	Mary Coghill School	5500 Piety Drive	N. O. Baptist Theological Seminary (Hardin Student Ctr.)	3939 Gentilly Blvd.
9	31C	Mary Coghill School	5500 Piety Drive	N. O. Baptist Theological Seminary (Hardin Student Ctr.)	3939 Gentilly Blvd.
9	31E	Mary Coghill School	5500 Piety Drive	N. O. Baptist Theological Seminary (Hardin Student Ctr.)	3939 Gentilly Blvd.
17	15	Mary McLeod Bethune School (Formerly Judah Benjamin School)	4040 Eagle St.	Jesuit High School	4133 Banks St.
17	16	Mary McLeod Bethune School (Formerly Judah Benjamin School)	4040 Eagle St.	Jesuit High School	4133 Banks St.
9	41B	Mary Queen of Vietnam Church	5069 Willowbrook Drive	Mary Queen of Vietnam Church	5069 Willowbrook Drive
17	2	Mater Dolorosa (Basement)	1225 Dublin St.	Mater Dolorosa (Basement)	1225 Dublin St.
17	3	Mater Dolorosa (Basement)	1225 Dublin St.	Mater Dolorosa (Basement)	1225 Dublin St.
17	4	Mater Dolorosa (Basement)	1225 Dublin St.	Mater Dolorosa (Basement)	1225 Dublin St.
5	1	McDonough #15 School	721 St. Philip St.	St. Louis Cathedral School	820 Dauphine St.
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5	3	McDonough #15 School	721 St. Philip St.	St. Louis Cathedral School	820 Dauphine St.
6	1	McDonough #15 School	721 St. Philip St.	St. Louis Cathedral School	820 Dauphine St.
6	8	McDonough #28 School	2733 Esplanade Ave.	Holy Rosary School	1342 Moss St.
7	12	McDonough #28 School	2733 Esplanade Ave.	Holy Rosary School	1342 Moss St.
7	17	McDonough #28 School	2733 Esplanade Ave.	Holy Rosary School	1342 Moss St.
15	8	McDonough #32 School	800 DeArmas	Martin Behrman School	715 Opelousas Ave.
7	6	McDonough #35 High School	1331 Kerlerec St.	McDonough #35 High School	1331 Kerlerec St.
7	14	McDonough #42 School	1651 N. Tonti St.	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
7	15	McDonough #42 School	1651 N. Tonti St.	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
6	7	McDonough Sr. High School	2426 Esplanade Ave.	Holy Rosary School	1342 Moss St.
14	20	McMain School (Nashville St. Entrance)	5712 S. Claiborne Ave.	McMain School (Nashville St. Entrance)	5712 S. Claiborne Ave.
14	17	McMain School (Nashville St. Entrance)	5712 S. Claiborne Ave.	McMain School (Nashville St. Entrance)	5712 S. Claiborne Ave.
14	22	McMain School (Nashville St. Entrance)	5712 S. Claiborne Ave.	McMain School (Nashville St. Entrance)	5712 S. Claiborne Ave.
16	5	McNair School (Formerly Robert E. Lee School)	1607 S. Carrollton Ave.	Robert M. Lusher School	7315 Willow St.
16	6	McNair School (Formerly Robert E. Lee School)	1607 S. Carrollton Ave.	Robert M. Lusher School	7315 Willow St.
9	44B	Means Ave., 7511 - private residence	7511 Means Ave.	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
7	20A	Medard H. Nelson School	3121 St. Bernard Ave.	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
7	21	Medard H. Nelson School	3121 St. Bernard Ave.	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
9	42D	Mildred Osborne School	6701 Curran Blvd.	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
9	42E	Mildred Osborne School	6701 Curran Blvd.	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
9	43A	Mildred Osborne School	6701 Curran Blvd.	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
9	43F	Mildred Osborne School	6701 Curran Blvd.	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
9	43G	Mildred Osborne School	6701 Curran Blvd.	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
9	43I	Mildred Osborne School	6701 Curran Blvd.	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
9	43J	Mildred Osborne School	6701 Curran Blvd.	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
5	9	Morris F. X. Jeff School (Formerly McDonough #31 School)	800 N. Rendon St.	Jesuit High School	4133 Banks St.

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5	10	Morris F. X. Jeff School (Formerly McDonough #31 School)	800 N. Rendon St.	Jesuit High School	4133 Banks St.
5	11	Morris F. X. Jeff School (Formerly McDonough #31 School)	800 N. Rendon St.	Jesuit High School	4133 Banks St.
5	8	Morris F. X. Jeff School (Formerly McDonough #31 School)	800 N. Rendon St.	Jesuit High School	4133 Banks St.
13	13	Napoleon Ave., 2428 - private residence	2428 Napoleon Ave.	Newman School (Danneel St. Entrance)	1903 Jefferson Ave.
17	11	Nazareth Baptist Church	9108 Pritchard St.	Xavier University Student Ctr.	4980 Dixon St.
9	44A	Nazareth Inn	9630 Hayne Blvd.	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
14	8	New Orleans Ctr. of Creative Arts (Webster St. Entrance)	6048 Perrier St.	New Orleans Ctr of Creative Arts (Webster St. Entrance)	6048 Perrier St.
12	5	New Orleans Free School	3601 Camp St.	Austerlitz St. Baptist Church - Vestibule	819 Austerlitz St.
7	24	New Orleans Public Library	3000 Foy St.	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
7	25A	New Orleans Public Library	3000 Foy St.	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
11	10	New Orleans Speech & Hearing Ctr.	1636 Toledano St.	New Orleans Speech & Hearing Ctr.	1636 Toledano St.
14	13A	Newcomb Blvd., #44 - private residence	#44 Newcomb Blvd.	Newcomb Blvd., #44 - private residence	#44 Newcomb Blvd.
13	12	Newman School (Danneel St. Entrance)	1903 Jefferson Ave.	Newman School (Danneel St. Entrance)	1903 Jefferson Ave.
13	10	Newman School (Danneel St. Entrance)	1903 Jefferson Ave.	Newman School (Danneel St. Entrance)	1903 Jefferson Ave.
15	15B	Nie Pkwy., 1824 - private residence	1824 Nie Parkway	Edna Karr School	3332 Huntlee Drive
11	2	NOCCA (Eighth St. Entrance)	3128 Constance St.	Engine House #01, Task Force #5	2920 Magazine St.
11	3	NOCCA (Eighth St. Entrance)	3128 Constance St.	Engine House #01, Task Force #5	2920 Magazine St.
11	4	NOCCA (Eighth St. Entrance)	3128 Constance St.	Engine House #01, Task Force #5	2920 Magazine St.
11	5	NOCCA (Eighth St. Entrance)	3128 Constance St.	Engine House #01, Task Force #5	2920 Magazine St.
13	1	NORD Wisner Center	4877 Laurel St.	Xavier Prep School	5116 Magazine St.
13	3	NORD Wisner Center	4877 Laurel St.	Xavier Prep School	5116 Magazine St.
15	13	O. P. Walker High School	2832 Gen. Meyer Ave.	O. P. Walker High School	2832 Gen. Meyer Ave.
7	16	O'Reilly St., 2922 - private residence	2922 O'Reilly St.	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
8	6	Oretha Castle Haley School (Formerly Gayarre School)	2515 N. Robertson St.	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
4	2	Our Lady of Guadalupe Church	410 Basin St.	Our Lady of Guadalupe Church	410 Basin St.
7	28A	Owens St., 1448 - private residence	1448 Owens St.	Holy Trinity Cathedral Cultural Ctr.	1200 Robert E. Lee Blvd.
3	9	Palmyra St., 2914 - private residence	2914 Palmyra St.	Jesuit High School	4133 Banks St.
15	18E	Park Timbers Drive, #1 - private residence	#1 Park Timbers Drive	Park Timbers Dr., #1 - private residence	#1 Park Timbers Drive
9	30	Parkview Magnet School (Formerly William C. Claiborne School)	4617 Mirabeau Ave.	N. O. Baptist Theological Seminary (Hardin Student Ctr.)	3939 Gentilly Blvd.
9	29A	Parkview Magnet School (Formerly William C. Claiborne School)	4617 Mirabeau Ave.	N. O. Baptist Theological Seminary (Hardin Student Ctr.)	3939 Gentilly Blvd.
9	30A	Parkview Magnet School (Formerly William C. Claiborne School)	4617 Mirabeau Ave.	N. O. Baptist Theological Seminary (Hardin Student Ctr.)	3939 Gentilly Blvd.
9	44I	Parkwood Ct., N., 11140 - private residence	11140 N. Parkwood Ct.	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
15	14	Paul B. Habens School	3819 Herschel St.	Edna Karr School	3332 Huntlee Drive
15	14E	Paul B. Habens School	3819 Herschel St.	Edna Karr School	3332 Huntlee Drive
15	14F	Paul B. Habens School	3819 Herschel St.	Edna Karr School	3332 Huntlee Drive
9	38A	Peace Lake Towers	9025 Chef Menteur Hwy.	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
9	38B	Peace Lake Towers	9025 Chef Menteur Hwy.	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
7	28	Pentecost Baptist Church (Hamburg St. Entrance)	1510 Harrison Ave.	Holy Trinity Cathedral Cultural Ctr.	1200 Robert E. Lee Blvd.
9	7	Philadelphia Apostolic Church	5330 St. Claude Ave.	Holy Angels	3500 St. Claude Ave.



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7	27A	Philips Jr. High School	1200 Senate St.	Holy Trinity Cathedral Cultural Ctr.	1200 Robert E. Lee Blvd.
12	12	Pilgrim Progress Baptist Church	3600 Loyola St.	Holy Ghost School	2035 Toledano St.
17	19	Pontchartrain Baptist Church	600 Hammond Hwy.	St. Dominic's School	6326 Memphis St.
17	21	Pontchartrain Baptist Church	600 Hammond Hwy.	St. Dominic's School	6326 Memphis St.
9	28C	Press Park Community Center	3181 Press St.	N. O. Baptist Theological Seminary (Hardin Student Ctr.)	3939 Gentilly Blvd.
9	28D	Press Park Community Center	3181 Press St.	N. O. Baptist Theological Seminary (Hardin Student Ctr.)	3939 Gentilly Blvd.
9	28F	Press Park Community Center	3181 Press St.	N. O. Baptist Theological Seminary (Hardin Student Ctr.)	3939 Gentilly Blvd.
9	21	Prieur St., N., 4100 - private residence	4100 N. Prieur St.	St. Paul Lutheran Church	2624 Burgundy St.
4	21	Robert E. Lee Blvd., 310 - private residence	310 Robert E. Lee Blvd.	St. Dominic's School	6326 Memphis St.
14	12	Robert M. Lusher School	7315 Willow St.	Robert M. Lusher School	7315 Willow St.
14	18A	Robert M. Lusher School	7315 Willow St.	Robert M. Lusher School	7315 Willow St.
14	19	Robert M. Lusher School	7315 Willow St.	Robert M. Lusher School	7315 Willow St.
9	28E	Robert R. Moton School	3000 Abundance St.	N. O. Baptist Theological Seminary (Hardin Student Ctr.)	3939 Gentilly Blvd.
4	10A	Rosedale Drive, 815 - private residence	815 Rosedale Drive	St. Dominic's School	6326 Memphis St.
4	10	Rosedale Drive, 817 - private residence	817 Rosedale Drive	St. Dominic's School	6326 Memphis St.
15	19C	Rosenwald School	6501 Berkley Drive	Cut-Off Community Center	6600 Belgrade St.
14	2	Sabis School of New Orleans	5951 Patton St.	Sabis School of New Orleans	5951 Patton St.
14	3	Sabis School of New Orleans	5951 Patton St.	Sabis School of New Orleans	5951 Patton St.
14	4	Sabis School of New Orleans	5951 Patton St.	Sabis School of New Orleans	5951 Patton St.
13	11	Samuel Green Middle School	2319 Valence St.	Samuel Green Middle School	2319 Valence St.
9	6D	Sanchez Community Center	1616 Caffin Ave.	New Pilgrim Baptist Church	1228 Arts St. (enter Marise St.)
9	8B	Sanchez Community Center	1616 Caffin Ave.	New Pilgrim Baptist Church	1228 Arts St. (enter Marise St.)
9	41	Sara Reed High School	5316 Michoud Blvd.	Chef Menteur Hwy., Ste. D, 14367- Private Building	14367 Chef Menteur Hwy., Ste. D
9	41A	Sara Reed High School	5316 Michoud Blvd.	Mary Queen of Vietnam Church	5069 Willowbrook Drive
9	41D	Sara Reed High School	5316 Michoud Blvd.	Mary Queen of Vietnam Church	5069 Willowbrook Drive
9	38	Schaumburg Elementary School	9501 Grant St.	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
9	39	Schaumburg Elementary School	9501 Grant St.	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
9	40A	Sherwood Forest School	4801 Maid Marion Drive	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
9	40B	Sherwood Forest School	4801 Maid Marion Drive	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
9	40C	Sherwood Forest School	4801 Maid Marion Drive	Chef Menteur Hwy., Ste. D, 14367- Private Building	14367 Chef Menteur Hwy., Ste. D
8	7	Shiloh Christian Church	2441 N. Claiborne Ave.	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
11	19	Signature Center	2600 Rocheblave St.	New Zion Baptist Church	2319 Third St.
5	7	Sojourner Truth Community Ctr.	501N. Galvez St.	Jesuit High School	4133 Banks St.
12	7	Sophie Wright High School	1426 Napoleon Ave.	Sophie Wright High School	1426 Napoleon Ave.
12	8	Sophie Wright High School	1426 Napoleon Ave.	Sophie Wright High School	1426 Napoleon Ave.
13	7	Sophie Wright High School	1426 Napoleon Ave.	Sophie Wright High School	1426 Napoleon Ave.
5	17	Spanish Fort Methodist Church	6645 Spanish Fort Blvd.	Spanish Fort Methodist Church	6645 Spanish Fort Blvd.
5	18	Spanish Fort Methodist Church	6645 Spanish Fort Blvd.	Spanish Fort Methodist Church	6645 Spanish Fort Blvd.
9	10	Spirit of Praise Church	4600 Marais St.	St. Paul Lutheran Church	2624 Burgundy St.
15	16	St Stephen's Lutheran Church	6336 Berkley Drive	Edna Karr School	3332 Huntlee Drive
7	20	St. Augustine School	2600 A. P. Tureaud Ave.	Engine House #27	2118 Elysian Fields Ave.
14	9	St. Charles Ave. Christian Church	6200 St. Charles Ave.	American Legion Post 307	5518 Magazine St.
14	7	St. Charles Ave. Presbyterian Church	1545 State St.	St. Charles Ave. Presbyterian Church	1545 State St.
4	20	St. Dominic's School	6326 Memphis St.	St. Dominic's School	6326 Memphis St.
4	17	St. Dominic's School	6326 Memphis St.	St. Dominic's School	6326 Memphis St.
4	17A	St. Dominic's School	6326 Memphis St.	St. Dominic's School	6326 Memphis St.
4	19	St. Dominic's School	6326 Memphis St.	St. Dominic's School	6326 Memphis St.
4	20A	St. Dominic's School	6326 Memphis St.	St. Dominic's School	6326 Memphis St.

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11	12	St. Francis de Sales Church	2203 Second St.	New Zion Baptist Church	2319 Third St.
11	13	St. Francis de Sales Church	2203 Second St.	New Zion Baptist Church	2319 Third St.
9	31A	St. Gabriel the Archangel School	4700 Pineda St.	N. O. Baptist Theological Seminary (Hardin Student Ctr.)	3939 Gentilly Blvd.
12	4	St. Henry's Catholic Church	803 General Pershing St.	St. Henry's Catholic Church	803 General Pershing St.
17	1	St. Joan of Arc School (Auditorium)	919 Cambronne St.	St. Joan of Arc School (Auditorium)	919 Cambronne St.
7	23	St. John Birchman Manor	3400 St. Anthony St.	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
7	26	St. John Birchman Manor	3400 St. Anthony St.	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
6	2	St. Mark's Community Center (Gov. Nicholls Entrance)	1130 N. Rampart St.	St. Mark's Community Center (Gov. Nicholls Entrance)	1130 N. Rampart St.
9	22	St. Mary of the Angels School	2225 Congress St.	St. Paul Lutheran Church	2624 Burgundy St.
9	25A	St. Mary of the Angels School	2225 Congress St.	St. Paul Lutheran Church	2624 Burgundy St.
9	35	St. Mary's Academy	6905 Chef Menteur Hwy.	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
16	4	St. Matthew Church of Christ	1333 S. Carrollton Ave.	Robert M. Lusher School	7315 Willow St.
9	1	St. Maurice Church	6231 Charters St.	Holy Angels	3500 St. Claude Ave.
7	5	St. Paul Lutheran Church (N. Derbigny St. Entrance)	1625 Annette St.	McDonough #35 High School	1331 Kerlerec St.
9	32	St. Paul the Apostle School	6800 Chef Menteur Hwy.	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
8	26	St. Raphael School, Rm. #16	2243 Mendez St.	Church of the Holy Comforter	2220 Lakeshore Drive
12	6	St. Stephen's School (Cafeteria)	1025 Napoleon Ave.	St. Stephen's School (Cafeteria)	1025 Napoleon Ave.
9	13	St. Vincent DePaul	3037 Dauphine St.	St. Paul Lutheran Church	2624 Burgundy St.
9	15	St. Vincent DePaul	3037 Dauphine St.	St. Paul Lutheran Church	2624 Burgundy St.
8	13	Stuart R. Bradley School	2401 Humanity St.	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
8	14	Stuart R. Bradley School	2401 Humanity St.	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
8	15	Stuart R. Bradley School	2401 Humanity St.	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
8	16	Stuart R. Bradley School	2401 Humanity St.	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
8	17	Stuart R. Bradley School	2401 Humanity St.	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
9	8A	Tennessee St., 2526 - private residence	2526 Tennessee St.	New Pilgrim Baptist Church	1228 Arts St. (enter Marise St.)
14	26	Terrell Elementary School (Formerly Danneel School)	3411 Broadway St.	Xavier University Student Ctr.	4980 Dixon St.
15	14G	The Landing at Behrman Place	3601 Behrman Place	The Landing at Behrman Place	3601 Behrman Place
9	42C	The Pre-School, Inc.	6054 Hayne Blvd.	Voting Machine Warehouse	8870 Chef Menteur Hwy.
9	5A	Thomas Edison Elementary School	1339 Forstall St.	Holy Angels	3500 St. Claude Ave.
9	8	Thomas Edison Elementary School	1339 Forstall St.	Holy Angels	3500 St. Claude Ave.
4	8	Thurgood Marshall School (Formerly Beauregard School)	4621 Canal St.	Jesuit High School	4133 Banks St.
3	20	Thurgood Marshall School (Formerly Beauregard School)	4621 Canal St.	Jesuit High School	4133 Banks St.
4	7	Thurgood Marshall School (Formerly Beauregard School)	4621 Canal St.	Jesuit High School	4133 Banks St.
7	22	Treasure St., 2048 - private residence	2048 Treasure St.	University of New Orleans	2000 Lakeshore Drive
9	3	Urquhart St., 6316 - private residence	6316 Urquhart St.	Holy Angels	3500 St. Claude Ave.
7	9	Valena C. Jones School	1901 N. Miro St.	Engine House #27	2118 Elysian Fields Ave.
7	10	Valena C. Jones School	1901 N. Miro St.	Engine House #27	2118 Elysian Fields Ave.
12	9	Walter L. Cohen High School	3520 Dryades St.	Holy Ghost School	2035 Toledano St.
12	10	Walter L. Cohen High School	3520 Dryades St.	Holy Ghost School	2035 Toledano St.
12	11	Walter L. Cohen High School	3520 Dryades St.	Holy Ghost School	2035 Toledano St.
4	5	Warren Easton High School	3019 Canal St.	Fern Brady Center	1019 North Prieur
4	6	Warren Easton High School	3019 Canal St.	Fern Brady Center	1019 North Prieur
15	18C	Woodland Hwy., 4201 - private residence	4201 Woodland Hwy.	Engine House #17	4115 Woodland Hwy.
13	2	Xavier Prep School	5116 Magazine St.	Xavier Prep School	5116 Magazine St.
13	4	Xavier Prep School	5116 Magazine St.	Xavier Prep School	5116 Magazine St.
13	5	Xavier Prep School	5116 Magazine St.	Xavier Prep School	5116 Magazine St.
2	7	Xavier University Student Ctr.	4980 Dixon St.	Xavier University Student Ctr.	4980 Dixon St.

# RE-ELECT OUR MAYOR RAY NAGIN

**“Now** is not the time to change leadership. I ask the citizens of New Orleans to let me continue this important job of rebuilding our city. We have the plan and the means to do it. I believe that my first term in office shows I have the credibility and experience to get the job done right.”

*Mayor Ray Nagin*

## INTEGRITY

For the last four years, our mayor, Ray Nagin has achieved many accomplishments. But, perhaps, the most important and long-lasting change is that he has restored integrity to City Hall. He promised to put an end to patronage politics which benefitted only a handful of favorites and allowed corruption to flourish. Instead, our mayor created a modern and efficient city government in which all our citizens have a chance to participate and achieve economic success.

## ACCOMPLISHMENTS

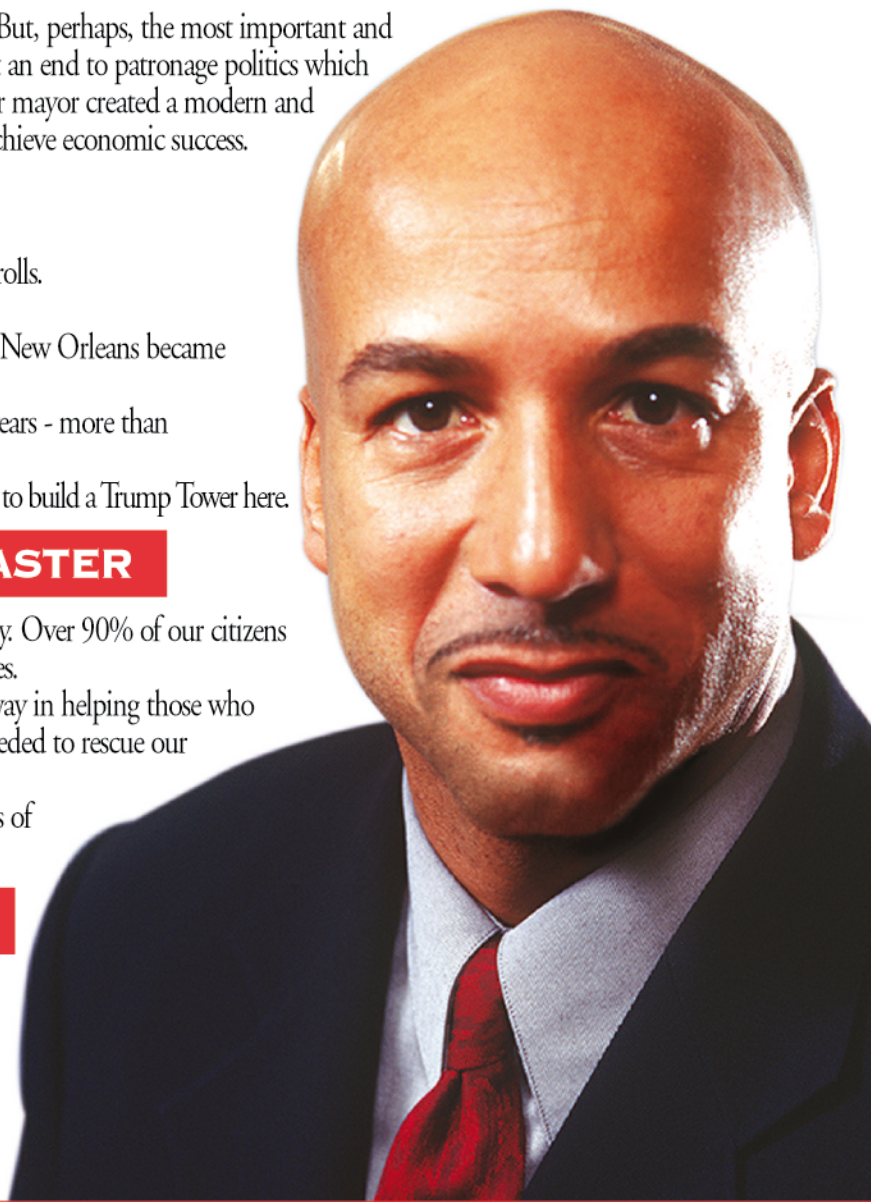
- ▼ Under Mayor Nagin's leadership, 37,000 people were able to get off the poverty rolls.
- ▼ Construction soared with \$3.2 billion in projects underway.
- ▼ Hollywood was recruited to make movies here and it did so, in record numbers. New Orleans became known as Hollywood South.
- ▼ The cruise industry prospered and the tourist industry had record back to back years - more than 10 million visitors came to the city.
- ▼ Real estate values reached record highs. Just before Hurricane Katrina, a deal was made to build a Trump Tower here.

## KATRINA IS SINGLE LARGEST U.S. DISASTER

- ▼ Our mayor led the most successful evacuation of a major American city in history. Over 90% of our citizens left New Orleans due to the Mayor's urging and found safety for their families.
- ▼ Ray Nagin stayed in the city throughout the catastrophe of Katrina leading the way in helping those who stayed behind. He did everything possible to get New Orleans the help it needed to rescue our remaining citizens.
- ▼ He overcame Washington's reluctance to help New Orleans and has won billions of dollars to rebuild our city.

## BRINGING NEW ORLEANS BACK PLAN

Within 30 days after the hurricane, our mayor created the Bring New Orleans Back Commission, utilizing some of the best and brightest people available to create the plan to restore New Orleans. The plan is currently underway. Much of the city's infrastructure is working again. We are bringing our citizens home. We have guarantees of federal funding for rebuilding homes that were destroyed. Our levee system is being rebuilt to protect our city in time for this hurricane season.



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**For The Katrina Survivors  
Empowerment Weekends**

**Mayoral Candidate Forums  
and Empowerment Expos**  
New Orleans Municipal Elections

**Location**  
**SATURDAY, MARCH 25, 2006**  
**Houston, Texas**

**Friday, March 31, 2006**  
**New Orleans, LA**

**Saturday, April 8, 2006**  
**Atlanta, GA**

**Saturday, April 15, 2006**  
**Baton Rouge, LA**

**All forums are  
11:00am – 7:00pm**

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**George Curry**, *Editor-In-Chief, National Newspaper Publishers Association*

**Protect Our Right to Return and determine how and when our neighborhoods will be redeveloped.**

Meet the candidates for mayor, city council, and other races in the municipal elections scheduled for Saturday, April 22, 2006 in New Orleans. Come to the Empowerment Expo to learn more about plans to rebuild our neighborhoods and our city, our public schools, our hospitals, our churches and who will provide jobs and economic opportunity for you and your family to return to our beloved crescent city of New Orleans and learn how you can Protect Your Right to Vote from the NAACP Legal Defense Fund in their Voter Empowerment Trainings.

**New Orleans-based co-hosts include:** Lower Ninth Ward Homeowners Association, New Orleans Local Organizing Committee, Urban League of Greater New Orleans, African American Leadership Project, United Teachers of New Orleans, African American Leadership Project, Deep South Center for Environmental Justice, Neighborhood Development Foundation, New Orleans Redevelopment Authority, New Orleans Affordable Homeowners, New Orleans East Economic Development Foundation, Coalition of Minority Contractors of Louisiana, Louis Armstrong Jazz Camp, Louisiana Legislative Black Caucus, The People's Hurricane Relief Fund & Oversight Committee, New Orleans' NAACP, Louisiana Data News Weekly, Voice Of The Ex-offender, Ashe' Cultural Center, Millions More Movement and People's Institute for Survival and Beyond.

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