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# It is Time for My Brother's and Sister's Keepers

*Rebuilding Our City Will Take All Of Us*



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The City of New Orleans continues to rebuild in the face of IDA and the destruction it left behind. Data News Weekly in our role as “The People’s Paper” feel it is our duty to give you news that you can use as our great City recovers.

As the power have been restored to the City, many have returned to damaged homes and businesses to

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Across the City and state, Hurricane Ida caused much destruction and rebuilding will take time.

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assess damages, making plans moving forward. Yes, these are truly uncertain times for our City and its future. But of course, there is our secret ingredient, that shines through in the face of adversity, and that is the optimism and resilience of the people of the City, which is always evident during these tragic events.

It is time for people of the City to come together to show the best of who we are, and truly be "Their Brother's and Sister's Keeper". And many are opening their hearts and taking the time out to help others.

This tragedy has left some without resources and they must rely on the charity of others. In New Orleans, we see local elected leaders, churches, civic groups, and others lend a helping hand by having food giveaways and providing information for those who are trying to get much needed assistance to rebuild.

In these times, where we are not only experiencing the impacts of IDA, but COVID-19, it will take all hands-on deck to make our City whole again. This means that the tribalism and self-interest by some who lead which sometimes gets in the way of getting things done must cease.

New Orleans is a City with a great, rich history and way of life, but we must decide to become a place where all zip codes matter, and that those with the least get the most to make them whole. To give them a bridge to opportunities and hope to contribute to make the City a better place for all to live.

Especially, in these times where we are in the middle of an election cycle where we will be choosing our elected leaders, who will represent us and our interest. This is important to note because it's "our" interest that matters most. It is time for our City to take a quantum leap forward to become a City that does not continue to marvel in its glorious past but work to build a new and brighter future. One on which all can prosper.

However, this will take a change in how things are done on many levels. That means shifting the priorities of how resources are spent. Which neighborhoods will get the help they need to improve the quality of life and opportunities for its residents?

This rebuilding effort gives us the opportunity to rethink how we can improve our City and re-imagine it in new and innovative ways. But to do it where all can prosper it will take all of us working together to make our City better for all of our citizens.

We at Data News Weekly, will continue to inform, educate and inspire the people of our City in our role as "The People's Paper."



Power went out during the storm, but it's been restored in all of Orleans Parish, but still remains a problem for other parts of the state that were devastated by Hurricane Ida.



As many are coming back to the City that is in the mode of rebuilding, it is bringing out the best in citizens helping each other.



While those who lead have a responsibility to provide the resources to rebuild, it is equally important that they do it responsibly and consider other issues that include improved infrastructure and equity in the City of New Orleans.

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# Who Dat Say they Gon Beat them Saints

## *The Beginning of a New Era*

**Fleur De Lis**  
Data News Weekly Contributor

What's up folks? This is your people Fleur De Lis. Like all of us trying to assess some damage from IDA. We gonna rebuild, cause we built like that. Resiliency is in our DNA, and as I look around, I see the spirit of our people shining through. We got a way to go to recover, but I believe we got dat.

On another note, we got something to gloat about as our Boys in Black and Gold showed they are ready this season to be competitive on every level. It seems that we are seeing what the new era for the Saints could look like with Jameis Winston leading the offense.

In his debut as the heir to the throne of Drew Brees, he showed that he has the leadership ability and poise to lead the Saints potent offense. He did this by throwing for a career high five touchdowns in a 38-3 blowout win against Aaron Rodgers and the Green Bay Packers.

This is no small feat against a team who for the last two years came up one game short of making it to the Superbowl.

The Saints did it on both sides of the ball and left the "Cheeseheads" devastated by a reinvigorated Saints team that is healthy and now have a quarterback who can throw the long ball. Then we still got the Swiss Army Knife, Taysom Hill on deck.

Although, this game did not happen in the Dome, Who Dat Fans, was on deck in front of television sets, handheld devices, and online. Wherever they were, it was a good pick me up for a city recovering from Hurricane IDA.

We as die-hard fans, can't wait to see how this new era will unfold. But it looks like it's going to be fun to watch as our boys in Black and Gold, make another run for the Superbowl.

Until next time its ya people Fleur De Lis, signing off, giving you everything 5-0-4.



Jameis Winston, showed he has what it takes in his debut as the heir to Drew Brees, throwing five touchdown passes in a season opening win against Aaron Rodgers and the Green Bay Packers.



Jameis Winston and Sean Payton, have shown that the Saints offense can be even more potent with a quarterback who has the arm strength and physical ability to put points up on the scoreboard in a 38-3 win over the Green Bay Packers, who for the last to seasons, have been one game away from the Superbowl. The Black and Gold are starting off on the right foot and making a statement that they are a team to be reckoned with in their quest to return to the Superbowl.



The Saints defense also showed up, shutting down the potent Green Bay offense. Also standout defensive back, Marshon Lattimore just signed a contract worth nearly 100 Million dollars, making him one of the highest paid defensive backs in the league.

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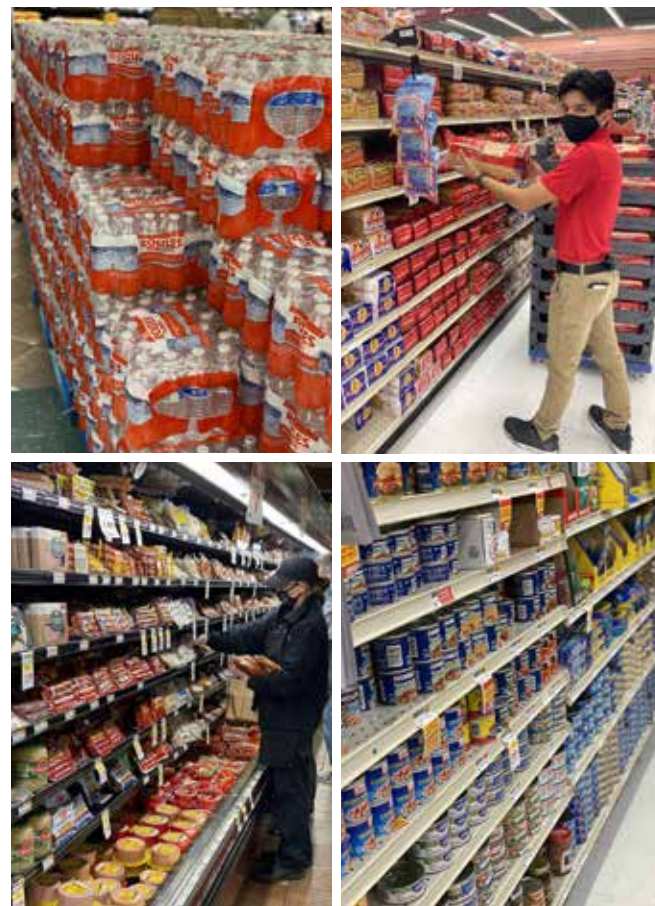
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# Fall Election Re-Scheduled to November 13, 2021

**Eric Connerly**  
Data News Weekly  
Contributor

As the City of New Orleans recovers from the devastating impact of Hurricane Ida, the Fall elections have been moved to November 13th, and the runoff election will be on December 11th.

This gives time for citizens who have not registered to vote the opportunity to do so.

The deadlines to register to vote have also changed. In order to vote this Fall, you must register in person or by mail by Oct. 13th or online by Oct. 23rd.

Data News Weekly encourages all to get out and VOTE.



## State & Local News

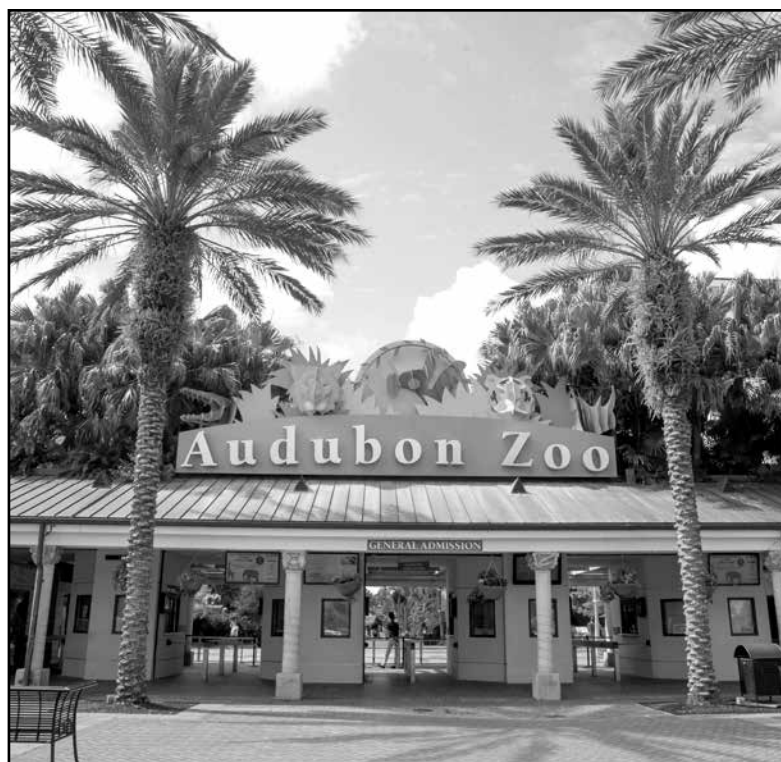
## Audubon Nature Institute Facilities to Reopen with Discount for Louisiana Residents

**Data News Staff Edited Report**

Audubon Nature Institute plans to reopen its facilities following closures due to the impacts of Hurricane Ida in two phases. The first phase begins Thursday, September 16, 2021, with the reopening of Audubon Aquarium of the Americas and Audubon Louisiana Nature Center. The second phase will include Audubon Zoo, Golf Club at Audubon Park, and Audubon Park Tennis opening on Saturday, September 18, 2021.

Portions of the jogging path in Audubon Park are scheduled to reopen for limited use this week. Bicycles will not be permitted until the entire Park opens this Saturday.

Audubon is offering a 50% discount on all admission to the Zoo and Aquarium to Louisiana residents. The offer is valid online and at the front gate for up to four tickets from September 16th through October 3, 2021.



"Our thoughts and prayers go out to all in our community that have been impacted by the storm," said Audubon Nature Institute President and CEO Ron Forman.

"We hope that a visit to the Zoo or Aquarium and the opportunity to connect with the natural world can provide a little solace to our community during this difficult time."



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# National Urban League Sends Letter to Congress Urging Members to Extend Eviction Moratorium

**Marc H. Morial**  
President and CEO National Urban League

Recently, the National Urban League and other civil rights organizations sent a letter to Congress urging members to take immediate action to extend the Center for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) federal moratorium on evictions.

In a controversial decision, the Supreme Court overturned the CDC's eviction moratorium, putting an estimated 6 to 17 million Americans at risk of losing their homes. With Delta variant cases on the rise and state and local government programs struggling to disperse emergency rental assistance funding, Congressional action to extend the CDC's eviction moratorium is necessary to ensure that families are protected from the threat of eviction during this unprecedented public health and economic crisis.

Without immediate action, struggling families may lose access to the very housing protections necessary to stem the spread of new



COVID-19 infections. In nearly every metropolitan city in the U.S., Black and Latinx families constitute a disproportionate number of renters who would be at risk of eviction. To date, the pandemic has severely harmed the economic security of households in communities of color nationwide, many of whom worked in industries hardest hit by the Pandemic and who did not have the savings to weather long periods of

unemployment and underemployment. These families also disproportionately work in front-line jobs deemed "essential" during the pandemic, putting them at greater risk of contracting COVID-19 regardless of vaccination status and needing the security of a home in which to quarantine and recover.

Moreover, our nation's pandemic-related rental crisis is not an indefinite problem. Congress has

already authorized billions for rental assistance to help renters and landlords. While the allocation of this assistance has been slow at the state and local level, the resources are coming, and the delay is not the fault of families in need.

Mass evictions would cause irreparable, generational financial and emotional harm to families, including millions of children, and would negatively impact our broader society and economy at a time when we are all at our most vulnerable. It is imperative that Congress extends this eviction moratorium and ensures Americans remain in their homes.

Other organizations that signed onto this letter include:

**National Fair Housing Alliance**  
**National CAPACD**  
**NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund**  
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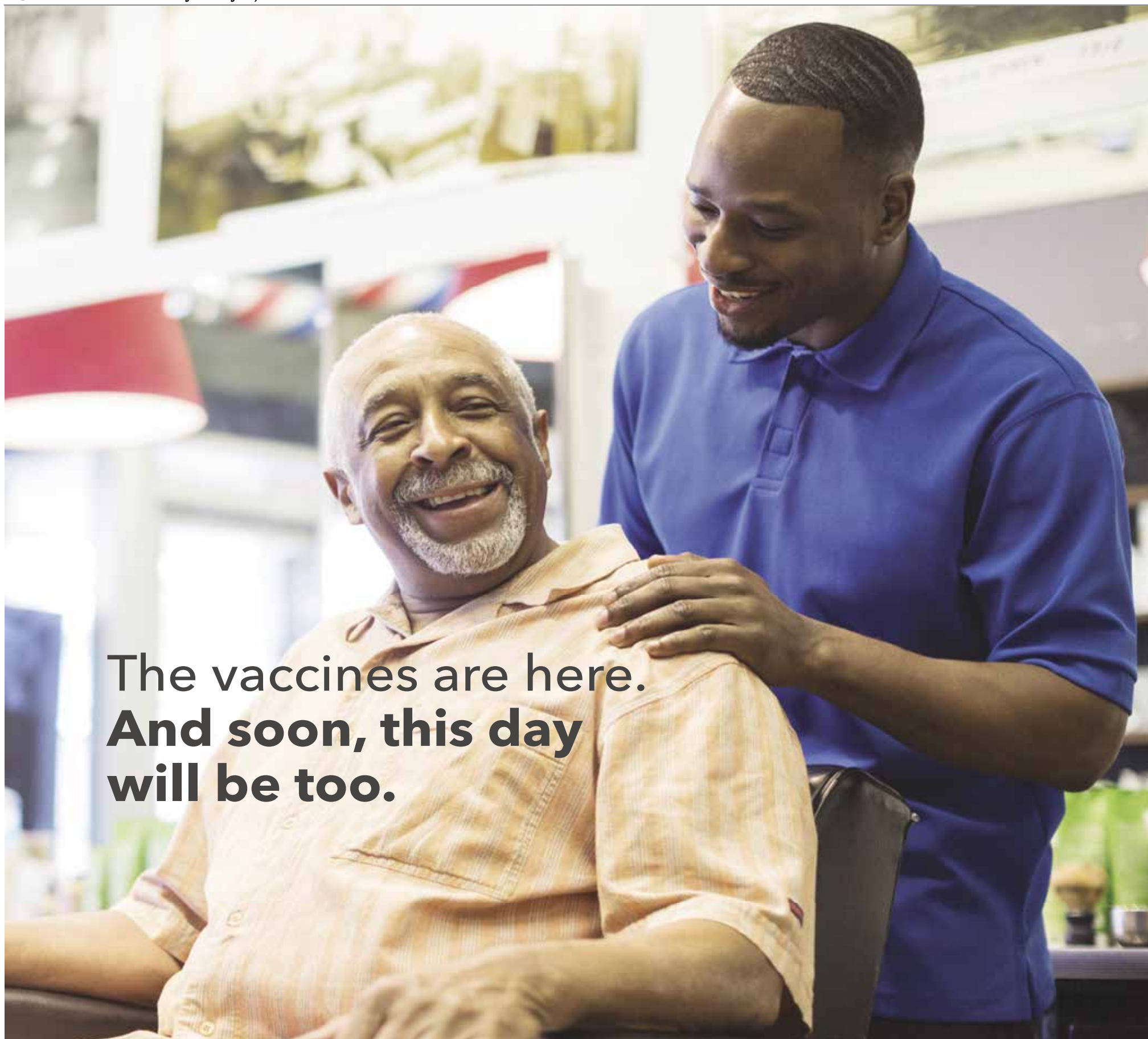
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