

I MATTER. YOU MATTER. WE MATTER.



ESSENCE

**BLACK
VOTERS
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I Matter. You Matter. We Matter. During these times, we want to remind you that your existence, your life, your story, your vote matters. During the month of May, we announced our first and second round of grantees for our Saving Ourselves Fund, hosted a #Giving Tuesday event, and held our first round of town halls in our partner states.

As an organization geared towards empowering the Black community, We can't stop and won't stop taking action and supporting those who do the same.

#BLACKLIVESMATTER



Merchandise can be replaced, Black lives cannot.

As we continue to witness the injustices happening in our communities and around our country we can't give up! We must continue to not only speak the names of those we have lost, but center their voices and continue to work towards Black liberation. We send love to the family, friends, and community of Ahmaud Arbery, Breonna Taylor, and George Floyd.

#GIVINGTUESDAY

To kick off the month of May, we held a #GivingTuesday Midday Mix and Virtual Fundraiser on May 5th to raise money for our Saving Ourselves Fund. This fund was developed to provide direct COVID-19 mutual aid to those in need. We also announced our first and second round of grant partners who will be receiving \$1,000-\$4,000. These funds will also benefit COVID-19 mutual aid efforts.

BVM HEALTH BRIEFING

On May 12, we held a Virginia health briefing. This event featured health experts, advocates, local health professionals and poultry workers of Virginia's Eastern Shore. The poultry workers discussed their stories and how their factories responded to their COVID-19 concerns and the direct effects COVID has had on the poultry industry.

We were also welcomed by health experts, local health professionals and community advocates who gave insight on their current findings within their local hospitals along with preventive safety measures.

PENNSYLVANIA & GEORGIA TOWN HALLS

Ahead of the Pennsylvania and Georgia primaries, we held two virtual town halls. The town halls featured our Pennsylvania State Coordinator Brittany Smalls and our Georgia Senior State Coordinator Wanda Mosley. During these two town halls they were able to discuss how to engage Black voters, provide information on how to check your voter registration status, find your polling locations, and mutual aid efforts happening in communities.

Take a look at how you can still take action:

- Text “WEMATTER” to 797979 and complete the sign-up form.
- PARTNER WITH US: Become a BVM partner organization. Email us at info@blackvotersmatterfund.org.
- Donate to the cause at <https://bit.ly/bvmdonate>
- SPREAD THE WORD: Tell 5 friends or family members to take one of these actions.

KEEP IN TOUCH AND GET INVOLVED



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- Sign up to be a BVM Texter:
<https://bit.ly/bvmtexter> to send out information regarding mutual aid efforts and election updates in select states.
- Head to blackvotersmatterfund.org and subscribe to our email list and stay updated on all things BVM.
- Help us continue our work of spreading love and building power.
Donate today!

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