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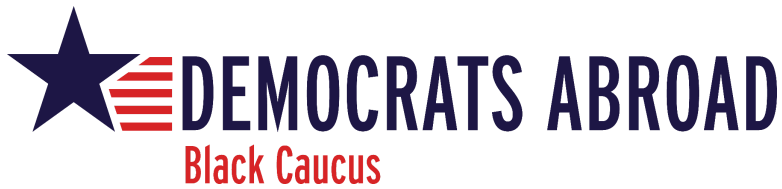
GBC Chair: Leedonal 'Jazz' Moore

- **Meetings:**

- Twanna
- Karen Frankenstein
- Candice Kerestan
- Jarryd Rauch
- Merrill Oates

Recent Activities:

- Created Mastodon account and exploring new ways of social media representation
- Member from Nigeria reached out seeking help and volunteering opportunities in the region -> connected to Elisabeth Myers
- Working on MLK resource materials
- Working on Black History Month resource materials and events: "Black Resistance in The Past, Present, and Future"
- Sent out newsletter
- Meet virtually with 2 new volunteers
- Shared multiple social media messages and posts
- Working on the GBC Library - ongoing
- Working on 2023/24 GBC Strategie - ongoing
- Shared survey with GBC steering committee
- In communication with GWC comms on Black History Month collab
- In communication with Elaine Thomas - New Poet Laureate content



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Issues/Themes:

- We are concerned about the inaccurate use of terminology at DA. - Ongoing
- We'd like to make the function of local Black Caucuses clearer within the framework of DA. - ongoing

Upcoming Activities (or in the process):

- GBC Steering Committee meeting & Work Session Jan 14
- Add reparations resources to monthly newsletter
- Collaboration with RTF on Reparations Survey - ongoing
- Working on 2023/24 GBC Strategie - ongoing -> Jan 14, 2023, GBC Work Session finalizing plan
- Housekeeping of the GBC Wiki -> Assigned our Dep. Secretary - ongoing
- GBC library & archive extension - ongoing
- Received spreadsheet for DNC Wintersession Talking Points - GBC

Events (held):

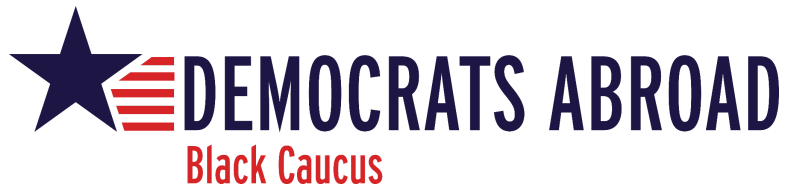
- Co-Sponsor ProDa & RTF event on Dec 26. 12 pm EST

Events (planned or in development):

- Event with Vicky Spiegel (Feb 11, 16:00PM CET) The National Welfare Rights Organization
- Clint Smith, How the world is passed
- DA China proposed a collaborative book club event
- Co-Sponsor RTF Jan 28, 2023, Nina Turner & DR. William Darity

Asks from Global:

- After the midterms GBC is hoping and requesting that DA creates incentives and initiatives to root out internal unconscious bias and racism. - ongoing



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GBC Vice-Chair: *vacant*

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GBC Secretary: Starla Goggins

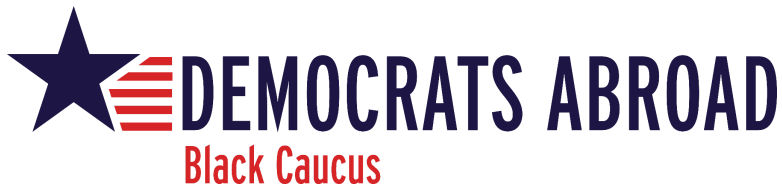
- The November minutes were sent to Jazz, the links for reports and the December meeting were sent to the Steering Committee Members.

GBC Secretary: Deputy: Laura Allen:

- Completing IT Liaison tests.
- Drafted Canada Black Caucus article for DA Canada news page.
- Wiki is all up to date for 2022 and we are set up for record keeping in the new year.
- Drafting up content ideas about famous/well-known Black Expats!

GBC DNC - Black Caucus Representative: Adrienne George

- Continuously updated DNC section on the DA Wiki.
- Continuously amplify Democratic Party and DA social media messaging.

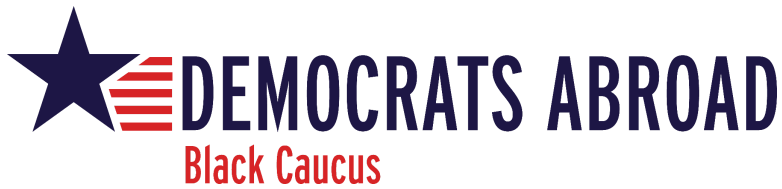


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- November: Voter Assistance on Intercomm.
- November: Attended DA Georgia Runoff call.
- November: Attended DA ExCOmm call.
- January: Attended DNC MLK Day of Service Kickoff Call

GBC Advisory Liaison: Adrienne Johnson

- The theme of this year's Congressional Black Caucus Foundation Annual Legislative Conference was "Advancing Our Purpose. Elevating Our Power". We need to align our work over the next 30 days and beyond to meet the challenge.
- Among this year's programs were : "Leveraging the Power of Black Women's Leadership In The Fight For Our Rights, Freedoms, Safety, Justice & Democracy." the session addressed how Black women drive Black political power and discussed findings from this year's BWR/ESSENCE [Power of the Sister Vote Poll](#), which measures Black women's perspectives on policies that affect us.
- The 2022 Town Hall focused on carrying on the legacy and journey of Black political progress, lessons learned, and strategic partnerships to advance Black liberation
- Research published this year under the auspices of the CBCF covers issues such as AI and how it affects you (unintended consequences), the history of reparations in the U.S. - Evanston, IL case study looking at how a current proposal there to enact restorative justice via housing assistance , the impact of the Dobbs decision on the Black maternal health crisis, and why student loan debt cancellation matters for our community (Black alumni endure the most negative impacts of student loan debt.



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While the average borrower owes almost \$40,000 in debt, Black borrowers owe an average of \$25,000 more than white borrowers.)

- Are there any other issues the GBC wants to highlight?

GBC Comms: Malaika Kusumi

- Nothing to report

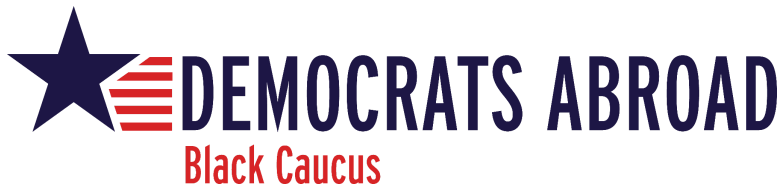
GBC Comms - Deputy: Evelyn Riera

FB changed their interface back to problematic process (more difficult for me to post)

GBC Reparations: Antar Keith

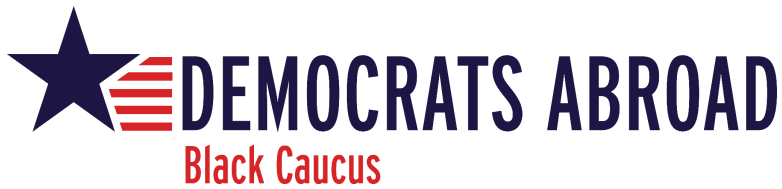
What the RTF has done:

- Awaiting Dr. William "Sandy" Darity for a Reparations event, reached out through mutual contact.
- Former Ohio State Senator Nina Turner confirmed.
- Sync with Japanese Latin American reparations movement representative to extend reparations activism to AP-region (specifically in Japan).
- Wrote members of Global ExCom to facilitate letter to VP Harris
- Submitted VP Kamala Harris invitation to Jarryd Rauch



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- DNC member Jarryd Rauch confirmed VP Harris team's successful receipt of RTF invitation.
- Working on resources for arguments / economic model, and resource library incl. "pros & cons" document
- Meeting with Kenniss Henry of HR 40 coalition for joining any potential meeting with VP
- Held sync with ProDA leaders to discuss shared goals and help devise future events (prison abolition event, invite extended to GBC)
- Connected with US-based reparationist NAASD organization.
- Connected with Chair of California State Reparations Task Force
- Discussed major interfaith, tripartisan, HR 40 coalitional, international org outreach strategies.
- Working to support Black Creek Nation (via Kaitlyn Kennedy)
- Invited Tulsa, OK's Damario Solomon-Simmons to Germany for reparations research, solidarity, and coordination (via Kaitlyn Kennedy).
- Devising strategy for labor rights organizing + Black reparations combined strategy for multiracial reparations activism.
- RTF collaborating with ProDA to contact newly elected Congressional members who lean progressive and can provide insight and support for ProDA-led prison abolition event.
- Kenniss Henry has agreed to join RTF and ProDA in prison abolition event with focus on Louisiana.
- Kenniss Henry submitted robust resource guide to educate people on reparative justice



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- K. Henry's resources and Daniel Stein's Living Library posted to RTF Nation Builder page.

2. Upcoming projects:

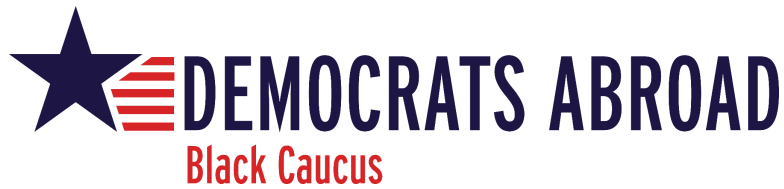
- Debate with reparations scholars
- Contacting new congressional point people for reparative justice advocacy in the Democratic Party
- Drafting international letter for advocacy
- Arranging meetings with any and all US political leaders in support of executive order and/or House legislation.
- RTF's Daniel Stein and Marnie Delaney held meeting to discuss devising an economic model of harm areas.
- Continuing work on devising arguments for reparations that clarify common misconceptions.

3. Events held:

- Nov 30 RTF meeting
- Meetings with ProDA and NY reparations study group to mainstream reparations advocacy

4. Events planned:

- Continuing bipartisan / tripartisan outreach.



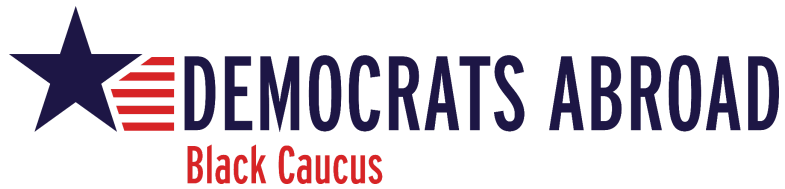
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- Developing long-term strategy to secure DA/DNC funding for Reparations-themed (Black and multiracial progressive focused) GOTV outreach project.
- Development of social media networking/communicational forces to reassert dominance of progressive reparations messaging.
- Reparations Finance Lab's Enith Williams to join us to help develop an economic model for education.
- Will work to identify book club opportunities in collaboration with existing and potential book clubs within DA.
- Will integrate book club into wider HR 40 coalition.
- Expecting Malaika's 2-page presentation to activate Black GBC members to get involved in RTF.
- Will develop a robust 3 to 5 year strategy to submit to Candice Kerestan and the Global ExCom in order to receive global support for Reparations-themed GOTV event, messaging, and advertising.
- Will develop reparations-themed Progressive Monthly Mondays event.
- Draft international letter.
- Reach out to faith organizations

5. Issues/Themes:

- Direct lobbying of representatives to support a federal reparations commission

6. Asks of GBC

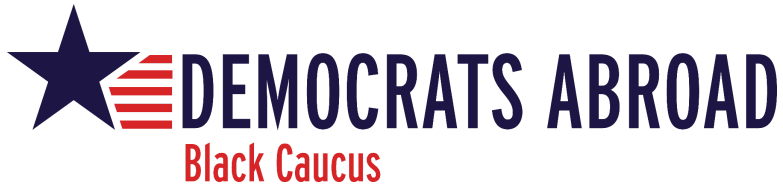


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- Resumption of monthly GBC Newsletter accompanied with reparations-related information. (Utilize and convey info from RTF monthly newsletter + minutes)
- Disseminate call to action for survey creator form a list of GBC members willing to engage in mass CallStorm/EmailStorm (can only be done by members with access to GBC email list)
- Disseminate call to action for informed volunteers to lead reparations-themed events for GBC during Black History Month.
- Disseminate call to action for social media volunteers
- Disseminate need for dedicated RTF volunteer secretary (for organizing docs, creating libraries of data, Wiki maintenance)
- RTF respectfully requests GBC to please provide Natalie with relevant caucus info (when available) to disseminate during monthly RTF meetings.

GBC Reparations - Deputy: Natalie Bachiri

- You can read this most recent Reparations Task Force meeting we had this week listed above to see all that we are working on with Reparations. Antar will not be here today for this meeting and I will go over it. We look forward to doing more with the Reparations Task Force as noted. I am also temporarily in the United States now and have been having many conversations with many people with regards to what DA does and the GBC Caucus and Reparations and can share some of that.



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GBC Press / Media: Traci Möller

- Nothing to report

GBC Press / Media - Deputy: Cedric Sumo

- Drafted letter for a media outreach campaign to begin soon/ the purpose is to get the word out about us and about the upcoming midterms.

GBC Legal Counsel: Michele O'Brien

- Statement re impact of recent Supreme Court decisions – ongoing collaboration with Andrew and Adrienne

GBC Legal Counsel - Deputy: Andrew Morgan

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GBC Network: Kenton Barnes

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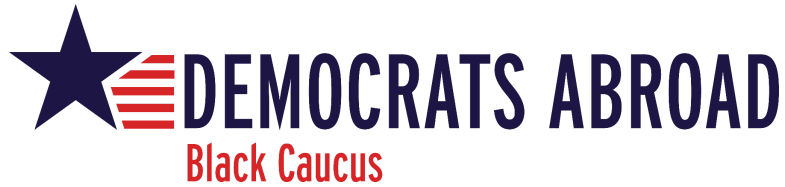
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GBC Network - Deputy: Renee Rousseau

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GBC Library: Beverle Lax

- Our last meeting was September 25, 2022. My task to fill in the spreadsheet designed by Jazz with the resources already identified and listed in a previous list was not met. However, Adrienne continued to collect resources and did attempt to fill in the spreadsheet. Since then I have attempted to fill in the spreadsheet with resources already identified, an exercise from which several questions concerning the process have arisen. In September's meeting we decided to continue with our tasks as we can, and we will have a meeting after the midterm elections.
- Meanwhile, I attended the EMEA Regional Meeting on 6th October at which a DA Kenya (DAKE) member and volunteer presented on our GOTV activities for the month of September. I prepared the visuals of our activities in a slide deck for the meeting.
- I also attended DA's California Congressional District event. This event was informative and inspirational.
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GBC Engagement: Evelyn Riera

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GBC Health Equity: Twanna A. Hines

- I represented Global Health Equity at Democrats Abroad's California Dreaming series, featuring: Jay Chen - CA 45; Kermit Jones - CA 03; Rep. Katie Porter - CA 47; and Will Rollins - CA 41. Adam Gray - CA 13 also joined the event. The purpose of the event was to give a platform to swing vote candidates.
- During the month of October, I reached out to local vendors to help build the Unstoppable Blue Wave event.

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