

## Statement regarding the government shutdown

The government shutdown is a reminder of the deep divisions in our political system and of the real cost of policy gridlock to everyday Americans. At moments like this, the mission of the League of Minority Voters could not be more urgent.

We were founded on the belief that the rights of minority and immigrant voters must be advanced through education, empowerment and mobilization and that the solutions to our most pressing challenges require bipartisan collaboration. While the shutdown underscores the consequences of partisan conflict, it also strengthens our resolve to bridge divides and cultivate leaders who put democracy and community first.

Through the establishment of our National Headquarters in Washington, D.C. and Youth Councils in 16 states, the League of Minority Voters is creating pathways for constructive dialogue, training the next generation of leaders and building a movement that works to strengthen faith in democracy by rising above partisan politics.

Our motto is simple, but powerful: **Greater Together.** This is our call to action. In the face of shutdowns, stalemates and polarization, we remain committed to bringing people together to strengthen civic participation, elevate minority voices and build the bipartisan solutions our nation so urgently needs. Please join us in proving that we are always Greater Together.

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