



**APATHY IS NOT AN OPTION** 2026  
Calendar

## **Our Mission**

**The SPLC is a catalyst for racial justice in the South and beyond, working in partnership with communities to dismantle white supremacy, strengthen intersectional movements and advance the human rights of all people.**

Dear Friend,

Thank you for your steadfast support of the Southern Poverty Law Center. You're helping to fuel our fight for a multiracial, inclusive democracy where everyone can thrive.

The SPLC was founded on the belief that change is possible. That belief has animated our work from our early days of desegregating Montgomery's public facilities and bankrupting white supremacist groups to confronting the Trump administration's abuses of power today. Our government has been weaponized against champions for democracy, justice and equality. Even nonprofits that advance the public interest are targets.

This work has never been easy — and in some ways, our movement is now facing unprecedented challenges. But there is always hope for a more just and equitable future.

The 2026 SPLC Calendar is a special tribute to persistence in the face of hate and apathy. As you flip through the art featured in this calendar, we hope each image serves as a reminder of what we can achieve together. The theme this year, "Apathy Is Not an Option," is both a call to action in this urgent moment and a testament to all those who have marched in the movement for a better America.

Time and again, our nation has faced down the forces of injustice, exclusion and racial terror. In those moments, ordinary people refused to stand by. They organized, they raised their voices and they linked arms in movements that changed the course of history. All of us must do so again today.

It's been more than five decades since the SPLC took its first case, *Smith v. Young Men's Christian Association*. It all began when two young boys excitedly turned in their applications for summer camp in Montgomery, only to be rejected because they were Black.

Their families had a choice. They could either accept the rejection, or they could fight it together. They chose to fight, and through their courage and resolve — and with the legal representation of what would soon become the SPLC — they won their case and integrated the local YMCA for all young people. The SPLC stood up then, and it is standing up now.

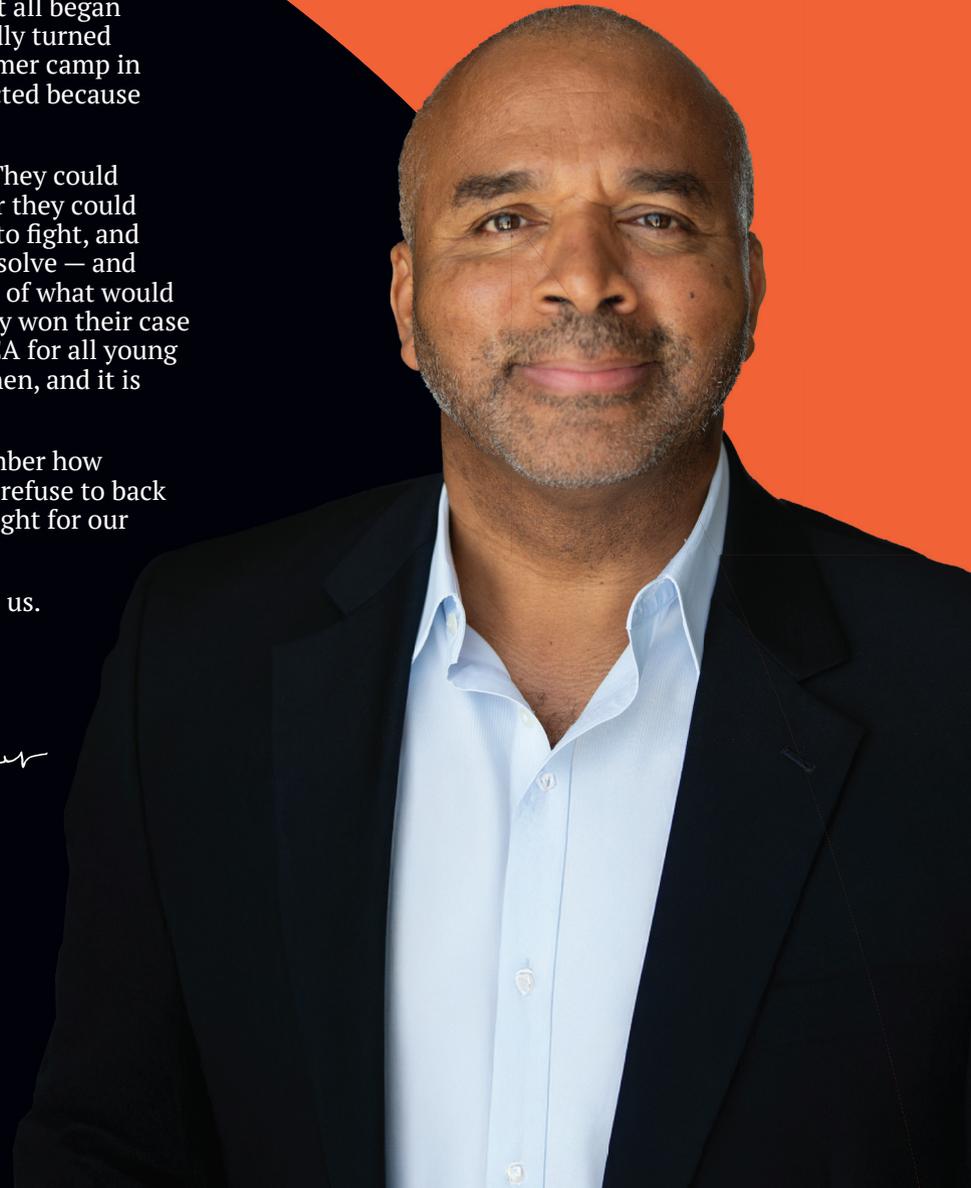
Remember that story. Remember how change can happen when we refuse to back down from tyranny, and we fight for our highest ideals — together.

Thank you for marching with us.

With gratitude,



Bryan Fair  
Interim President and CEO





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# January



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				New Year's Day 1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1993 · SPLC landmark victory in <i>Holmes v. Hunt</i> removes Confederate flag from atop AL State Capitol						
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
		1976 · SPLC landmark victory in <i>Pugh v. Locke</i> mandates AL prison reform				
18	Martin Luther King Jr. Day 19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	International Holocaust Remembrance Day 27	28	29	30	31



### It's Time To Renew

Renew your membership and commitment to justice today at [splcenter.org/renew](https://splcenter.org/renew).

In this illustration, **Courn Ahn (they/them)** depicts a vibrant community filled with momentum and hope. We come together in 2026 to look forward, excited about the growth and change we fight to make possible.

...UNTIL JUSTICE ROLLS DOWN LIKE WATERS  
AND RIGHTEOUSNESS LIKE A MIGHTY STREAM

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.



# February



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10 2010 · SPLC settlement in <i>Rosiles-Perez v. Superior Forestry Service Inc.</i> recovers immigrant worker wages in post-Katrina New Orleans	11 2020 · SPLC testifies before Congress on combating white supremacy in U.S. military	12 1987 · SPLC landmark victory in <i>Donald v. United Klans of America</i> shuts down Klan group after lynching in Mobile, AL	13 2024 · SPLC files first federal lawsuit challenging GA classroom censorship policies in <i>Rinderle v. Cobb County School District</i>	14 Valentine's Day
15 Presidents' Day	16	17 Lunar New Year (Year of the Horse begins) Ramadan (sunset to nightfall March 18) Mardi Gras	18 Ash Wednesday	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27 2023 · SPLC settlement in <i>Zelaya v. Hammer</i> compensates Latinx workers unlawfully arrested and detained in massive ICE raid	28



## Black History Month

Explore the SPLC's Civil Rights Memorial Center and the stories of those who paved the way for justice. Visit [splcenter.org/civil-rights-memorial](https://splcenter.org/civil-rights-memorial) to learn more.

**Kim Holt (she/her)** memorializes young martyrs of the Civil Rights Movement, all of whom are honored at the SPLC's Civil Rights Memorial: Emmett Till, Denise McNair, Addie Mae Collins, Carole Robertson, Cynthia Wesley and Virgil Lamar Ware.



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GROWING OUR MOVEMENT  
FOR A JUST WORLD

# March



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	Purim 2	3	Holi 4	Selma Bridge Crossing Jubilee Weekend (through March 8) 5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Daylight saving time begins						2023 · SPLC victory in <i>Singleton v. City of Montgomery</i> secures permanent injunction against AL statutes criminalizing panhandling
2023 · Marion County Sheriff's Office of FL amends discriminatory policies that led to illegal detention in SPLC lawsuit <i>Brooks v. Woods</i>						
15	16	St. Patrick's Day 17	18	19	20	Eid al-Fitr 21
1974 · SPLC landmark victory in <i>Relf v. Weinberger</i> brings U.S. government-funded sterilization of Black women into national spotlight						
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
		2023 · SPLC files lawsuit to protect historic site in Eatonville, FL; developer withdraws from project			1995 · SPLC's Learning for Justice classroom film <i>A Time for Justice</i> wins Oscar for Best Documentary (Short Subject)	
Palm Sunday 29	30	International Transgender Day of Visibility 31				
2006 · MS enacts legislation developed with SPLC to overhaul state youth justice system, reducing incarceration of children		César Chavez Day				
		2025 · SPLC victory in <i>Yellowhammer Fund v. Marshall</i> prevents criminal prosecution of people helping pregnant AL residents access legal abortion				



## Keep Yourself Informed

Stay connected to the fight for justice — make sure you're following the SPLC on social media for important updates, victories and ways to take action.

**Olly Costello (they/them)** uses physical media like pencils and cut paper to draw inspiration from their greenhouse. It's there that they put their visions into action — not just growing food, but also imagining new ways to grow the movement for justice.



# April



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>Passover</b> (sunset to nightfall April 9) 1	2	<b>Good Friday</b> 3	4
<b>Easter</b> 5	6	7	8	9	10	11
<b>Orthodox Easter</b> 12	<b>Yom HaShoah</b> 13	14	<b>Tax Day</b> 15	16	17	18
19	20	21	<b>Earth Day</b> 22	23	24	25
26	2020 · SPLC victory in <i>Frailhat v. ICE</i> wins freedom for tens of thousands held in immigrant detentions at risk of COVID-19	2016 · SPLC launches Whose Heritage? project to help communities remove symbols of Confederacy from public spaces	2022 · SPLC launches Advocacy Institute to build policy skills among community stakeholders in Deep South	29	30	



## Hopewatch

Hope is the cure to apathy. Visit the SPLC's Hopewatch blog at [splcenter.org/hopewatch](https://splcenter.org/hopewatch) to get inspired by the people tirelessly advocating for racial and social justice.

**Michelle Kondrich's (she/her)** energetic illustration of resilience and solidarity celebrates the SPLC's community of activism. In the face of adversity, we find power in uniting our voices.



# May



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					<b>May Day</b> 1  2024 · SPLC launches The South's Got Now   Decidimos, a bilingual voter engagement campaign to energize young voters of color	2
3	4	<b>Cinco de Mayo</b> 5	6	7	8	2023 · SPLC settlement in Jacksonville Branch of the NAACP vs. City of Jacksonville implements fair voting maps in FL city after racial gerrymandering
<b>Mother's Day</b> 10	11	12	13	14  1973 · SPLC landmark U.S. Supreme Court victory in <i>Frontiero v. Richardson</i> , the first successful sex discrimination case against federal government	<b>Malcolm X Day</b> 15	16
17	18	19	20	20  <b>Shavuot</b> (sunset to nightfall May 23)	21 <b>Harvey Milk Day</b> 22	23
<b>Pentecost</b> 24	<b>Memorial Day</b> 25	<b>Eid al-Adha</b> 26	27	28	29	30
31						



### Apathy is Not an Option Podcast

The SPLC's podcast explores the fight for justice, the power of community and the urgent issues shaping our democracy. Learn more at [splcenter.org/podcast](https://splcenter.org/podcast).

**Miriam Martincic (she/her)** uplifts the power of community with an illustration featuring people learning, making art, voting and being active participants in the fight for justice. Joy is a powerful and sustaining force for change.



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	1	2	3	4	5	6
		2023 · Former SPLC staff attorney Nancy Abudu is sworn in as first Black woman judge of U.S. 11th Circuit Court of Appeals				
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	2023 · U.S. Supreme Court adopts arguments in SPLC amicus brief for <i>Allen v. Milligan</i> decision, requiring creation of second majority-Black district in AL					
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
		2020 · SPLC launches Vote Your Voice campaign to directly support community civic engagement			Juneteenth	1980 · SPLC landmark U.S. Supreme Court victory in <i>Beck v. Alabama</i> finds state death penalty statute unconstitutional
Father's Day	21	22	23	24	Ashura	25
					2015 · SPLC victory in <i>Ferguson v. JONAH</i> rules operations of gay "conversion therapy" organization to be consumer fraud	2017 · SPLC victory in <i>Braggs v. Dunn</i> reforms mental health care for people incarcerated in AL
28	29	30				



**Friends of the Center**

Become a Friend of the Center by starting a monthly donation! You'll receive exclusive perks and help the SPLC pursue justice all year round. Visit [splcenter.org/fotc](https://splcenter.org/fotc) to join now.

**Laura Lannes (she/her)** honors Sylvia Rivera for LGBTQ+ Pride Month. Rivera played a critical role in the Stonewall Inn uprising and dedicated her life to advocating for her fellow transgender people, especially transgender women of color.



PUBLIC LIBRARY

REGISTER TO VOTE

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	Independence Day 4
5	<b>SPLC's 55th Anniversary</b> 6	7	8	9	10	11
	1971 · SPLC is formally incorporated	2025 · Launched Redistricting Advocacy & Community Engagement (RACE) Program to provide advocates training for fair district maps				
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
			2022 · SPLC and Washington-Baltimore News Guild Local 32035 reach collective bargaining agreement to form SPLC Union			
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
2021 · SPLC launches MS State Office to work directly with communities to build capacity for transformational change				2024 · Settlement reached to reinstate Patrick Braxton as first Black mayor of Newbern, AL, after SPLC investigation exposes obstruction by former town leadership	1998 · SPLC landmark victory in <i>Macedonia Baptist Church v. Christian Knights of KKK</i> wins largest ever judgment against hate group for destruction of Black church	
<b>National Disability Independence Day</b> 26	27	28	29	30	31	



### 55 Years of Justice

This month marks 55 years of the SPLC's resistance, resilience and progress. Thank you for being part of the movement. Explore the legacy by visiting [splcenter.org/about/our-history](https://splcenter.org/about/our-history).

**Lindsay Stripling (she/her)** depicts a neighborhood bustling with activity. This is a place where people enjoy their community and take part in civic life. Familiar faces and everyday conversations can empower movements and spark change.



# August



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8 2019 · SPLC victory in <i>Gersh v. Anglin</i> holds neo-Nazi leader accountable for online harassment campaign against Jewish woman and family
9	10 1998 · SPLC landmark settlement in <i>Austin v. James</i> ends chain gangs in AL	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26 2014 · SPLC settlement in <i>Cleveland v. City of Montgomery</i> ends jailing of indigent people unable to pay traffic fines	27	28	29 2013 · SPLC victory in <i>Cooper-Harris v. United States</i> guarantees spousal veteran benefits for same-gender couples
30 1999 · SPLC landmark settlement in <i>Penny Doe v. Richardson</i> ensures access to public education for youth experiencing homelessness in AL	31 2012 · SPLC landmark victory in <i>Ruiz v. Robinson</i> protects in-state tuition for students without proof of parental citizenship status					



### Make-A-Will Month

Visit [freewill.com/splc](http://freewill.com/splc) to create your own will for free. You can provide enduring support for your loved ones and the causes you care about most.

Honoring educators' lasting legacy on future generations, **Sally Deng (she/her)** depicts a mighty tree standing tall. The tree represents the connection between past and present, providing shade for an outdoor class.



VOTE

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# September



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
					2020 · SPLC victory in <i>NAACP v. DeVos</i> blocks U.S. Department of Education plan to divert COVID-19 relief funds away from public schools	
6	<b>Labor Day</b> 7	8	9	10	<b>Rosh Hashanah</b> 11 (sunset to nightfall Sep. 13)	12
	2000 · SPLC landmark victory in <i>Keenan v. Aryan Nations</i> forces white supremacist group to turn over compound to family it terrorized					
13	14	<b>National Voter Registration Day</b> 15	16	17	18	19
<b>Yom Kippur</b> 20	21	22	23	24	<b>Sukkot</b> 25 (sunset to nightfall Oct. 2)	26
			2010 · SPLC's Learning for Justice program releases <i>Bullied: A Student, a School and a Case That Made History</i> , a classroom film and educational kit to tackle anti-LGBTQ+ bullying	2024 · SPLC victory in <i>Alabama State Conference of the NAACP v. Marshall</i> blocks criminalization of most forms of absentee voting assistance in AL		
27	28	29	30			
		2023 · SPLC's Learning for Justice releases curriculum framework, <i>Teaching the Civil Rights Movement</i>	2009 · SPLC's Learning for Justice program premieres <i>Viva La Causa</i> , a classroom film about farmworker strikes led by Cesar Chavez and Dolores Huerta			



## Register To Vote

Democracy needs defenders. Check your voter registration at [vote.org](https://www.vote.org) — and help others in your community do the same.

**Molly Mendoza (they/she)** fills a vibrant world with people engaging in their community. Apathy crumbles when we work together to help neighbors get to the polls and submit their ballots. Defending democracy has never been more important.



# October



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
					2023 · SPLC and community leaders testify at United Nations Human Rights Committee on U.S. compliance with International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights	
<b>National Coming Out Day</b> 11	<b>Indigenous Peoples Day</b> 12	13	14	15	16	17
					2024 · SPLC victory in <i>Alabama Coalition for Immigrant Justice v. Allen</i> prevents unlawful AL voter purge less than 90 days before general election	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	2023 · Neo-Nazi "Blood Tribe" sells land in rural ME after plan for encampment derailed by SPLC and local reporters					1972 · U.S. Supreme Court affirms SPLC landmark victory in <i>Nixon v. Brewer</i> , requiring reapportionment of AL legislature to represent Black population more equitably
25	<b>Intersex Awareness Day</b> 26	27	<b>National Immigrants Day</b> 28	29	30	<b>Halloween</b> 31
1990 · SPLC landmark ruling in <i>Berhanu v. Metzger</i> holds White Aryan Resistance accountable for role in murder of Ethiopian student Mulugeta Seraw				2013 · SPLC settlement in <i>HICA v. Bentley</i> guts AL anti-immigrant law considered toughest in nation		



## Hate Crimes Awareness Month

Learn how you can recognize, report and stand against hate in your community at [splcenter.org/hcam](https://splcenter.org/hcam).

**Hokyoung Kim (she/her)** uses soft tones and lighting to convey solidarity, unity and resistance. The SPLC stands strong in the face of hate by empowering communities to work together.



# November



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Daylight saving time ends 1	2	Election Day 3	4	5 1989 · SPLC dedicates Civil Rights Memorial designed by Maya Lin	6 2022 · SPLC files lawsuit <i>Crowell v. Cobb County Board of Elections &amp; Registration</i> two days before Election Day, securing relief for GA absentee voters	7
Diwali 8	9	10	Veteran's Day 11	12	13	14
15	16 2022 · SPLC and PERIL at American University release <i>Building Networks &amp; Addressing Harm: A Community Guide to Online Youth Radicalization</i>	17	18	19	Transgender Day of Remembrance 20	21 1989 · SPLC landmark settlement in <i>Brown v. Invisible Empire Klan</i> over hate violence in Decatur, AL, requires Klan members to pay damages and attend race relations course
22	23	24	25	Thanksgiving 26	27	28
29	30					



### It's Time To Vote

Election Day is this month! Your vote is your voice — make it count. Visit [vote.org/polling-place-locator](https://vote.org/polling-place-locator) to find your polling place.

**Gabriella Trujillo (she/her)** depicts the late congressman and civil rights hero John Lewis in front of a backdrop of people inspired by his legacy. Lewis dedicated his life to fighting for voting rights. The SPLC honors him by continuing the march.



# December



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>Giving Tuesday</b> 1 <b>Rosa Parks Day</b> 2022 · SPLC delivers remarks on human rights in U.S. on panel at United Nations in Geneva, Switzerland	2	3	<b>Hanukkah</b> 4 (sunset to nightfall Dec. 12)	5
6	7	8	9	<b>Human Rights Day</b> 10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	<b>National Homeless Persons' Memorial Day</b> 21	22 2023 · SPLC aids removal of Confederate monument from Arlington National Cemetery	23	<b>Christmas Eve</b> 24	<b>Christmas Day</b> 25	<b>Kwanzaa</b> 26 (through Jan. 1)
27	28	29	30	<b>New Year's Eve</b> 31		



### Season of Giving

Help power our fight into the new year — make your year-end tax-deductible gift today at [splcenter.org/support](https://splcenter.org/support). Thank you!

**Noah Grigni (they/them)** envisions a world transformed by liberation and love. They depict an outdoor gathering where people share food and celebrate community, abundance and hope.

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January



February



March



April



May



June



July



August



September



October



November



December



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justice, equity and liberation a  
reality for all people.**



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