



**Chatham County Democratic Party
News You Can Use
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CCDP Events

Town Hall: Local Impact of Federal Budget Cuts, April 12, 2 – 4 p.m., Jordan-Matthews High School, 910 E Cardinal St, Siler City

US Congressman Richard Hudson is afraid to face Chatham voters in person. But, our representatives in the North Carolina General Assembly, Representative Robert Reives and Senator Natalie Murdock, understand the meaning of public service. They will be joining us for a town hall. And they want to hear from you! Leader Reives and Senator Murdock will be joined by Melissa Driver Beard, Executive Director of CORA, and Anna Tuell, Executive Director of Chatham Habitat for Humanity, to discuss the effect of federal budget cuts on Chatham residents. Start thinking of the questions you want to ask and RSVP at: [Town Hall: Local Impact of Federal Budget Cuts](#)

Chatham County Democratic Party County Convention, April 26, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

The county convention will be held at George Moses Horton Middle School in Pittsboro on **April 26th, from 10 am to 1 pm**. Our keynote speaker will be Justice Allison Riggs. We are excited!

The Convention is open to all Chatham Dems. However, only delegates elected at the precinct meetings held in March are eligible to vote.

We will be voting on county officers, members of the State Executive Committee, and delegates to the Congressional District Convention, which will be held in May.

County Convention Sign-Up

Training – Staffing Tent Events, April 10, 6 - 7 p.m.; April 20, 3 – 4 p.m., (Virtual Event)

Volunteer at a CCDP Tent at one of the many community events we participate in during the year. We cover everything you need to know to feel comfortable and competent staffing our tent.

This is a one-hour Zoom training Zoom. Even if you've been a tent event volunteer in the past, come see what's new this year.

Sign up at: [Training – Staffing Tent Events](#)

Training – Voter Education, April 12, 1 – 12:30 p.m. and May 10, 1 – 2:30 p.m., Community Engagement Center, 628 East St. Suite A, Pittsboro

Get ready to help voters understand and participate successfully in the election process! This ninety-minute training will cover the Voter Registration form, Photo ID and Exceptions, how to vote in person and by mail, and Provisional ballots.

This is a great way to prepare for volunteering in the CCDP Community Engagement Center, educating voters at CCDP events around the county, and sharing election information with friends and family.

Sign up at: [Training – Voter Education](#)

Training – Join Our Office Crew, April 17, 2 – 3:30 p.m.; May 3, 3 – 4:30 p.m., Community Engagement Center, 628 East St. Suite A, Pittsboro

Volunteer at CCDP's Community Engagement Center! This training covers everything you need to know to feel comfortable and competent staffing the office along with an experienced volunteer. After this one-time training session, you will be a CEC Associate

Office Staff Member and you will be paired with a Senior Office Staff Member. We will work with your availability and preferences and get you on the Staffing Calendar.

Sign up at: [Training - Join Our Office Crew](#)

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News from the Democratic National Committee

Last Night's Results Show Democrats the Path Forward

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News from the North Carolina Democratic Party

Democrats had a big WIN last night in the WI Supreme Court Race. Taking home a seat and showing Elon Musk that the people are not for sale. Unfortunately, North Carolinians are *STILL* fighting Jefferson Griffin's attempt to steal an election he lost 5 MONTHS AGO! [Join us on April 7th, from 6-8pm](#), as we call voters to inform and empower them to tell their stories and protect their votes. *No experience necessary!* You'll get all the training you need when we kick off by Zoom.

The 2025 NCGA session has officially begun! It's time to make sure you and your friends know who their elected officials are! Visit [NCLEG.GOV/FINDYOURLEGISLATORS](https://ncleg.gov/findyourlegislators) and search for *your address!* Be sure to get acquainted and **save their contact info** so you are always prepared to reach out!

Our digital messages this week are:

Bathroom Bullsh*t - Last week the GOP introduced [SB516](#), a bill designed to bring devastation to our communities. The bill is a revised version of HB2, a 2016 bill they single handedly passed, hurting the transgender community and destroying North Carolina's economy. While North Carolinians face growing attacks on Medicaid, Social Security, public schools, and democracy, all the GOP leadership cares to think about is their bathroom bullsh*t.

No Third Term -This is no April Fool's joke, Donald says he ["isn't joking"](#) about finding a way to give himself a third term. We shouldn't be surprised-this is the same man who vowed to be a *"Dictator on day one"*. However, statements like these are not soundbites, they're warnings. He's telling us exactly what he wants to do. That's why *every single seat* matters. From school board to statehouse to Congress-we need Democrats in office who will stand up to this authoritarian administration and defend democracy at every level. The stakes couldn't be clearer. The threat couldn't be louder. In America we don't have dictators or kings and we won't have a third term of Donald trump.

World Health Day - On **Monday, April 7th**, we observe World Health Day—a day dedicated to promoting global health awareness. While America has long been a leader in medical research, the current administration's decision to withdraw from the World Health Organization (WHO) is a step backward. It's vital that we continue to push for policies that ensure accessible, affordable, and quality healthcare for all, without leading to financial hardship. On this World Health Day, let us reaffirm our commitment to a future where every American has the opportunity to thrive in health and safety, and where healthy beginnings lead to hopeful futures.

Defunding Crisis Care - Republicans love to talk about “protecting women” but their actions? Pure hypocrisy. NC GOP leadership has just slashed funding to 18 rape crisis care centers-lifelines for survivors seeking help, healing, and justice after some of the most horrific moments imaginable. So, where is the money going? Straight into the pockets of anti-abortion groups with cozy GOP ties. This isn't just a budget tweak; it's a gut punch to survivors. Rape care centers provide counseling, medical care, and advocacy-not just pamphlets and prayers. NCGOP isn't protecting women; they're abandoning them for political gain. Take action and stand with the survivors of North Carolina by calling your representative and demand they restore funding to these critical facilities.

See y'all on the Internet,
NCDP digital

Trump's Health Cuts Gut NC Care — Jeff Jackson Fights Back **NEW**

Trump's Health and Human Services Secretary, Robert F. Kennedy Jr., just slashed over \$11 billion in health care funding, and North Carolina is getting hit hard. The Trump administration's reckless cuts could cost our state over \$230 million — eliminating support for rural hospitals, addiction treatment, EMS services, disease tracking, and more.

The big idea: Donald Trump is dismantling public health in real time — and it's North Carolina's families, seniors, and frontline workers who are paying the price. Jeff Jackson is taking him to court to stop it.

Why it matters:

- Over **80 jobs gone** from the NC Department of Health and Human Services.
- **\$100M+** in immediate losses, according to the state.
- **\$230M** total projected losses, according to AG Jackson.
- These cuts will gut programs that:
 - Track measles, flu, and other infectious diseases.
 - Support mental health and addiction recovery — especially in rural NC.
 - Fund EMS responders, nursing home outbreak response, and college recovery programs.

All because Trump's team claims the "pandemic is over" and that funding communities rely on is now "waste."

What Democrat Jeff Jackson is doing:

- He joined a 23-state lawsuit against the Trump administration to block the cuts immediately.
- He made clear this isn't just about budget numbers — it's about keeping people alive, keeping hospitals open, and keeping emergency care available in every county.

"My job is to be a shield for the people of North Carolina," Jackson said. "You don't cancel a quarter-billion dollars in legally allocated health funding and call that 'efficiency.' You call that what it is — dangerous and illegal."

Meanwhile, NC Republicans...

- Are standing by as Trump guts services in their own districts — especially in rural areas that are already underserved.
- Tried to punish Jeff Jackson for standing up for us — filing a bill that would block him from challenging Trump's executive orders at all.
- **They're more concerned about protecting Trump than protecting their own constituents.**

Trump is pulling the plug on health care in North Carolina — and instead of fighting back, Republicans are trying to muzzle the one person actually doing something about it. Jeff Jackson is in court defending our hospitals. The GOP is in Raleigh defending Trump's ego.

> NC Republicans Hand Job Cuts to an Algorithm with the DAVE Act NEW

North Carolina Republicans are handing over public jobs to an algorithm — literally. The so-called "**DAVE Act**" gives GOP State Auditor Dave Boliek the power to recommend mass layoffs and agency shutdowns using AI to determine whether state workers are "efficient" enough to keep.

The big idea: Republicans want to use artificial intelligence to identify which state agencies and workers should be cut — and then give a Republican politician the megaphone to say who goes and who stays.

Why it matters: 14,000+ jobs in state government are currently vacant. Instead of solving the hiring crisis, the GOP wants to use those vacancies as justification to gut entire departments.

- This isn't theoretical. The DAVE Act lets AI evaluate whether entire agencies should still exist.
- It's named after Boliek himself. This is partisan power consolidation masquerading as "efficiency."

This is government by Silicon Valley cosplay. **Elon Musk meets Raleigh**, and the workers are the ones paying the price.

Democrats are sounding the alarm:

- **Sen. Sophia Chitlick** (Durham): “What happens to our economy when we cut out 14,000 middle-class jobs?”
- **Sen. Caleb Theodros** (Mecklenburg): “There are some decisions a human has to make.”
- **Sen. Lisa Grafstein** (Wake): “This isn’t about efficiency. It’s about politics.”

Even Boliek admits the auditor’s office already has the power to do most of this. So why pass a new law? Because it gives the Republican legislature cover to cut jobs and agencies under the guise of ‘data.’

A bigger pattern:

- Last year, Republicans gave Boliek control over election oversight.
- Now they want to give him power over the very existence of entire state agencies.
- Oh, and this new “Division of Accountability, Value, and Efficiency” — it conveniently expires right before Boliek’s term ends. Pure politics.

North Carolina Republicans want to let a partisan auditor and a robot decide which jobs are worth saving. Democrats believe in governing with people, not replacing them with code.

> Trump & Rubio’s Student Purge Hits NC State **NEW**

Two NC State students were forced to leave the country after the Trump administration revoked their student visas without explanation — part of a growing pattern of targeting international students, especially those from Arab countries or associated with pro-Palestinian views.

The big idea: Donald Trump and Marco Rubio are using the State Department to quietly purge U.S. universities of international students they don’t like — often with zero due process, zero transparency, and zero explanation. NC State, which enrolls more international students than any other school in the UNC system, is now squarely in the crosshairs.

Why it matters: Both students had no known connection to protests, political speech, or activism. One of them, a chemical engineering student named Saleh Al Gurad, was described as a quiet, studious young man who “minded his business and studied.”

- The Trump administration still revoked their visas, and Marco Rubio bragged about signing 300+ visa revocations in just the past few weeks.
- The decision left the university scrambling, and the students with no choice but to leave the U.S. and finish their coursework online — thousands of miles from their labs, professors, and classmates.

Let's be real: This isn't about national security. It's about using immigration policy to punish dissent and intimidate entire communities.

- Rubio's State Department has been actively screening student visa applicants' social media posts, looking for any signs of pro-Palestinian sympathies — even if they're peaceful, legal, and constitutionally protected speech.
- There is no allegation that these two NC State students did anything wrong. They were expelled from the country without warning, process, or explanation.

The local angle: NC Republicans love to talk about supporting higher education, but where are they now?

- NC State is our top university for international enrollment in the UNC system, and foreign students make up a huge portion of our research base, especially in STEM fields.
- By siding with Trump and Rubio, NC Republicans are hurting our universities, scaring off researchers and future entrepreneurs, and weakening North Carolina's global leadership.

This is a direct attack on North Carolina's innovation economy.

The Trump-Rubio policy is simple: If you're an Arab student, you're guilty until proven innocent. And if you say the wrong thing on social media, you're out. That's not freedom. That's not safety. That's authoritarianism in disguise — and it's playing out right here at NC State.

North Carolina Democrats slam Republicans on funding delays to North Carolina adoptive families

Following the Federal government's failure to release funding to states to supplement adoptive parents' income, the North Carolina Democratic Party released the following statements:

“Children, who have already experienced upheaval, should not have to suffer another blow because the ‘party that advocates for family values’ can't care enough to fund adoption care. The chaos Donald Trump and Elon Musk are creating in the federal government is having a real, tangible impact on North Carolina families. Children rely on these resources. The families who open their hearts and homes to care for adopted children rely on these resources. In what world is funding an adoption program ‘waste, fraud or abuse?’ It's certainly not a world that North Carolinians deserve,” **said Coalitions and Community Engagement Director and adoptive father Dorian Palmer.**

“As a social worker with more than 20 years of experience, I've worked with children in the foster care and adoption system experiencing the trauma of removal from their birth families. I've also worked alongside foster and adoptive families who open their homes and hearts to these children. They ALL deserve better than this from our elected

officials. I am disgusted with the (in)action of the Federal Government to resource families who give kids a fighting chance to make their world a better place," **said Dr. Kimberly Hardy, second Vice Chair of the North Carolina Democratic Party.** "Senators Budd and Tillis, for the first time in God knows when, do the right thing: hold the White House accountable."

"What republicans are doing to adoptive families is cruelty cloaked in cowardice. As a child welfare attorney and social worker, I've looked into the eyes of kids ripped away from everything they've known, and watched them pray that someone would show up for them. Adoptive families are the ones who show up for these kids— and they do it every single day. But now, because of Republican dysfunction and political games, these families are being punished for their compassion. It's disgraceful. We aren't talking about numbers on a spreadsheet here —we're talking about North Carolina's most vulnerable children," **said Senate Democratic Leader Sydney Batch.** "If you claim to care about kids, and if you claim to care about families, then prove it. Fund them and take care of those who fight every day to give these kids a shot at something better."

"North Carolina families are working hard to make ends meet, but when Republicans in Washington tinker with important programs, those same families are the ones who pay the price," **said House Democratic Leader Robert Reives.** "The people of our state deserve certainty that crucial services will remain intact and leaders who will stand up for their people when those programs are being deliberately broken."

Background:

Title [IV-E Adoption Assistance](#) provides funds to states and participating territories and tribes to facilitate the timely placement of children, whose special needs or circumstances would otherwise make them difficult to place with adoptive families. The most assistance you're able to get is \$810 for a kid, depending on age – and that's not enough as it is.

Republicans in Congress are pushing the so-called "Federal Workforce Freedom Act" — a bill that would **ban union representation for federal workers.** That means eliminating federal workers' right to organize, bargain for better wages, and protect their benefits, safety, and dignity at work.

This is nothing less than a coordinated attack on working families and the basic rights unions have fought for over generations. This is just one of many attacks on our right to stand up for ourselves in the workplace. If they succeed now, it won't stop there — **your job, your protections, and your voice could be next.**

Don't worry if you're not feeling creative—we've got the writing covered. Just click below, enter your contact info, and it will automatically email both of their offices urging them to vote no.

EMAIL TILLIS & BUDD

North Carolina Democrats are fighting back, but we can't do it alone. We need every working North Carolinian to speak up — right now.

Tell Senators Thom Tillis and Ted Budd to vote NO on the Federal Workforce Freedom Act.

In solidarity,
Team NCDP

Court of Appeals put party above voting rights

North Carolina Democratic Party Chair Anderson Clayton released the following statement on the NC Court of Appeals' decision in Jefferson Griffin's attempt to reverse the outcome of his election:

"Today, Republican judges Tyson and Gore put party affiliation above the rights of North Carolina voters. In an unsigned, partisan decision, they legitimized Jefferson Griffin's unconstitutional challenge to more than 66,000 voters, and held that those voters should be forced to comply with requirements that did not exist at the time of the election. Republicans are trying to change the rules because they lost the game.

The voters chose Justice Allison Riggs at the ballot box. They won't stand by as politicians abuse the court system to try to take their voice away by overturning the results of an election. It's especially shameful to see the Court support Griffin's attack on overseas military voters serving our country - who voted in the same manner that Griffin himself did.

Thank you to Judge Tobias Hampson who dissented by acknowledging that Griffin "has yet to identify a single voter—among the tens of thousands Petitioner challenges in this appeal—who was, in fact, ineligible to vote in the 2024 General Election under the statutes, rules, and regulations in place in November 2024 governing that election."

Let me be clear to any voter who is on the list: you did nothing wrong. You participated in a sacred practice in our democracy and I am so sorry, no matter which party you're a part of, that Republicans are trying to silence your voice."

Today, a Republican majority on the North Carolina Court of Appeals handed down a decision that threatens not just one election—but the integrity of our entire democratic system.

In a 2–1 ruling, the court sided with failed Republican Supreme Court candidate Jefferson Griffin, who lost his election to Justice Allison Riggs by 734 votes. Rather than concede, Griffin—backed by the North Carolina Republican Party and the RNC—filed a sweeping legal challenge attempting to discard tens of thousands of ballots using a fringe and untested legal theory.

Here's what happened:

After losing, Griffin compiled a **list of over 65,000** voters and claimed they were ineligible—based on flawed data matches involving driver's license records, Social Security numbers, and address changes. Many of the voters on this so-called “Griffin List” had already verified their eligibility, voted legally, and had their ballots counted.

The Wake County Superior Court saw through this scheme and rejected it. **But today, the Court of Appeals reversed that decision.**

Two Republican judges ruled that the over **65,000** voters whose ballots were already counted must now re-prove their eligibility—**five months after the election**—or risk having their votes thrown out. These judges claimed they had the authority to invalidate the ballots entirely, and they left the door wide open for doing so.

This is unprecedented. North Carolina law requires challenges to voter eligibility to be filed *before* Election Day—when the voter can still respond and correct any issue. Griffin didn't do that. He waited until after he lost, then demanded the court change the rules and disqualify tens of thousands of votes.

With today's ruling, two Republican judges just gave him a path forward.

Justice Riggs has announced her intent appeal to the North Carolina Supreme Court, and we'll be backing her every step of the way. But, because she has recused herself, the court will be down to six justices—five Republicans and *one Democrat*. A 3-3 deadlock would leave this dangerous ruling intact.

This is a test case for the right-wing playbook: if you can't win the election, challenge the voters. Manufacture a list. Create confusion. Let partisan courts do the rest.

We will not allow this to become the new normal.

The North Carolina Democratic Party is standing squarely behind Justice Riggs—and behind every single voter whose rights are under attack. We will continue fighting in court, in the legislature, and in every community across the state to defend our democracy.

SIGN UP TO TAKE ACTION

We're building a team of volunteers ready to take action in response to Jefferson Griffin. If you're angry, confused, or just want to help—we **need your help**.

Thank you for being in this fight with us,
North Carolina Democratic Party

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Updates from NC Attorney General Jeff Jackson

[The People vs. Ticketmaster](#)

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Updates from State Senator Natalie Murdock (Highlights)

Black Maternal Health Day of Action 2025

Our 3rd annual Black Maternal Health Day of Action will be on **April 16th** this year! The plan is for the day to run from 9:30 am – 3 pm, but we will adjust our timeline as needed to fit the legislative schedule.

Black Maternal Health Day of Action will bring advocates, doctors, moms, and families to the NC General Assembly to meet with members, encouraging them to fund black maternal health programs and support legislation that will help to improve maternal and infant mortality outcomes.

To receive updates, please sign up for them here: bit.ly/42kMxts.

[Register Here](#) to participate in the event!

Didn't get a chance to join the info session and training? Watch the recorded sessions [here](#)

2025 Omnibus Package

I am committed to supporting the health and wellbeing of all North Carolina mothers, and I have sponsored a package of 3 bills to advance these purposes.

- 1. [SB 571: MOMnibus 3.0](#)

This bill establishes a maternal care access grant program, creates a department to establish an implicit bias training program for health care professionals engaged in perinatal care, appropriates funding to establish lactation consultant programs at HBCUs, creates a perinatal education grant program, and appropriates funds to a Momni-Bus initiative to expand access to maternal and infant health care. **(primary sponsor)**

- 2. [SB 608: Revise Various Laws/Work 1st Cash Assistance.](#)

This is a bill to "expand Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)/Work First Program assistance benefits to include a woman who is pregnant, increase the cash assistance benefit amount, increase resource and income limits for cash assistance, and remove time limitations on cash assistance other than those required by federal law." **(primary sponsor)**

- 3. [SB 661: Protect Moms Who Serve.](#)

This is a bill "directing the Department of Health and Human Services, in consultation with the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, to study health issues affecting women who serve in the military and appropriating funds for this purpose".

Legislative Updates

Bill Action Snapshot 04/03:

Passed 3rd Reading:

- SB 321: Accounting Workforce Development Act.
- SB 307: Info. Rights of Estate/Death of LLC Member.
- SB 254: Establish Offense for Poss. of Explosive.
- SB 124: Reduce Barriers to State Employment.
- SB 101: Protect Certain Tax-Advantaged Accounts.

Adopted:

- SR 260: Confirm Dr. Devdutta Sangvai/DHHS.
- SR 224: Gabriel Esparza/Secretary of DOA.

Don't see the bill you're looking for? [Search for it here!](#)

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Links to Events, Trainings, and Actions by Affiliate Organizations

[ACLU of North Carolina](#)

[Chatham Voices for Justice](#)

[Common Cause North Carolina](#) and [Common Cause](#)

[Community Organizing for Racial Equity \(CORE\)](#)

[County-to-County; Volunteer Opportunities, Events, and Petitions Near Me](#)

[Democracy North Carolina](#)

[Democracy Out Loud](#)

[Indivisible](#)

[MegaphoneNC](#)

[NC Counts Coalition](#)

[Neighbors on Call; Upcoming Events, Canvasses, NC Policy Update.](#)

[New North Carolina Project](#)

[North Carolina Poor Peoples Campaign](#)

[Poder NC](#)

[Red, Wine, and Blue; <https://redwine.blue/events/>](#)

[Swing Left Durham/Chapel Hill/Chatham](#)

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Selected News and Opinion Stories

North Carolina

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ABC13: [North Carolina Attorney General Sues Federal Government Over \\$230M in Health Funding Cuts](#)

Cardinal & Pine: [Teachers Worry Over New Bill Banning DEI in NC Public Schools](#)

Cardinal & Pine: ['Veterans Are Going To Die': Hundreds Protest Elon Musk's DOGE Cuts in Raleigh](#)

Carolina Public Press: [Challenged NC Voters Get 15 Days To Prove They're Legit, Appellate Panel Says](#)

Carolina Public Press: [Asheville's Jobless Rate – North Carolina's Highest – Is 'New and Unwelcome Territory'](#)

Carolina Public Press: [Risky Business? Slate of NC Gun Bills Condemned By Some, Celebrated By Others.](#)

Chapelboro: [North Carolina Government Makes Big Tax Revenues Quickly from First Year of Sports Betting](#)

Chapelboro: [Chatham County Responds, Asks for Dismissal of Summit Church Lawsuit Alleging Religious Discrimination](#)

Chop Wood, Carry North Carolina: [4/3](#)

Cityview: [PFAS Found in Dust of Homes Near Fayetteville Chemical Plant](#)

Huffington Post: [GOP Senator Warns Donald Trump That Tariffs Could Push His State's Farmers To the Brink](#)

NC Health News: [Legislative Battle Continues Over How To Address Health Care Costs in North Carolina](#)

NC Health News: [With Medicaid in Washington's Crosshairs, North Carolinians Rally Against Federal Cuts](#)

NC Newslines: [Western NC Went Offline During Helene. Can the State Stay Connected in Future Disasters?](#)

NC Newslines: [With 'Liberation Day' Upon Us, How Will Trump's Latest Tariff Plan Impact NC's Economy?](#)

NC Newslines: [Proposed Pipeline Project Would Harm North Carolina Communities, Report Shows](#)

The Assembly NC: [A Charlotte Regulator Gets DOGE'd](#)

The Assembly NC: [A Bill To Bench the State's Top Cop](#)

The Assembly NC: [How Low Can You Go? N.C. Colleges Try Free-Tuition Programs](#)

The Assembly NC: [eCourts' Continuing Legal Mess](#)

WHQR: [New Hanover Republican is New NC Senate Majority Leader](#)

WHQR: [NC's Version of DOGE Advances in State Senate, Worrying State Workers Association](#)

WRAL: [NC Teacher Turnover is Down, But the Profession Has Changed, New Data Shows](#)

WRAL: [NC Senate Leader Seeks To Ban DEI in Colleges, Limit Campus Bias Investigations](#)

WUNC: [Most of NC's Initial \\$1 Billion Helene Recovery Funding Went Unspent for Months](#)

WUNC: [Latest Federal Education Cuts Would Affect NC's Poorest Schools](#)

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America, America: [The Demolition of a Welcoming World](#)

American Freakshow: [I Dream of Greenland](#)

Associated Press: [Protestors Tee Off Against Trump and Musk in 'Hands Off!' Rallies Across the US](#)

Associated Press: [About 500 Law Firms Sign Brief Challenging Trump's Executive Orders Targeting the Legal Community](#)

Associated Press: [Senate GOP Approves Framework for Trump's Tax Breaks and Spending Cuts After Late-Night Session](#)

Associated Press: [China Slaps a 34% Tax on All US Imports in Retaliation for Trump's Tariffs](#)

Axios: [Scoop: Multiple Firings on Trump's National Security Council After Loomer Visit](#)

Chaotic Era: [Democrats Had a Great Night. It Doesn't Solve Their Biggest Problem.](#)

Civil Discourse: (1) [Why We Have Due Process](#), (2) [The Insurrection Act](#)

CNN: [This is the Dubious Way Trump Calculated His 'Reciprocal' Tariffs](#)

CNN: ['The Policy May Very Well Fail': JD Vance Doubted Trump's First-Term Policies, Previously Bashed Tariffs](#)

Fortune: ['Fake News': Tesla's Elon Musk Dashes Investor Hopes He May Finally Be Leaving Politics, Insisting He's Not Going Anywhere](#)

Heather Cox Richardson – Letters From An American: (1) [March 30](#), (2) [March 31](#), (3) [April 1](#), (4) [April 2](#), (5) [April 4](#)

Hopium Chronicles: (1) [Making Calls for Susan Crawford, Trump’s Madness and Buffoonery Has Become Impossible To Ignore, Booker Goes All Night for America](#), (2) [My Conversation With Rep. Don Beyer \(D-VA\) On Doing More To Counter Musk’s Illegal and Unconstitutional Assault On the Government of the United States](#), (3) [We Win Wisconsin!!! Cory Booker Inspires Us All. We Had a Good Day Everyone.](#), (4) [Dems Finding a Higher Gear, Susan Crawford!!!!!!](#), [Trump is Weak Not Strong, Senator Booker Inspires America and the World](#), (5) [“Trump Declares War On the World” – My Conversation With Economist Rob Shapiro](#), (6) [Call/Contact Your Senators and House Member Today, Demand They Fight To End These Terrible Tariffs, Help Little Cracks Become Big Cracks](#), (7) [John “Bowser” Bouman Joins Us To Talk About the Trump-Musk Attack on Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid](#), (8) [Good Luck Today Everyone, A Letter To America, Pressuring Congress To Stop the Russian-Backed Wrecking Ball](#), (9) [The Power of the People Is Greater Than the People in Power](#)

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New Scientist: [NASA Cut \\$420 Million for Climate Science, Moon Modelling and More](#)

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NY Times – The Morning: (1) [Cutting Off NPR and PBS](#), (2) ['Liberation Day'](#), (3) [The Trade War Begins](#), (4) [Europe's Paradox](#)

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Politico: [Trump Will Ask Congress To Rubber-Stamp His Funding Cuts, a Top OMB Official Says](#)

Politico: [Federal Judge Says She Will Temporarily Block Billions in Health Funding Cuts to States](#)

Politico: [The Great Grovel: How Trump Forced Elite Institutions To Bend To His Will](#)

Politico: [The Trump Admin Cut Election Security Funds. Now Officials Fear Future Elections May Be 'Less Secure.'](#)

Politico: [Thousands Laid Off As Kennedy and Musk Take Aim at Health Agencies](#)

Politico: [Trump Tells Inner Circle That Musk Will Leave Soon](#)

Politico: [Senate Republicans Buck Trump, Join Dems in Rejecting Canada Tariffs](#)

Politico: [Trump's Second Term Honeymoon May Be Over](#)

Politico: ['We Just Haven't Seen Anything Like This': Farmers Brace for Trump's Trade War](#)

Politico: [Maryland Man Illegally Deported to El Salvador Must Be Returned to US, Judge Rules](#)

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