

Civility Localized Newsletter (formerly Amplify Charlotte Newsletter)



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#EngageDifferent

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Hi Friend,

At Civility Localized we believe strongly in both civic engagement and grassroots organizing. It has always been our mission to empower local communities to grow and evolve with dignity.

Voting at local and state levels has always been important, but in light of last week's Supreme Court decisions, it becomes even more critical as basic rights are remanded to individual states. Please share this newsletter and our social channels widely so that we can keep even more people informed on how to activate and engage as voting dates approach (General Elections are scheduled for July 26th in Charlotte, NC), and as we work together to let our voices be heard.

In hope and service,
Elizabeth Flemister (she/her/hers)
Content Specialist

“ACTIVISM IS THE RENT I PAY FOR LIVING ON THE PLANET.” — Alice Walker

Thank You for Joining us for our #CivilityWednesdays Conversation Series!

We closed out this four-week conversation series on June 22nd, with Christine Edwards demonstrating how to use Community Mapping to activate engagement with equity in mind. As promised, here is your copy of the **Community Mapping Guide** featured in that broadcast.

Are you on LinkedIn? We are growing our community and presence there. We'd love for you to [Follow us!](#)



#CIVILITY WEDNESDAYS





Watch #CivilityWednesdays Replays Here

Community Mapping Guide

When building partnerships in the community,
we must first understand the community.

Here are 5 questions to ask when planning community engagement:

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| 1 | What is the area that you are interested in engaging? | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Define the footprint of the area that to engage. • List the boundary |
| 2 | Who lives in the community that you are interested in engaging? | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gather demographic data • Develop stakeholder contact lists |
| 3 | What resources already exist? | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify resource gaps that may exist in the community |
| 4 | What are some of the unique characteristics of the community? | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduce participation barriers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Language ◦ Transportation ◦ Childcare |
| 5 | What is the goal of the community engagement?
How do you know this is a shared community goal? | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Define level of awareness and involvement • Make sure the solution is needed and desired by the community |

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Download the Community Mapping Guide



Personal Activism at Civility Localized

Our Core Company Values Include Autonomy

You already know seven core [company values](#) power everything we do at Civility Localized. One of those values is Autonomy, and last week the U.S. Supreme Court remanded one aspect of bodily autonomy to the states by overturning [Roe v Wade](#). As a diverse team of women, we are coping individually, and processing collectively. Today we'd like to take a moment to spotlight the views of some of our team members related to the impact of this moment in history.

On Friday, June 24th, 2022, hundreds gathered in Charlotte to protest the U.S. Supreme Court's decision to overturn *Roe v. Wade*. Organized by the Black Abortion Defense League, the Charlotte protest began as a gathering where speakers like Congresswoman Alma Adams, Representative for the 12th District, gave remarks and calls to action. Later the rally turned into a march through the streets of uptown Charlotte. Civility Localized's own Khrystle Bullock was there and described the scene as "powerful".

"Now that it's up to states to determine abortion rights, there's all the more reason we all need to be civically engaged with local and state elections," said Khrystle Bullock. For Khrystle, it was important to march because "I am definitely pro-choice and I'm looking to answer the question of what it means to support Governor Cooper's stance on keeping abortion safe and accessible here in North Carolina."

Civility Localized Founder Christine Edwards had this to say in response to the supreme court decision: "Personally, I am fearful for the future of civil rights in America because of the impact this decision has on personal freedoms. Going forward I'm looking for ways to be a smart community advocate. I'm looking for abortion funds and grassroots organizations to support. We all need to use our voices as voters as well."

Our Content Specialist, Elizabeth Flemister, said "I'm looking for hope. And I'm looking for strength to fight back. I'm definitely grieving the loss of rights and what this means for the safety of child-bearing people, especially those with intersecting marginalized identities."

We are grateful for the work of activists and organizations willing to do the work needed to make our communities more vibrant and equitable. We are proud to support them and to engage in advocacy with them.

Click [here](#) if you want to support the [Carolina Abortion Fund](#). How are you responding to recent SCOTUS decisions?

Elections Slated in 15 North Carolina

Counties on July 26th

General Election for Charlotte Mayor & City Council

Did you know that in 2022, 15 counties in North Carolina will hold off-year elections? Visit [NC State Board of Elections](#) for more. Here's what's on the ballot in Charlotte, NC:

City of Charlotte
General Election
will be held
July 26, 2022.

Election day poll hours
6:30am to 7:30pm

Early Voting happens
July 7th - 23rd



On the Ballot July 26, 2022

Charlotte Mayor

Candidates:

Vi Alexander Lyles (Democrat)
Stephanie de Sarachaga-Bilbao (Republican)

City Council

At-Large Candidates:

Dimple Ajmera, Democrat
Kylie J. Luebke, Republican
David Merrill, Republican
James (Smuggie) Mitchell, Democrat
Charlie Mulligan, Republican
Carrie Olinski, Republican
LaWana Slack-Mayfield, Democrat
Braxton David Winston II, Democrat

Candidates by District:

District 1: Dante Anderson, Democrat
District 2: Mary Barnett, Republican
District 3: Victoria Watlington, Democrat
District 4: James H. Bowers, Republican
District 5: Renee Perkins Johnson, Democrat
District 6: Marjorie Molina, Democrat
District 7: Stephanie Hand, Democrat
District 8: Tariq Scott Bokhari, Republican
District 9: Ed Driggs, Republican

Client Updates



THURSDAY, JUNE 30
9 A.M. - 3 P.M.

 CITY of CHARLOTTE

Charlotte Department of Transportation

Summer Safety Fest

The City of Charlotte will host their first **Vision Zero Summer Safety Fest**

Thursday, June 30th

9 am - 3 pm

Location: **Gov Porch**

Learn about safety initiatives while enjoying music, games, trivia, and prizes!



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CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG GOVERNMENT CENTER'S GOV PORCH
600 E 4TH STREET, CHARLOTTE, NC 28202

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Thank you for reading and sharing widely.



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