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Hi everyone,

Happy October! From a new [Civic Health Spotlight](#) to an upcoming [webinar on H.R. 1](#) (a.k.a. the “Big, Brutal Bill”), we at Civic Health Alliance (CHA) have plenty of exciting news to share this month. So grab a mug of your favorite pumpkin-spiced beverage and keep reading!



Follow us on socials!

We're excited to announce the relaunch of CHA's social media accounts! This will be the easiest way (along with our newsletter) to stay up-to-date on our activities, advocacy, and resources. It's also a great way to support our work.



Follow us on our socials!

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Follow us if you aren't already and share our re-introduction posts on [Instagram](#), [LinkedIn](#), and [Bluesky](#) with your networks. Let's build a better democracy through community!

Speaking of important dates, now is the time to check your voter registration.

The **Nov. 4** election is less than two weeks away – and while all states cast their ballots on the same day, registration deadlines vary by state.



In **New York**, for example, the registration deadline is **10 days** before Election Day – but in **Pennsylvania**, it's **15 days** before Election Day.

Not sure of the deadline in your state? Visit <https://www.vote.org/voter-registration-deadlines> – or scan the QR code below to check your voter status, register/update your voter registration, and/or request an absentee/mail-in ballot.

**ARE YOU
REGISTERED TO VOTE?**
Act Now!
Register in **2 minutes**
SCAN the QR CODE with your phone

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ICYMI: The Voting Accessibility Act turns 40!

Here's one milestone you may have missed last month: on **Sept. 28, 2025**, the nation marked the **40th anniversary** of the **Voting Accessibility for the Elderly and Handicapped Act**.

Passed in 1984, this law required that every polling place in federal elections be accessible to older adults and people with disabilities – and if no accessible location was available, an alternative voting option had to be provided.



The Voting Accessibility for the Elderly and Handicapped Act required states to take certain steps to make the voting process accessible to people with disabilities.



This law was a crucial step towards making democracy more inclusive – especially for the 61 million Americans living with a disability, the largest minority group in the United States.

But the fight for equitable and accessible healthcare continues – so join our webinar on Nov. 6!

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STORYTELLERS FOR RESISTANCE: HEALTHCARE ADVOCACY POST H.R. 1

 **Thursday, November 6, 2025**
 **3 PM ET / 12 PM PT**

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Civic Health Alliance is a non-partisan coalition of health and civic leaders allied around one common cause: the advancement of America's health, through civic engagement in care settings and communities.



SPEAKER
Laura Packard
 Founder, Health Care Voices



SPEAKER
Layla Oghabian
 Legislative Advocate, Economic Security Project



SPEAKER
Mason Kortz, JD
 Clinical Instructor, Harvard Law School
 Cyberlaw Clinic



MODERATOR
Stella Safo, MD, MPH
 Co-Founder, Civic Health Alliance

Register now at:

<https://tinyurl.com/59y6y64f>



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Civic Health Spotlight: Panelist Laura Packard

One of our Nov. 6 panelists knows firsthand what's at stake when healthcare access hangs in the balance.

once saved her life.



Read Laura's incredible story here: <https://www.civichealthall.com/post/from-cancer-to-congress-laura-packard-s-fight-for-healthcare>

Do you have a civic health hero you'd like to nominate for an upcoming Spotlight? Let us know at info@civichealthalliance.org.

And finally, check out our RxVote postcard at the F.Y. Eye Voter Education PSA Clearinghouse!

We're proud to announce that our [RxVote](#) postcard was accepted into the [F.Y. Eye Voter Education PSA Clearinghouse](#) for 2025!

VOTER EDUCATION

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What's At Stake

2025 is a consequential election year for NYC. This November, key official positions (including Mayor of NYC), along with multiple ballot proposals on amendments to the NYC Charter will be on the ballot, and the outcome will deeply impact the future of our city.

Let's Get Out the Vote, NYC!

Help Us Reach NYC Voters

We are calling for PSA submissions in multiple languages that promote inclusivity, value-based voting, and diverse representation, with messages that speak directly to NYC's many communities. We seek to give organizations the tools and information they need to empower hard to reach voters and get them to the polls.

[Submission guidelines can be found here.](#)

Get Involved

We will accept new PSA submissions until the week of the Election.

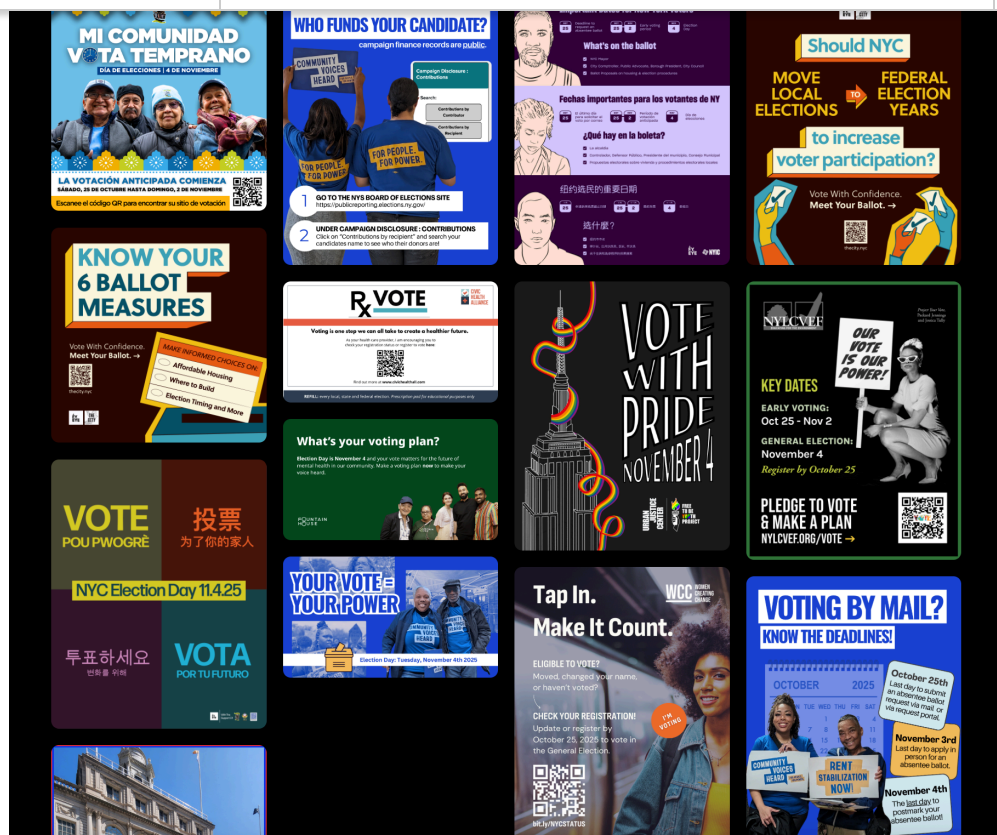
We encourage you to download and share any of these resources— please be sure to tag/credit the participating organization when sharing!

For media donations: please reach out to psanetwork@fyeye.org.

[Submit a PSA](#)

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Can you spot the CHA postcard in the gallery below?



Check out all the voter education PSAs at <https://www.fyeye.org/voting-clearinghouse-2025>.

That's all for now, friends. We'll see you in November!

In solidarity,

The CHA Team



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