

2022

ANNUAL REPORT

REV UP
VOTING
CAMPAIGN



WHAT IS REV UP?

The REV UP Voting Campaign is a national network of people and organizations working together to build the power of the disability vote.

There are over 38 million people with disabilities who can vote, but barriers throughout the voting process leads to a big turnout gap between voters with and without disabilities. To address this gap and make sure disabled voters have a say in our democracy, REV UP focuses on two nonpartisan strategies:



VOTER OUTREACH

Making sure disabled voters are registered and ready to vote.



VOTER ADVOCACY

Making sure disabled voters have access to the ballot.

THE REV UP TEAM

In 2022, REV UP worked with a team of interns, fellows, and a program coordinator who helped REV UP grow and expand our work this year.



LILIAN ALURI

Civic Engagement
Manager



SARIT CAHANA

Fall 2022 REV UP
Intern



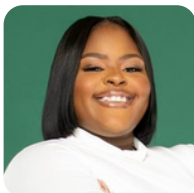
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Summer & Fall 2022
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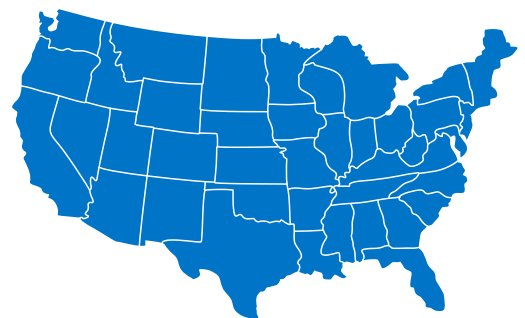


THE COALITIONS

The REV UP Voting Campaign has 19 active disability vote coalitions and partnering coalitions across the country, with coalitions developing in North Carolina, Idaho, Iowa, California, and beyond.

REV UP COALITIONS

- Access the Vote Florida
- Arizona Disability Vote Coalition (Partner Coalition)
- Colorado Cross-Disability Coalition (Partner Coalition)
- Missouri Disability Rights Coalition (Partner Coalition)
- REV UP Connecticut
- REV UP Georgia
- REV UP Washington Parish, Louisiana
- REV UP Maryland
- REV UP Massachusetts
- REV UP Minnesota
- REV UP New Jersey, Edison
- REV UP New Jersey, Newark
- REV UP Westchester, New York
- REV UP Pennsylvania
- REV UP Philly
- REV UP Tennessee
- REV UP Texas
- REV UP Virginia
- Wisconsin Disability Vote Coalition (Partner Coalition)



THE PARTNERS

In 2022, the REV UP Voting Campaign worked with hundreds of partner organizations in 44 states and the District of Columbia. Our partners include local, state, and national organizations in the disability advocacy and civil rights spaces.

In addition to our partner organizations, REV UP's financial supporters grew significantly in 2022. In the last few years REV UP grew from having no specific funding sources to receiving more than \$300,000 in dedicated funding in 2022. Our 2022 funders included:

- Anonymous Donor Fund
- Ford Foundation
- General Motors
- Grove Foundation
- NEO Philanthropy's State Infrastructure Fund
- Sunflower Foundation
- Walmart Foundation



general motors



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INFRASTRUCTURE
FUND



FORD
FOUNDATION



BUILDING CAPACITY

The REV UP team supports the national REV UP network through panels, trainings, grants, and more. Throughout the year REV UP organizers also support and learn from each other.

DISABILITY VOTE SUMMIT

June 29–30, we co-hosted a virtual conference focused on addressing voting barriers with the National Disability Rights Network and the National Association of Councils on Developmental Disabilities.

This event included dozens of speakers and reached over 700 attendees.



TRAININGS AND WEBINARS

Throughout 2022, REV UP hosted fifteen trainings and webinars for the network on voter registration, digital organizing, and more.

REV UP GRANTS

REV UP distributed \$225,000 in small grants to grassroots partner organizations in 28 states.



FANNIE LOU HAMER LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

We hosted the second Fannie Lou Hamer Leadership (FLH) Program, led by Lawrielle West of L. West and Co. This summer, five young Black disabled advocates participated in interactive political educations on civic engagement and the Black disability community. The 2022 program focused specifically on disability justice and abolition as frameworks for change.

2022 PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS:



**DEREK
HEARD**



**MICHKEAL
L. CROSS**



**JANIAH J.
MILLER**



**SEAN
GOLD**



**SHANNON
STUBBLEFIELD**

Words from a Participant: "In a world that is overwhelmingly ableist and racist, and in an ongoing pandemic, the Fannie Lou Hamer Leadership Program cares about building capacity among the Black disabled community. I wish more programs existed like this."

DISABILITY VOTING RIGHTS WEEK

Every year, REV UP hosts Disability Voting Rights Week to celebrate and advocate for our voting rights. In 2022, over 300 partner organizations and coalitions were a part of Disability Voting Rights Week. From September 13 to 17, our partners hosted more than 40 events across the country, registering voters, engaging local election officials, and more.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Many REV UP coalitions and partners received proclamations from local officials for Disability Voting Rights Week, September 13–17.



TUMBLR & CIVIC NATION COLLABORATION

During Disability Voting Rights Week, Civic Nation and Tumblr invited REV UP to participate in an Issue Time focused on engaging disabled voters. This Issue Time was featured on Tumblr's home page and expanded the reach of our messages.



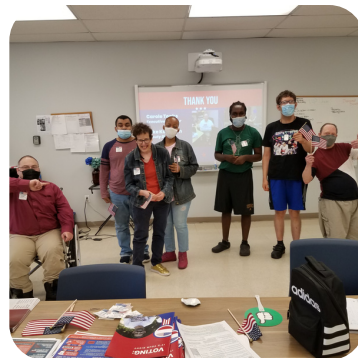
GETTING OUT THE DISABILITY VOTE

Getting out the disability vote is a year-round mission. Disabled voters are two times more likely to have difficulties voting, so members of the REV UP Network do much more than voter registration. REV UP partners and coalitions use many different strategies to make sure disabled voters are registered and ready to vote and have access to the ballot.

RIDES TO THE POLLS

In the general and runoff elections in Georgia, REV UP supported ADAPT organizers who arranged over 750 free and accessible rides to the polls for disabled voters.

131,000+
voters reached



REV UP NEW JERSEY

In addition to hosting several voting trainings for disabled voters in the community, REV UP New Jersey partners hosted an all-day rally on the steps of the state senate. State and local disability and civic engagement organizations participated, as well as members and staff of New Jersey state legislature.

PLANNING FOR 2023

In 2023, we are preparing for local and state elections this year and a major presidential election in 2024.

We surveyed the REV UP network at the end of 2022, and here's what they wanted us to focus on the most:

- Addressing Voting Access Barriers
- Inclusion of Disability in Campaigns and Debates
- Voter Registration
- More Disabled Candidates

In addition to these goals, we are working on a few special projects in 2023, including hosting our first-ever national REV UP virtual conference and collaborating to create a national plan for local election accessibility monitoring.

We hope you will join us in this work!



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2022 BY THE NUMBERS

750+ Free, Accessible Rides to the Polls
in Georgia

\$225,000 In Small Grants Distributed