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Oficialismo chileno sufre un revés en las elecciones municipales, aunque menor a lo anticipado

PATRICIA LUNA Associated Press

SANTIAGO, Oct 28, 2024 (AP) — El oficialismo chileno sufrió un revés en las elecciones municipales para elegir a alcaldes, gobernadores regionales, concejales y consejeros regionales, después de perder las alcaldías de Santiago y Nuñoa, así como entre 30 y 40 municipalidades, según los resultados preliminares, los cuales —a pesar de todo— dejaron “contento” al presidente Gabriel Boric.

Con el 96% de los votos escrutados en las elecciones para las gubernaturas regionales, y el 83% en las municipales, la coalición izquierdista Por Chile y la Alianza Centroizquierdista Contigo Chile Mejor registraban una caída en el número de gobernadores regionales, perdiendo entre 30 y 40 de las 345 municipalidades en las que se llevaron a cabo comicios.

Destaca el revés de la alcaldesa de Santiago, la comunista Irací Hassler, por más de 20 puntos de diferencia frente al candidato de centroderecha Mario Desbordes. La fuerza política que se ha

impuesto en Santiago ha ganado las presidenciales en las últimas cuatro elecciones, por lo que en el país se considera como un importante indicador.

El oficialismo también perdió la alcaldía de Nuñoa, considerada un reducto del progresismo, en una muy reñida contienda entre el candidato centroderechista Sebastián Sichel y la alcaldesa actual Emilia Ríos.

El Frente Amplio mantuvo algunas victorias significativas y contundentes como la alcaldía de Maipú, donde Tomás Vodanovic fue reelegido con el 70% de los votos, o la de la alcaldesa de Viña del Mar, Macarena Ripamonti. Camila Nieto también se imponía en Valparaíso, un triunfo para el oficialismo.

En total, el oficialismo retenía 110 alcaldías frente a las 123 de la oposición y 104 quedarían en manos de candidatos independientes. La coalición de derecha y centroderecha Chile Vamos pasó del 21% al 38% de los votos respecto a la anterior elección.

“Quiero destacar la fuerza y la unidad del oficialismo y el progresismo en esta

elección, que ha dejado importantes triunfos en diversas comunas y regiones del país”, afirmó Boric desde La Moneda. Estas elecciones “tienen de dulce y agrio para todos los sectores, no hay ninguno que pueda atribuirse triunfos arrolladores”.

“No es una debacle” como se predecía, pero no son buenos resultados, valoró el diputado oficialista Gonzalo Winter en declaraciones al canal CNN Chile. “El resultado de esta elección nos compele a que aquí tiene que haber acuerdos”.

La participación con voto obligatorio fue de más de un 81% del patrón convocado de más de 15,4 millones de electores, según los resultados preliminares. “Una gran noticia para la democracia”, afirmó Boric.

Boric valoró el buen funcionamiento y rapidez del Servicio Electoral (Servel) chileno. “No hay duda de la legitimidad de los resultados”, reforzó. “La limpieza y transparencia de los resultados son un patrimonio que no podemos perder”.

Oradores en evento de Trump en el Madison Square Garden profieren insultos racistas

Por JILL COLVIN y MICHELLE L. PRICE Associated Press

NUEVA YORK, Oct 27, 2024 (AP) — Donald Trump efectuó un mitin el domingo en el que se profirieron insultos vulgares y racistas en el Madison Square Garden de Nueva York, lo cual convirtió un evento en el que según su equipo de campaña el expresidente daría su mensaje final en un ejemplo de lo que disgusta a sus detractores.

Cuando queda poco más de una semana antes de la jornada electoral, algunos de los oradores calificaron a Puerto Rico de “isla de basura flotante”, llamaron “el diablo” a la vicepresidenta Kamala Harris, y señalaron que la demócrata —quien busca convertirse en la primera mujer y en la primera mujer de raza negra en llegar a la presidencia— había iniciado su carrera siendo prostituta.

“No sé si ustedes sepan esto, pero literalmente hay una isla de basura flotante en medio del océano en este momento. Creo que la llaman Puerto Rico”, dijo Tony Hinchcliffe, un comediante cuyo acto también incluyó comentarios lascivos y racistas sobre los latinos, judíos y negros, todos ellos grupos de electores clave.

La broma no tardó en recibir críticas del equipo de campaña de Harris, quien compite con Trump por los votos de las comunistas puertorriqueñas en Pensilvania y en otros estados sin clara preferencia política. El renombrado cantante puertorriqueño Bad Bunny le otorgó su apoyo a Harris poco antes del acto de Hinchcliffe.

El equipo de campaña de Trump, usualmente combativo, tomó la inusual medida de distanciarse de Hinchcliffe. “Esta broma no refleja las posturas del presidente Donald Trump ni de su campaña”, declaró la asesora Danielle Alvarez en un comunicado.

Pero otros oradores también realizaron comentarios incendiarios. David Rem, un amigo de la infancia de Trump, se refirió a Harris como “el anticristo” y “el diablo”. El empresario Grant Cardone le dijo a la multitud que Harris y sus “proxenetas destruirán a nuestro país”.

El evento fue reflejo del tono que ha utilizado el expresidente a lo largo de su tercera campaña rumbo a la Casa Blanca. Aunque el domingo se abstuvo de hacerlo, Trump a menudo se refiere a Harris en términos ofensivos y

personales, poniendo en tela de juicio en las últimas semanas la estabilidad mental y la inteligencia de la candidata demócrata, además de llamarla “holgazana”, un calificativo racista que se ha usado de forma habitual desde hace tiempo en contra de las personas de raza negra.

El evento fue un espectáculo surrealista que incluyó la presencia del exluchador profesional Hulk Hogan, el doctor Phil McGraw, psicólogo de televisión; el exconductor de Fox News Tucker Carlson, algunos políticos —entre ellos el presidente de la Cámara de Representantes, Mike Johnson—, y los representantes Byron Donalds y Elise Stefanik, así como una persona que pintó un retrato de Trump abrazando al edificio Empire State.

Y todo esto antes de que Trump subiera al escenario, luego de presentarse más de dos horas después de lo previsto.

Después de ser presentado por su esposa, Melania Trump, en una inusual aparición pública de ella, el expresidente inició formulando las mismas preguntas con las que ha iniciado todos sus mítines recientes: “¿Están mejor que hace cuatro años?”. La multitud respondió con un rotundo “¡No!”.

“Esta elección es una decisión sobre si tendremos cuatro años más de burda incompetencia y fracaso, o si comenzaremos los mejores años en la historia de nuestro país”, subrayó.

El expresidente sumó el domingo una nueva propuesta a su lista de recortes fiscales con el objetivo de obtener el voto de los adultos de edad avanzada y de la clase obrera. La lista de propuestas ya incluye compromisos de poner fin a los impuestos sobre prestaciones del Seguro Social, propinas y pago de tiempo extra. Trump propuso sumarle un crédito fiscal para los proveedores de cuidados familiares.

Harris ha hablado de una “generación sandwich” de adultos que cuidan a sus padres ancianos y que, al mismo tiempo, tienen que criar a sus propios hijos. Harris ha propuesto inyectar fondos federales para cubrir costos de atención residencial a los ancianos de Estados Unidos.

Por otro lado, el republicano repitió sus conocidas posturas en lo

referente a política exterior e inmigración, entre las que se incluye imponer la pena capital a cualquier migrante que asesine a un ciudadano estadounidense, asegurando que el día en que asuma el cargo será el día en que “llegue a su fin la invasión de migrantes a nuestro país”.

Algunos de los presentes comenzaron a salir del recinto más o menos cuando el discurso de Trump se aproximaba a la hora de duración.


El magnate de la industria tecnológica Elon Musk, quien pronunció un breve discurso previamente y presentó a Melania Trump, fue parte destacada del mensaje de cierre de campaña de Trump. El expresidente llamó a Musk “un genio” y una persona “especial”.

Musk aplaudió el plan que Trump anunció recientemente para permitirle encabezar una comisión de eficiencia gubernamental que auditaría a todo el gobierno federal. Varios de los negocios de Musk, incluidos Tesla y SpaceX, tienen importantes contratos con el gobierno o han dependido de subsidios federales, y Musk ha sido objeto de críticas después de que han salido a relucir reportes de que ha sostenido conversaciones privadas con el presidente ruso Vladimir Putin.

“El dinero de ustedes está siendo desperdiciado y eso es algo que el departamento de eficiencia gubernamental va a arreglar”, declaró Trump antes de tomar su lugar fuera del escenario a un lado de Melania Trump.

Muchos de los oradores del domingo también subieron al escenario de la Convención Nacional Republicana. En esta ocasión, esos mismos oradores fueron más elocuentes en sus críticas hacia los demócratas.

Hogan, quien volvió al escenario en donde brilló hace varios años como luchador profesional, pareció representar nuevamente a su personaje, apareciendo con una enorme boa de plumas de color rojo, anaranjado y amarillo y agitando violentamente una bandera de Estados Unidos mientras bailaba y hacía algunas poses. Durante su discurso escupió sobre el escenario, mostró sus músculos y en repetidas ocasiones le dijo al público: “Trump es el único hombre que puede arreglar a este país hoy”.



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'Take our lives seriously,' Michelle Obama pleads, rallies for Kamala Harris in Michigan

By DARLENE SUPERVILLE, AAMER MADHANI and CHRIS MEGERIAN Associated Press

KALAMAZOO, Mich., Oct 26, 2024 (AP) — Michelle Obama challenged men to support Kamala Harris ' bid to be America's first female president, warning at a rally in Michigan on Saturday that women's lives would be at risk if Donald Trump returned to the White House.

The former first lady described the assault on abortion rights as the harbinger of dangerous limitations on healthcare for women. Some men may be tempted to vote for Trump because of their anger at the slow pace of progress, Obama said, but "your rage does not exist in a vacuum."

"If we don't get this election right, your wife, your daughter, your mother, we as women will become collateral damage to your rage," Obama said. "So are you as men prepared to look into the eyes of the women and children you love and tell them you supported this assault on our safety?"

The rally in Kalamazoo was Obama's first appearance on the campaign trail since she spoke at the Democratic National Convention over the summer, and her remarks were searing and passionate in their support of Harris.

"By every measure, she has demonstrated that she's ready," the former first lady said. "The real question is, as a country, are we ready for this moment?"

Obama added, "Do not buy into the lies that we do not know who Kamala is or what she stands for. This is somebody who understands you, all of you."

Although Obama has been a reluctant campaigner over the years, she showed no hesitation on Saturday as her speech stretched from the political to the personal. Obama said she fears for the country and struggles to understand why the presidential race remains close.

"I lay awake at night wondering, 'What in the world is going on?'" she said.

Her voice vibrating with emotion, Obama talked about the struggle for women to understand and care for their own bodies, whether it's their menstrual cycles or menopause. And she spoke about the dangers of childbirth, when a split-second decision can

mean the difference between life and death for a mother and her baby.

"I am asking y'all from the core of my being to take our lives seriously," Obama pleaded.

Harris took the stage after Obama and promised the crowd that she would keep their interests in mind — unlike Trump, who she accused of only being interested in himself.

"There is a yearning in our country for a president who sees the people, not just looking in the mirror all the time, but sees the people, who gets you and who will fight for you," she said.

After the rally, Harris went to Trak Houz Bar & Grill with Michigan Gov. Gretchen Whitmer, where they drank a locally brewed beer.

"I want to have whatever she's having," Harris said.

The politicians chatted and took photos with people at the bar. When they approached a table of young women, one of them burst into tears.

Before arriving in Kalamazoo, Harris visited a local doctor's office in Portage to talk with health care providers and medical students about the impact of abortion restrictions. One of them said they have patients visiting from other parts of the country where there are strict limitations on abortion, and another said she's worried that people won't want to practice in important areas of medicine because of fears about government intrusion.

"We are looking at a health care crisis in America that is affecting people of every background and gender," Harris told reporters before visiting the doctor's office.

Harris appeared with Beyoncé on Friday in Houston, and she campaigned with former President Barack Obama and Bruce Springsteen on Thursday in Atlanta.

It's a level of celebrity clout that surpasses anything that Trump, the Republican nominee, has been able to marshal this year. But there's no guarantee that will help Harris in the close race for the White House. In 2016, Hillary Clinton lost to Trump despite firing up her crowds with musical performances and Demo-

cratic allies.

Trump brushed off Harris' attempt to harness star power for her campaign.

"Kamala is at a dance party with Beyoncé," the former president said Friday in Traverse City, Michigan. Trump held a rally in Novi, a suburb of Detroit, on Saturday before a later event in State College, Pennsylvania.

Saturday is the first day that early in-person voting became available across Michigan. More than 1.4 million ballots have already been submitted, representing 20% of registered voters.

When Clinton was running against Trump, Michelle Obama inspired Democrats with the slogan "when they go low, we go high."

But this year, at the Democratic National Convention in Chicago, she adopted a more biting approach. She accused Trump of "doubling down on ugly, misogynistic, racist lies as a substitute for real ideas and solutions that will actually make people's lives better."

While Harris was with Obama in Michigan, President Joe Biden visited the Laborers' International Union of North America in Pittsburgh. He mentioned that Harris once walked a picket line with the United Auto Workers — "she has a backbone like a ramrod" — while Trump has undermined organized labor.

"He views unions as getting in the way of the accumulation of wealth for individuals," Biden said. "It's in labor's interest to defeat Donald Trump, more than any other race you've been in."

Biden's remarks to the mostly male audience referenced the gender divide that has been a consistent feature of this year's presidential race.

Speaking on Trump, Biden said, "I'm just gonna say straight up, he's a loser as a man."

He also said that women deserve more opportunities than they've received in the past.

"They can do anything any man can do, including be president of the United States of America," Biden said.

Madhani reported from Pittsburgh and Megerian reported from Washington.

Eminem expresa apoyo a Harris en evento junto a Barack Obama

Por JOEY CAPPELLETTI Associated Press

DETROIT, Oct 22, 2024 (AP) — El rapero Eminem ingresó a la arena política el martes en su ciudad natal de Detroit, en donde pronunció un breve discurso en un evento a favor de la campaña presidencial de la vicepresidenta Kamala Harris, para luego dar la bienvenida al escenario al expresidente Barack Obama.

"Como muchos de ustedes saben, la ciudad de Detroit y todo el estado de Michigan significan mucho para mí. Y rumbo a estas elecciones, los reflectores están sobre nosotros como nunca antes", dijo Eminem, un añejo crítico del expresidente Donald Trump. "Y pienso que es importante usar nuestra voz. Así que les pido a todos ustedes que salgan a votar".

Añadió que las personas no deberían tener miedo a las represalias por expresar su opinión, y señaló que Harris "apoya un futuro para este país en

donde se protegerán estas y muchas otras libertades".

El rapero presentó a Obama, quien subió al escenario mientras se escuchaba la canción "Lose Yourself" de Eminem. El expresidente bromeó que "me sudan las manos", una referencia a uno de los primeros versos del éxito del rapero, y prosiguió rapeando varias líneas más.

La aparición de Obama y Eminem se produce pocos días antes de que inicien las votaciones anticipadas en Michigan. Los demócratas tienen la esperanza de que el evento, plagado de estrellas como el exreceptor de los Lions de Detroit y miembro del Salón de la Fama Calvin Johnson, entusiasme a los votantes.

La participación electoral en Detroit, bastión demócrata desde hace tiempo, será crucial para determinar quién gana el estado en noviembre, cuando Michigan se convierta en una de pocas entidades sin clara preferencia política que determinarán el

resultado de la elección presidencial y el control del Senado. La demócrata Elissa Slotkin, quien se enfrenta al republicano Mike Rogers por una banca disponible en el Senado, se presentó en el evento al lado de Obama.

Obama señaló que Trump no es apto para el puesto y puso como ejemplo varios incidentes recientes, como el evento en el que Trump optó por realizar algo así como un concierto improvisado, en el que bailó al ritmo de varias canciones durante unos 40 minutos en lugar de responder a las preguntas de los votantes.

"Si tu abuelo estuviera actuando de esta forma, estarías preocupado", dijo Obama. "Esta es una persona que quiere poder absoluto. No necesitamos averiguar cómo se vería un Donald Trump más viejo y loco y sin contrapesos. Estados Unidos está listo para dar vuelta a la página".




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what they have chosen at Concordia. Both schools compete in the same NAIA conference, increasing students' familiarity.

While students facing program closure normally might struggle to transfer all credits to a program at a new institution, a teach-out agreement ensures a seamless transition. "We recognize that students will have to adjust to a new campus, meet new faculty, and make new friends. By reducing any worries academically and financially, Lourdes can let them focus on these other aspects of a new venture in their college journey. We would love to welcome students from Concordia and help them discover the welcoming nature of the Lourdes community. Our Sisters, faculty, staff, and current students embody the spirit of inclusivity and service to others, which will be evident on day one for their transition to cam-



pus," explains Stephen Lazowski, Lourdes' Vice President for Enrollment Management.

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Latin superstar Bad Bunny backs Harris for president after comedian's racist jokes at Trump event

By ADRIANA GOMEZ LICON Associated Press

Oct 27, 2024 (AP): Bad Bunny threw his support behind Vice President Kamala Harris on Sunday by sharing a video of the Democratic presidential nominee shortly after a comedian at Donald Trump's Madison Square Garden rally made crude jokes about Latinos and called Puerto Rico a "floating island of garbage," angering artists and some Hispanic Republicans.

Bad Bunny, whose official name is Benito Antonio Martínez Ocasio, is one of the most famous artists of the moment. His backing could be a boost for the Harris campaign as it tries to bolster its support with Latino voters, among whom Trump has been working to gain ground.

The video Bad Bunny shared with his 45 million Instagram followers shows Harris saying "there's so much at stake in this election for Puerto Rican voters and for Puerto Rico." A represen-

tative of the artist confirmed that Bad Bunny is supporting Harris.

Bad Bunny signaled his support moments after comedian Tony Hinchcliffe made the remarks on Puerto Rico. Later, Hinchcliffe said "these Latinos, they love making babies" and said they don't use the pull-out birth control method.

The comments on Puerto Rico were immediately criticized by Harris' campaign, but were also called out by Angel Cintron, the head of the GOP on the island, and Republican U.S. Rep. Maria Elvira Salazar, who represents parts of Miami and has participated in recent Trump events.

Salazar wrote: "Disgusted by @TonyHinchcliffe's racist comment calling Puerto Rico a 'floating island of garbage.' This rhetoric does not reflect GOP values. Puerto Rico sent 48,000+ soldiers to Vietnam, with over 345 Purple

Hearts awarded. This bravery deserves respect. Educate yourself!"

Trump campaign spokeswoman Danielle Alvarez in a statement said "this joke does not reflect the views of President Trump or the campaign."

Luis Fonsi, a Puerto Rican artist who sings the hit "Despacito," went on Instagram and wrote "going down this racist path ain't it."

"We are not OK with this constant hate," he wrote in a message shared on Instagram. "It's been abundantly clear that these people have no respect for us."

Ricky Martin, who had previously endorsed Harris, was also offended by the comment and said "that's what they think of us," on Instagram.

In showing support, Bad Bunny shared several times another part of the clip Harris made on Puerto Rico, saying "I will never forget what Donald

Trump did and what he did not do when Puerto Rico needed a caring and a competent leader."

The 30-year-old Puerto Rican reggaeton artist, who has popular songs such as "Dakiti" and "Titi Me Preguntó," has won three Grammy Awards. He was the most streamed artist on Spotify in 2020, 2021 and 2022, and was only surpassed by Taylor Swift in 2023. He was named Artist of the Year by Apple Music in 2022.

The Puerto Rican vote is sizable in Pennsylvania, which is arguably the hardest fought of the swing states in the 2024 election. Other Puerto Rican singers such as Jennifer Lopez and Marc Anthony had already expressed support for Harris. Trump has also attracted support from other popular stars from the island such as Anuel AA and Nicky Jam.

Bad Bunny has been vocal about criticizing Puerto Rico's electric sys-

tem, which was razed by Hurricane Maria. In a 2022 music video for his song "El Apagon," the artist called out the company Luma Energy, which handles transmission and distribution, for the constant power outages that plague the island.

One of his most recent songs, "Una Velita," is also a protest against the government response following Hurricane Maria in Puerto Rico in 2017.

A year after the storm, public health experts estimated that nearly 3,000 perished because of the effects of Hurricane Maria. But Trump, whose efforts to help the island territory recover have been persistently criticized, repeatedly questioned that number saying it rose "like magic."

His visit to the island after the hurricane elicited controversy such as when he tossed paper towels. His administration released \$13 billion in assistance years later, just weeks be-

fore the 2020 presidential election. And a federal government watchdog found that officials hampered an investigation into delays in aid delivery.

Bad Bunny also shared a part of the clip showing Harris saying that Trump "abandoned the island, tried to block aid after back-to-back devastating hurricanes and offered nothing more than paper towels and insults."

Harris visited a Puerto Rican restaurant in North Philadelphia earlier on Sunday and released her policy related to the island saying she wants to create a task force to attract investment to fix the electrical grid. And Trump is headed on Tuesday to Allentown, Pennsylvania, where more than half of its population is Hispanic and a majority of them from Puerto Rico.

In 2020, Bad Bunny allowed the Biden campaign to use one of his hits "Pero Ya No" in a TV ad.

If there are four sheep, two dogs, and one herds-men, how many feet are there?

Two.
Sheep have hooves.
Dogs have paws: only people have feet.

SPANISH IDIOMS

Spanish: *Ojos que no ven, corazón que no siente*
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Día de Los Muertos en Michigan

Día de los Muertos Reception

Matthaei Botanical Gardens Visitor Center

1800 N. Dixboro Rd.,
Ann Arbor, MI 48105
Sat, November 2, 2024,
1:30 - 3:30pm

Exhibición de altar en honor al Mes de Herencia Hispánica y Día de los Muertos, en presentación desde el 26 de octubre al 3 de noviembre. Con una recepción de celebración, abierta al público, el 2 de noviembre de las 13:30-15:30 hrs. Centro de visitantes del Jardín Botánico Matthaei. Gratis.

An altar in honor of Hispanic Heritage Month and Día de los Muertos will be on display from October 26 through November 3. A public reception will be held on Saturday, November 2nd from 1:30pm-3:30pm. Matthaei Botanical Gardens Visitor Center. Free.

<https://mbgna.umich.edu/event/dia-de-los-muertos-reception>

Lansing's 28th Día de Los Muertos celebration

Michigan History Center
702 W Kalamazoo St,
Friday, November 1 -
Sunday, November 3, 2024

Join *Casa de Rosado Galeria and Cultural Center*, central Michigan's only Hispanic center focused on the arts, at the Michigan History Center for Lansing's 28th Día de Los Muertos celebration. The event will run from 10am to 7pm on Friday November 1, 10am to 8pm Saturday November 2 and 11am to 5pm on Sunday November 3, 2024. Free & open to the public.

The three day celebration features elaborate memorials to loved ones that have passed built by community members, on Saturday Nov 2 @2pm a sugar skull decorating contest & a Catrin y Catrina sugar skull dress up contest for fun prizes!

On Saturday November 2 @3pm enjoy a Día de Los Muertos themed Folklorico

dance performance by Maria Luz Ballet Folklorico of Lansing with MC DJ Mingo.

The event will be held at the Michigan History Center located at 702 W Kalamazoo St, Lansing, Michigan 48915. For museum info call 517-333-2573 or visit www.michigan.gov/mhc/museums/mhm

Organized by Casa de Rosado Galeria and Cultural Center, 204 E Mt Hope Ave, Lansing MI, a 501(c)3 and community members like you! Sponsors include the our top level Legacy Sponsor, the City of Lansing and our Papel Picado level sponsors MSU Federal Credit Union & the State of Michigan Hispanic Latino Commission. For event info contact Casa de Rosado via cell or text at 517-402-0282.

Community ofrenda for day of the dead- Ofrenda comunitaria del día de muertos.

Adrian District Library
Saturday, November 2, 2024

The Community ofrenda for day of the dead will be hosted at the Adrian District Library (143 E. Maumee St., Adrian, MI) in partnership with LLEAD Adrian and Hospice of

Lenawee. Program and celebration will be on Saturday November 2nd at 10:00am. Traditional refreshments provided.

Ofrenda comunitaria del día de muertos con sede en Adrian District Library en colaboración con LLEAD Adrian y Hospice of Lenawee. El programa de celebración se llevara a cabo el sábado 2 de noviembre a las 10:00am. Se preverá de una ligera botana tradicional.

Day of the Dead Movie and Craft Celebration

Main | Detroit Public Library

5201 Woodward Avenue Detroit, MI 48202

Friday, November 1 - 3 - 5:30pm

Join us for a fun-filled Day of the Dead Movie and Craft Celebration, where we'll watch movies, make crafts, and honor our loved ones! Join us to celebrate family members who are no longer with us on this special Latin American holiday, Día de los Muertos. We will watch the movie, Coco and make a craft to take home. Children of all ages welcome.

Day of the Dead Celebration

Campbell | Detroit Public Library

8733 W Vernor Highway Detroit, MI 48209

Saturday, November 2, 2024

Welcome to the Día de los Muertos Celebration! Join us on Sat, Nov 2, 2024 at Campbell | Detroit Public Library for a day filled with vibrant colors and traditions to honor our loved ones who have passed. Enjoy activities such as sugar skull decorating kit for kids and a community ofrenda. Don't miss out on this unforgettable celebration!

Kits are first-come, first-serve basis.

Day of the Dead march

Clark Park

Porter Street Detroit, MI 48209

Friday, November 1, 2024

3:30 - 6:30pm EDT

¡Ven y únete a nuestra marcha del Día de los Muertos para celebrar y honrar a nuestros seres queridos fallecidos!

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loved ones affected by poor air quality caused by big industry (steel, etc), and push for political change.

Free activities include face painting, sugar skulls, altars, food, music, flower and balloon art, press conference and march.

Let's honor Southwest Detroit's culture and unite for cleaner air. www.sdevweb.org

Detroit Riverfront Día de los Muertos Celebration

Robert C. Valade Park

2670 Atwater, Detroit, MI

Saturday, Nov. 2, 2024 - 11:00am to 2:00pm

An event celebrating the cultural traditions of Día de los Muertos on the Detroit Riverfront.

Family-friendly event featuring food, live music, ballet folklórico, shop vendors, children's activities and more!

View community ofrenda honoring and remembering all those we have lost. Participate by leaving a name or message for a loved one.

Free Admission!

11:00 - Noon Children's Storytelling

11:00 - 3:00 Food Truck/Shop Vendors/Arts & Crafts

Noon - 1:00 Dance Performance by Ballet Folklórico Moyocoyani Izel

1:00 - 2:00 Live Music by Luna

www.detroitriverfront.org/2024DayoftheDead

Ofrendas: Celebrating el Día de Muertos 2024

Detroit Institute of Arts

5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit, MI 48202

Now through November 3, 2024

In celebration of Día de Muertos, the Detroit Institute of Arts, in partnership with Detroit's Mexican Consulate, the Southwest Detroit Business Association and

Mexicantown CDC, invite you to explore a community exhibition of ofrenda altars. In Mexico, and other Latin American countries, the Day of the Dead is the time of the year to celebrate the lives of close relatives, friends or community members who have passed away.

Objects important to lost loved ones, such as favorite foods, drinks, mementos and pictures, are collected and incorporated into elaborate displays that include pan de muerto (bread of the dead), sugar skulls, candles, flowers, papel picado (paper cut-outs) and other decorations.

Free with general admission

*** Drop in Workshop: Sugar Skulls in DIA's Art-Making Studio.**

Learn how sugar skulls are used for Day of the Dead celebrations in Mexican and Mexican American communities while you decorate one of your own. Workshop is free with museum admission but capacity is limited. Details available online at <https://dia.org/events/drop-workshop-sugar-skulls-2>

Descripción de la exposición

En celebración del Día de Muertos, el Instituto de Artes de Detroit en colaboración con el Consulado de México en Detroit y la Asociación de Negocios del Suroeste de Detroit te invita a explorar una exposición comunitaria de ofrendas. En México y otros países latinoamericanos, el Día de Muertos es una época del año en la que se celebran las vidas de familiares cercanos, amigos o miembros de la comunidad que han fallecido.

Para ello, se recolectan y exponen objetos importantes para el fallecido, como comidas y bebidas favoritas, recuerdos y fotos. Los altares incluyen pan de muerto, calaveritas de azúcar, velas, flores, papel picado y otras decoraciones.



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Greater Cleveland LGBTQ+ Community Needs Assessment identifies most pressing priorities of regional LGBTQ+ community

The Greater Cleveland LGBTQ+ Community Needs Assessment findings are in. Led by Kent State University's College of Public Health, in collaboration with 120 local organizations and nonprofits, this groundbreaking initiative marks a significant stride toward understanding and addressing the unmet needs of LGBTQ+ individuals across Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake and Lorain counties. The findings were shared during a community event held Oct. 19 at Studio West 117 in Lakewood, Ohio.

"The core objective of the Greater Cleveland LGBTQ+ Community Needs Assessment was to identify and report the most pressing needs and priorities of our community," Snyder said. "By leveraging principles of authentic community engagement and LGBTQ+-affirming collaborative partnerships, we have generated valuable insights that will inform local investments, programming and decision-making to better serve LGBTQ+ individuals in our region.

"The Greater Cleveland LGBTQ+ Community Needs Assessment gathered insights from 2,000 respondents – including 1,653 LGBTQ+ individuals and 353 LGBTQ+ allies – conducted 23 key stakeholder interviews and engaged 178 participants in listening sessions," Snyder continued. "These participants were recruited to share their lived experiences through 120 community events and venues of significance. Results are available to the public via lgbtqohio.org, together with the 2SLGBTQIA+ Racial Equity Report, a

self-reported health dashboard, and a local resource Linktree."

According to Snyder, the key findings from the LGBTQ+ community needs assessment are centered around seven holistic domains of health, each tightly integrated with the social determinants of health. These domains reflect the lived experiences and challenges faced by LGBTQ+ individuals in Greater Cleveland, with a particular focus on health, religion, education, housing, employment, safety and recreation.

The survey revealed:

In the area of *Health and Wellness*, 5% of LGBTQ+ participants did not have health insurance coverage, highlighting a critical gap in access to essential healthcare.

Within *Religion and Spirituality*, 22% of LGBTQ+ participants reported feeling coerced into participating in religious or spiritual activities to access food assistance, temporary shelter or other basic needs.

In *Education and Literacy*, 93% of participants said they had to seek out LGBTQ+ sex education or information on their own, underscoring a widespread lack of inclusive and accessible sexual health resources in educational institutions.

In the area of *Housing, Food and Basic Needs*, nearly a quarter (24%) of LGBTQ+ participants have experienced housing insecurity, and 30% of respondents reported past experiences of food insecurity.

In *Business, Employment and Commerce*, 32% of LGBTQ+ participants reported feeling discriminated against at work due

to their sexual orientation or gender identity.

In the area of *Safety and Law Enforcement*, 55% of respondents expressed concern about their safety or acceptance in certain parts of Cuyahoga, Lake, Lorain or Geauga counties because of their LGBTQ+ identity.

Within *Recreation and Leisure*, the top five obstacles LGBTQ+ participants faced in accessing recreation and leisure activities were time constraints, cost, lack of awareness of available options, distance from home and transportation issues.

The Priorities

These findings, along with 130 other indicators outlined in the full community report, paint a comprehensive picture of the systemic challenges that LGBTQ+ individuals in Greater Cleveland continue to face, calling for targeted interventions, policy changes and community-based solutions to improve health, safety and overall quality of life.

The top priority identified by members of the local LGBTQ+ community is fostering a culture of inclusiveness, empathy, open-mindedness, acceptance and respect, both within the community and in society at large. This remains true even when accounting for race and ethnicity, reflecting a universal desire for greater unity and understanding.

A close second is the demand for stronger laws to protect against discrimi-



Front row (from left to right): Kameron Pepera, Carey Gibbons, Bella Sin, Jehalni White and Andrew Snyder. Back row (from left to right): Ty Stimpert, Avery Ware, Ginger Marshall, Bree Easterling, Henry Ng, Emilia Lombardi, Gulnar Feerasta, Phyllis Harris and Erin Washington. — Photo credit: Bridget Caswell

nation, particularly in areas such as gender-affirming care, workplace rights, reproductive and family rights, marriage equality, gender markers on official documents, housing policies and the taxation of non-spousal health benefits.

Lastly, addressing feelings of uncertainty and helplessness by promoting actionable solutions and encouraging active community engagement is a key priority for fostering a more empowered and resilient LGBTQ+ community.

The Partners

The ambitious project was made possible through the generous support of primary funders, including the Cleveland Foundation, the George Gund Foundation, Mt. Sinai Health Foundation, along with contributions from the LGBT Community Center of Greater Cleveland, Kent State's College of Public Health, the Brennan Family Foundation, University Hospitals, Cleveland Clinic and Planned Parenthood Advocates of Ohio. Additionally, in-kind services from Studio West 117, NG Photogra-

phy, Night Sweats and T Cells, Howling Print and Promo, Beachland Ballroom and Tavern, STEM Handmade Soaps, Near West Theater, Hope Soap and Dean Rufus House of Fun underscore the breadth of community support.

Snyder said the project's primary community partner is the LGBT Center of Greater Cleveland, led by Executive Director Phyllis "Seven" Harris. "I am happy that the LGBT Community Center could offer support and collaboration to play a pivotal role in guiding this initiative to success," Harris said. "Strategic community engagement and collaborative partnerships ensured diverse voices were heard and valued throughout the entire needs assessment process."

"The Cleveland Foundation is committed to the health and wellbeing of the LGBTQ+ community and is honored to invest in community-driven research that will help guide our investments to elevate the voices and well-being of LGBTQ+ Greater Clevelanders," said Andrew Katusin, program

officer of grantmaking initiatives at the Cleveland Foundation. The release of the Greater Cleveland LGBTQ+ Community Needs Assessment follows the success of a similar assessment conducted in Greater Akron from 2020-2022, highlighting the importance of tailored approaches to address the diverse needs of LGBTQ+ communities across Northeast Ohio.

"This initiative represents a culmination of months of collaborative effort, exemplifying the power of community-led research and collective action," said David Margolius, M.D., director of public health for the Cleveland Department of Public Health. "LGBTQ health is public health."

"The ongoing commitment to inclusivity, collaboration and community-driven research exemplifies the project's dedication to advancing LGBTQ+ health and wellbeing across the region," Snyder said.

For more information about the project visit www.lgbtqohio.org/greater-cleveland.



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CEREMONIA DEL DÍA DE MUERTOS Cleveland Museum of Art

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5:30-6:30 p.m.

Free; All Ages; No Reservation Required

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In partnership with the Mexican Committee of Cleveland, guests are invited to learn the art and history of Day of the Dead. Learn more about the holiday with art making, hear remarks from experts and those who celebrate, and see live dancers perform over our ephemeral sawdust carpet or tapete.

This event is a wonderful opportunity to connect and learn more about the upcoming Cleveland Día de Muertos Parade

on Saturday, November 2, in Gordon Square.

En asociación con el Comité Mexicano de Cleveland, los huéspedes están invitados a aprender el arte y la historia del Día de Muertos. Aprenda más sobre la festividad con la creación de arte, comentarios de expertos y aquellos que celebran, y vea a los bailarines en vivo actuar sobre nuestro tapete de aserrín efímero.

Este evento es una oportunidad maravillosa para conectarse y aprender más sobre el próximo Desfile del Día de Muertos de Cleveland el sábado 2 de noviembre en Gordon Square.

www.clevelandart.org

MAKE DAY OF THE DEAD MASKS

Lorain Public Library System

South Lorain Branch 2121 Homewood Drive Fri., November 1, 2024 3 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Learn to make your

mask for Day of the Dead. Materials will be provided. Preregistration required.

www.lorainpubliclibrary.org

DIA DE MUERTOS OHIO

Cleveland Public Theatre

6415 Detroit Avenue, Cleveland OH Saturday, November 2, 2024

11:00 am to 10:00 pm

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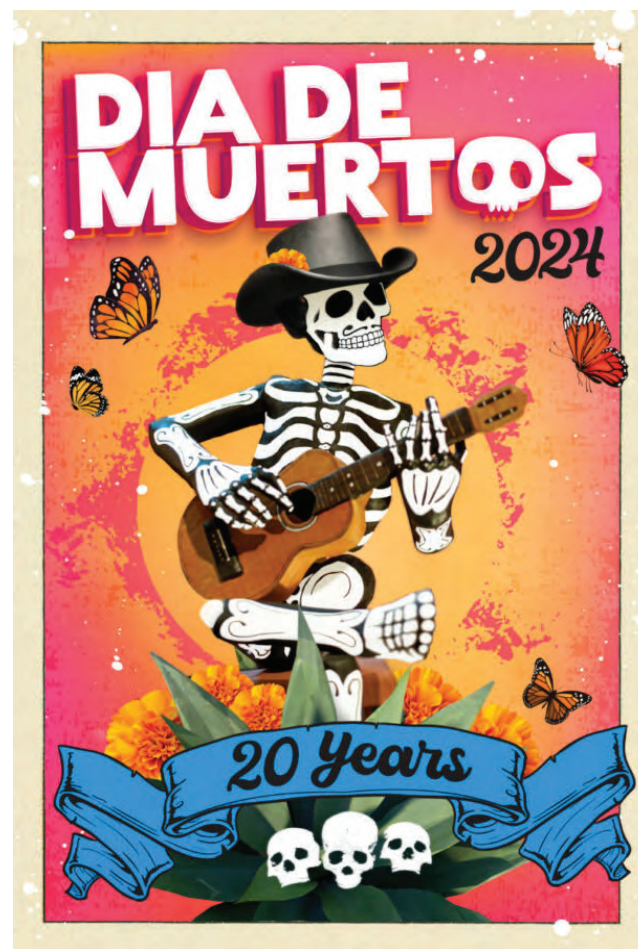
November 3, 10:00 AM-5:00 PM

Enjoy a day filled with celebratory activities and learn about the rich history of Día de los Muertos including a participatory community ofrenda, performances and experiences, art-making, tasty bites and more.

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www.columbusmuseum.org



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Vote early in person: Oct. 8 - Nov. 3, 2024; Must show unexpired Photo ID; Find all early voting locations at: ohiosos.gov/elections/voters/toolkit/early-voting

Vote on Election Day: November 5, 2024; Must show unexpired Photo ID

If you don't have photo ID, and are 17 or older, you can get a free Ohio state ID card from the Ohio BMV

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Columbus Crew honored with five finalists for 2024 MLS Year-End Awards

COLUMBUS, October 24, 2024: – Major League Soccer announced that five members of the Columbus Crew have been named finalists for the 2024 MLS Year-End Awards, honoring the league's top performers during the MLS regular season. The Crew's honorees include Wilfried Nancy (Sigi Schmid MLS Coach of the Year), Cucho Hernández (Landon Donovan MLS MVP), Steven Moreira (Defender of the Year), Patrick Schulte (Goalkeeper of the Year) and Darlington Nagbe (Audi Goals Drive Progress Impact Award).

The Crew are one of only three MLS clubs with multiple finalists across the eight categories, joined by Inter Miami CF (six) and LAFC (three). The winners are set to be announced throughout the Audi 2024 MLS Cup Playoffs.

In his second season with the Crew, Nancy earns finalist honors for the third consecutive year after leading his side to a club-record and personal-best 66 points (19-6-9). The Black & Gold earned 57 points during last year's MLS Cup champi-

onship season, tying the team's previous best set in 2008, after Nancy guided CF Montreal to a club-record 65 points in 2022, when he finished second for the league accolade by one-tenth of a percentage point.

Columbus in 2024 finished second in both the Supporters' Shield and Eastern Conference standings, recording Club records in goals scored (72), goal differential (+32), away wins (9), and away goals (34) in MLS play. Under Nancy's leadership, the Crew became the first MLS club to reach three tournament finals in the span of nine months, winning both the 2023 MLS Cup and 2024 Leagues Cup.

The reigning MLS Cup MVP, Cucho finished the 2024 campaign with a career-best 19 goals and 14 assists in 27 league appearances, setting a new Crew standard for goal contributions in one season (33). He has recorded 20 goals and 16 assists in 25 matches across all competitions since the Concacaf Champions Cup final on June 2. In his second full season with the Black & Gold, Cucho became the

first player in Club history and only the 19th in MLS history to post multiple seasons with both 10+ goals and 10+ assists, surpassing his totals from 2023.

Twice named to MLS' Team of the Matchday, Moreira has tallied two goals and four assists in 27 league appearances (23 starts). The defender held a 95.3 percent passing accuracy in regular season play. He currently ranks 16th in most regular season assists in Club history with 20 and played in his 100th regular season match on Oct. 2 against Inter Miami CF.

In his third season as a professional, Schulte started 27 MLS matches for the Black & Gold, amassing 76 saves and posting career-highs in shutouts (10) and Goals Against Average (1.07). The 23-year-old played every minute of the



Concacaf Champions Cup campaign, collecting 36 saves as the Crew reached the Final for the first time in Club history. For his performance, including two crucial penalty kick saves in the shootout at Tigres UANL in the quarterfinals, Schulte was named Best Goalkeeper of the Tournament and selected to the Best XI. This summer, Schulte was a member of the United States' 2024 Paris Olympics team. He started all four matches and became the first active MLS player to record a shutout at the Olympics as the Americans reached the knockout rounds for the first time in 24 years. On Sept. 7, Schulte earned his second senior cap with the U.S. Men's National Team in a friendly against Canada.

The Ohio native and Crew captain, Nagbe's commitment to the community is as highly regarded as his reputation on the pitch. He has a long-standing history of giving back to the community, including a passion for the Boys and Girls Club. Recently, he was profiled by The Players Tribune and highlighted for his community efforts through the Audi Celebrating Impact content series. As a result, Audi made a \$40,000 contribution through the Audi Goals Drive Progress fund on behalf of Nagbe to The Boys and Girls Club of Central Ohio following a highly engaging visit with the group, leading to his desire to host children from the facility for one of the Crew's final 2024 home matches.

In 2024, Nagbe frequently used his platform to promote children's

mental health awareness with Nationwide Children's Hospital and the Kids Mental Health Foundation. Leveraging his social media presence, reputation, and stardom, Nagbe supported the foundation's On Our Sleeves Moment and encouraged the community to participate in their 5k fundraiser, which he attended. The event ultimately raised more than \$184,000 to help provide expert-created resources to promote mental health for children. He also was frequently involved in advancing the League and Club's efforts around major campaigns such as Kick Childhood Cancer month.

The full list of 2024 awards finalists is below:

Sigi Schmid MLS Coach of the Year

- Chris Armas (Colorado Rapids)
- Gerardo 'Tata' Martino (Inter Miami CF)
- **Wilfried Nancy (Columbus Crew)**

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MLS Defender of the Year

- Jordi Alba (Inter Miami CF)
- **Steven Moreira (Columbus Crew)**
- Jackson Ragen (Seattle Sounders FC)

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- Kristijan Kahlina

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- Hugo Lloris (LAFC)
- **Patrick Schulte (Columbus Crew)**

Audi Goals Drive Progress Impact Award

- Andrew Farrell (New England Revolution)
- **Darlington Nagbe (Columbus Crew)**
- Ilie Sánchez (LAFC)

MLS Comeback Player of the Year

- Robin Lod (Minnesota United FC)
- Maxi Moralez (New York City FC)
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Migrant families separated under Trump still feel the fallout and they fear his return to office

By REBECCA SANTANA Associated Press

WASHINGTON, Oct 26, 2024 (AP) Sixteen-year-old Billy's friends at his rural high school in the South don't know he was one of thousands of children separated from their parents at the U.S.-Mexico border under then-President Donald Trump's zero tolerance immigration policy.

At school, where he plays football and soccer, Billy doesn't talk about what he went through — that his father was told six years ago that Billy was being given up for adoption and feared he would never see his son again.

With the United States on the verge of an election that could put Trump back in office, Billy wants people to know that what happened to him and several thousand other children reverberates still. Some families have not been reunited, and many of those together in the U.S. have temporary status and fear a victorious Trump carrying out promised mass deportations.

"It was a very painful thing that happened to us," said Billy, who was 9 at the time. He did not want his full name or the

state he lives in identified for fear of endangering his family's asylum application.

Trump has made his immigration views central to his campaign, accusing the Biden administration and Vice President Kamala Harris, the Democratic nominee for president, of failing to secure the southern border. Harris has not made immigration a campaign focus but has raised Trump's zero tolerance policy, one of his most contentious immigration actions as president.

The Trump administration aimed to criminally prosecute all adults coming across the border illegally. Parents were separated from their children, who were transferred to shelters nationwide.

Trump and his campaign did not say specifically whether he would revive the practice if he wins on Nov. 5. He has previously defended it, including claiming without evidence during a Univision interview last year that it "stopped people from coming by the hundreds of thousands."

"President Trump will

restore his effective immigration policies, implement brand new crackdowns that will send shockwaves to all the world's criminal smugglers, and marshal every federal and state power necessary to institute the largest deportation operation of illegal criminals, drug dealers, and human traffickers in American history," said Karoline Leavitt, the Trump campaign's press secretary.

The Harris campaign held a event this month featuring children who were separated from their families, aiming to draw attention to Trump's policies.

Billy, who spoke at the event, is part of a group of children who are sharing their stories in short social media videos to highlight the zero tolerance policy. Billy and his father also have visited lawmakers in Washington.

Billy told The Associated Press that even though he doesn't usually talk about his experiences, he and the others are "making sure that we raise our voices and that we share our stories" so something like

this never happens again.

Most of the families who were separated years ago are in legal limbo, their immigration status in doubt. Under a settlement announced last year between families and the Biden administration, the families have two years to apply for asylum under a more favorable process.

As the election nears, advocates say they have heard from families who were separated expressing fears about Trump, if elected, making good on promises to deport millions of people.

"The families we serve are scared and have a lot of questions about what a new Trump administration would mean for them," said Anilú Chadwick Soltes, pro bono director for Together & Free, an organization launched in 2018 in response to the zero tolerance policy. The group works to help separated families.

The 2023 settlement barred future administrations from using family separation as a widespread policy until 2031. But advocates have concerns.

Christie Turner-Herbas, senior adviser with Kids in Need of Defense, said she worries about exceptions to the policy being exploited and says there has to be political will to enforce it.

The Trump administration's policy deviated from the general practice of keeping families with children together when they come to the southern border.

The goal was to dissuade people by criminally prosecuting everyone who crossed the border. For families, parents were prosecuted. Kids, who cannot be held in custody, were treated as unaccompanied minors and transferred to shelters.

After an outcry, Trump said on June 20, 2018, that he was ending the policy. Six days later,

a judge ordered the government to reunite the families, thousands of whom had been separated. Agencies didn't have their computer systems properly linked, making it difficult to reunite families. Many parents were deported, complicating things even more.

When Democrat Joe Biden became president, he created a task force to reunite families. Building on efforts by groups that had sued the Trump administration, the task force identified about 5,000 children were separated, and about 1,400 aren't confirmed to be reunited with their families.

Some are in the process. Others are believed to have reunited in the U.S. but aren't coming forward, possibly fearing government interaction. For others, no valid contact information exists, so the search continues.

The American Civil Liberties Union, which brought a lawsuit against the Trump administration that helped end family separation, puts the number of separated children closer to 5,500.

Lee Gelernt, lead counsel in that lawsuit, said the ACLU estimates that as many as 1,000 families are still apart.

"Some little children have now spent nearly their entire lives without their parents," he said.

The task force runs a website where families can register to be reunited, and it works with the International Organization for Migration to help those families with things like getting a passport to come to the U.S. The task force's director has traveled to families' home countries to do radio announcements looking for parents.

Advocacy groups also have been instrumental.

Justice in Motion, which works with advocates in Mexico and Central America to track

down parents, uses a last known address and talks to neighbors, local businesses, hospitals, schools — anyone who might know where that person is.

But they're stuck with poor recordkeeping that's now outdated, said Nan Schivone, the organization's legal director.

Families and separated children have struggled with the fallout.

For 22-year-old Efrain, there was guilt. Efrain said his father didn't want to bring him to the U.S. in 2018, but he pushed for it. When they were eventually separated, Efrain wondered whether it would have been better if his father had been alone.

His father was sent back to Guatemala. Efrain, who didn't want his full name used because he fears the repercussions, was placed in a shelter for unaccompanied children for roughly five months.

His father has diabetes, and Efrain worried about his health. When they could do a video call after Efrain left the shelter, he noticed how much thinner his father looked.

Three years later, they reunited at the Atlanta airport. Ever since, Efrain says he's been trying to make up for lost time. He says he struggles with anxiety and loneliness, echoing the isolation he felt after being separated from his father.

"It's like I'm alone in a room locked up," he said in Spanish.

Billy's father, meanwhile, still cries when he talks years later about what he and his son went through. He believes people have forgotten what happened and the families' trauma.

Billy says he's found purpose in sharing what he experienced: "I know that my story holds a lot of power."

Valerie Gonzalez in McAllen, Texas, contributed to this report.



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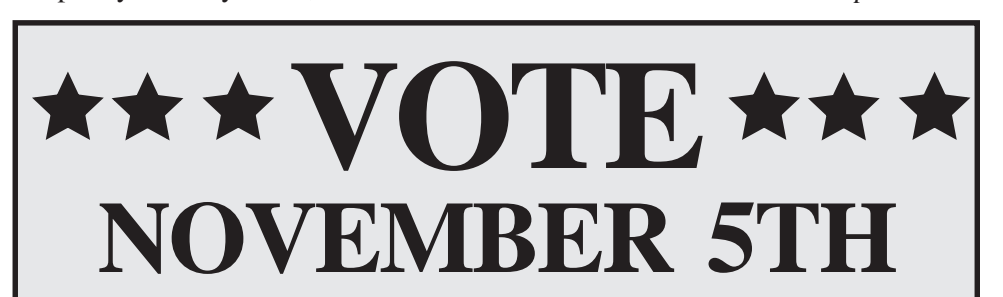
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