

TOP POLICY PRIORITIES THAT WOMEN OF COLOR WANT TO SEE ACTION ON

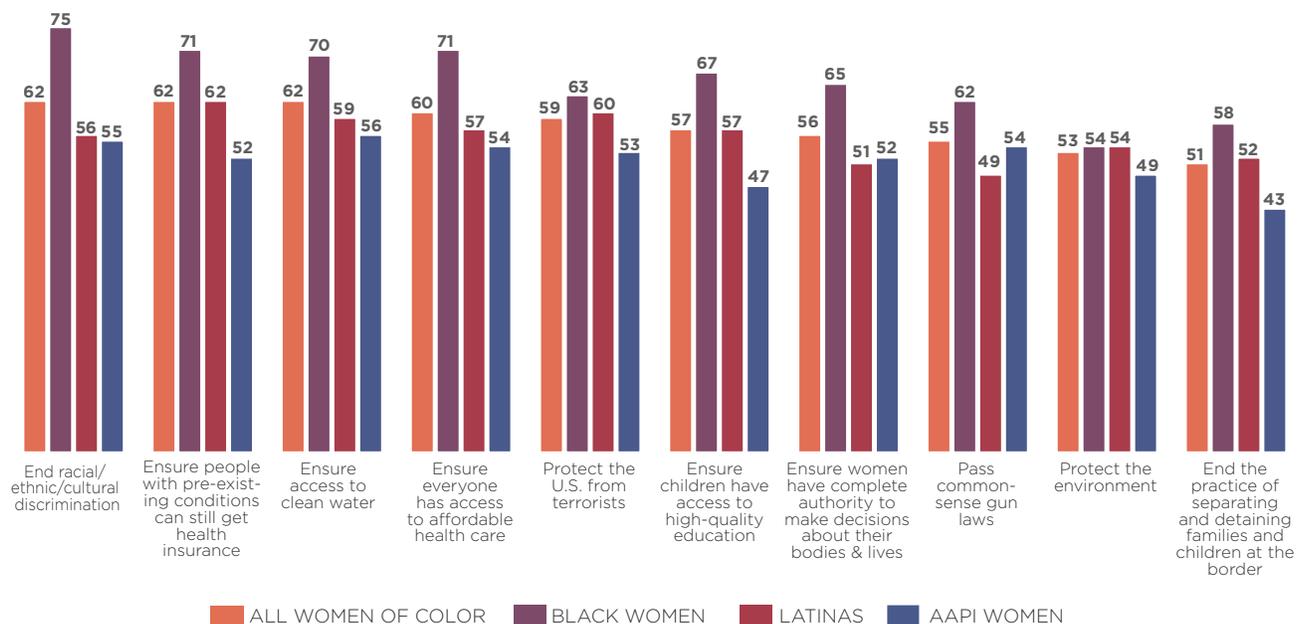
New Public Poll Shows the Power of Women of Color Voters and the Issues They Care About Most

Black women, Latinas and Asian American and Pacific Islander women voted at historic levels in the 2018 midterm election. Intersections of Our Lives, a collaborative of Reproductive Justice organizations representing women of color, sponsored a nationwide poll to understand what motivated women of color to vote and the issues they care about most.

WHILE WOMEN OF COLOR VOTERS' PRIORITIES ARE NOT MONOLITHIC, THERE IS AN INTERSECTIONALITY TO THEIR VIEWS ON POLICIES AND COMMON GROUND EXISTS. The top issues women of color want to see members of Congress make progress on over the next two years include:

- Ending racial/ethnic/cultural discrimination **(62%)**
- Ensuring people with pre-existing conditions can still access health insurance **(62%)**
- Ensuring access to clean water **(62%)**
- Ensuring everyone has access to affordable health care **(60%)**

Top 10 Issues Women of Color Say Are Extremely Important for the 116th Congress to Address



FAILURE TO DELIVER ON THE ISSUES THAT WOMEN OF COLOR VOTERS CARE ABOUT COMES WITH **ELECTORAL CONSEQUENCES.**

- **62%** of women of color say they will be watching their elected officials in Congress more closely as compared to previous elections.
- **72%** of women of color voters want members of Congress to work together across the aisle to get results.

ABOUT THE INTERSECTIONS OF OUR LIVES

Since 2016, National Latina Institute for Reproductive Health (NLIRH), National Asian Pacific American Women's Forum (NAPAWF), and In Our Own Voice: National Black Women's Reproductive Justice Agenda (In Our Own Voice), three women-of-color led national Reproductive Justice organizations with both federal and statewide presence, have intentionally collaborated with one another on a number of policy and issue actions.

As Reproductive Justice (RJ) organizations, we use a human rights frame that all people have the right to control our bodies, our sexuality, our gender, our work and our reproduction. Reproductive Justice will only be achieved when all people, of all immigration statuses, have the agency, economic, social, and political power and resources to define and make decisions about our bodies, health, sexuality, families, and communities in all areas of our lives with dignity and self-determination. We center the needs, perspectives and solutions of people of color.

As organizations that work using the Reproductive Justice lens, we recognize the cumulative impact of multiple forms of oppression in people's lives. Our broad approach is driven by the intersectional lived experiences of women of color. Without an intersectional approach and a broad vision for justice and equity, policies silo and invisibilize critical aspects of our lives that must be addressed in policy change.

For more information about Intersections of Our Lives visit: [IntersectionsofOurLives.com](https://www.intersectionsofourlives.com)

METHODOLOGY

SKDKnickerbocker conducted a national poll of 2,663 adult women in the United States who reported voting in 2018 and who self-identify as Black or African American; of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish-speaking background; or Asian American/Pacific Islander (AAPI) or of any ethnicity/national origin recognized in the Asian race category by the U.S. Census Bureau. As part of this effort, oversamples were conducted in Florida and Texas. The interviews were conducted between January 23 and February 14, 2019.

