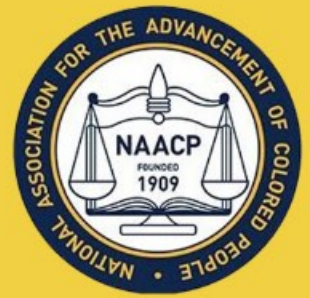


# Brag Sheet! 2021-2022

## NAACP Branch 26AA-B

### Lebanon County, PA



TO OUR MEMBERS & PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS,

AUGUST 31, 2022

We send you this Brag Sheet! to spotlight some of our main accomplishments since our Branch was chartered in February 2021 and to encourage you to renew your membership today — or start a new membership — so we can continue our work protecting & defending the civil rights of all people in Lebanon County.

Most of our Branch's current 154 memberships expire on October 12, 2022. We can't continue our work without your membership & support. Hence this appeal that you renew your membership — or start a new one — today.

## What Accomplishments?

### Here's a very partial list.

- We filed an ethics complaint against Lebanon County District Attorney Pier Hess Graf with the Disciplinary Board of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court. Our complaint was spotlighted in local and regional media and mentioned in the *New York Times*. We're still awaiting the response of the Disciplinary Board. To read the full complaint, visit our Press Releases webpage, at <https://lebanonnaacp.org/press-releases>.
- We established three active standing committees that have begun to have a positive impact in the local community:
  - Public Safety & Criminal Justice Committee
  - Education Committee
  - Legal Redress Committee
- We developed a comprehensive and ambitious strategic plan (see the About Us page of our website).
- We built & maintain a handsome website.

Q: *What have our standing committees accomplished?*

#### PUBLIC SAFETY & CRIMINAL JUSTICE



- Gained a seat in the meeting room of the Lebanon Co. Criminal Justice Advisory Board (CJAB)
- Regularly attended the meetings of the Lebanon County Prison Board
- Established five active Working Groups:
  - (1) Lebanon County Criminal Justice Advisory Board
  - (2) Prison Board & Lebanon Co. Correctional Facility
  - (3) Lebanon Police Department & Mayor's Office
  - (4) Other Lebanon Co. Municipal Police Departments
  - (5) The Pardon Project
- Established positive working relationships with key players in the Lebanon County Criminal Justice landscape





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## EDUCATION



Our Education Committee has undertaken a wide range of initiatives, including:

- Establishing positive working relationships with:
  - K-12 public school district superintendants & school boards
  - Representatives of higher education
  - The general public
- Establishing a Diversity Scholarship for a graduating high school senior in Lebanon County
- Developing a large & growing list of antiracist educational resources
- Creating & disseminating educational brochures featuring antiracist literature for children, teens & adults

## LEGAL REDRESS COMMITTEE



Over the past 18 months, our Legal Redress Committee has received and responded to more than a dozen complaints of discrimination from members of our local community. This is one of the most challenging aspects of our civil rights work here in Lebanon County. We are not lawyers and we cannot offer legal counsel. What we can do and do is listen to complainants, offer our moral support, and work to identify the legal and other resources that are available to those in need. We have met with complainants, helped to direct them to the legal resources available to them, and developed a “Complaints of Discrimination” form on our website.

## Special Events

- We organized & hosted Juneteenth / Freedom Day celebrations at public parks in 2021 and 2022
- We organized & held our Second & Third Annual Frederick Douglass Community Orations on the campus of & in collaboration with Lebanon Valley College, both video-recorded & available on YouTube
- We organized a monthly reading group at Lebanon Community Library
- We engaged in outreach at local community fairs & festivals like Historic Old Annville Day, Lebanon’s Got Pride!, Trunk-or-Treat at Halloween, and others

**IN SUM:** In our first 18 months we’ve made an outsized impact in Lebanon County, but we can only build on our accomplishments with your support. Please renew your membership today!

Easiest on the national NAACP website: <https://naacp.org/join-naacp/become-member>

**JUNETEENTH  
FREEDOM DAY CELEBRATION**  
**SATURDAY, JUNE 18**  
 11 am—6 pm, South Hills Park, 1100  
 Lincoln Ave, Lebanon PA, Pavilion No. 4

MUSIC • DANCE • FOOD • GAMES  
 POETRY • SPOKEN WORD • RAFFLE  
 YOGA FOR KIDS • COMMUNITY SUMMIT

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