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## Gabe's: No widespread discrimination found

Center promises to make changes after working with NAACP.

**By Jessica Orozco**  
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Gabe's Distribution Center is planning to make changes after an investigation with the Springfield chapter of the NAACP found no widespread discrimination

but a need for better training and communication. The company conducted a month-long investigation, it said in a release, with anonymous surveys, one-to-one confidential conversations, and larger listening sessions. It said it found discrimination claims "unsubstantiated."

Employees had contacted Springfield NAACP President Denise Williams alleging discrimination, she said in June.

"Everybody needs to be treated equally; there has to be fairness all across the board, and they agreed with that," Williams told the News-Sun. "And the climate survey showed that there should be some immediate changes happening post haste and ... they were very, very cooperative, and I appreciated that."

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A man exits Gabe's Distribution Center on June 11, in Springfield. Gabe's plans to implement better training.

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## Remembering 9/11 – 24 years later



Karin and Keith Thue, of Bellbrook, look at a memorial with American flags that honors the 24th anniversary of the 9/11 terrorist attacks at the Ferncliff Cemetery and Arboretum in Urbana on Wednesday. JOSEPH COOKE / STAFF

## Most Ohio nonprofits at risk due to cuts in funding

Around 72% of nonprofits in Ohio rely on federal funds.

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As the Trump administration continues its goal to cut down government spending, it's unclear what funding will or won't be available to nonprofits over the next few years. But federal restructuring and cuts in 2025 have already been felt locally. Federal staff of a program that help seniors pay for heat and air-conditioning have been eliminated, funding for public media

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## Millions are facing skyrocketing health insurance costs

Democrats threaten shutdown if GOP doesn't extend expiring tax credits.

**By Mary Clare Jalonick and Amanda Seitz**  
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WASHINGTON – There's bipartisan support in Congress for extending tax credits that have made health insurance more affordable

for millions of people since the COVID-19 pandemic. But the credits are in danger of expiring as Republicans and Democrats clash over how to do it. Democrats are threatening to vote to shut down the government at the end of the month if Republicans don't extend the subsidies, which were first put in place in 2021 and extended a year later when they controlled Congress and the White House. The tax credits, which are

slated to expire at the end of the year, go to low- and middle-income people who purchase health insurance through the Affordable Care Act (ACA). Some Republicans who have opposed the health care law since it was enacted under President Barack Obama are suddenly open to keeping the tax credits. They acknowledge that many of their constituents could see steep hikes in coverage if the subsidies are allowed

to lapse. Still, the two sides are far apart. Republicans are divided, with many firmly opposed. GOP leaders in the House and Senate have been open but noncommittal on the extension, and many of those Republicans who say they support it argue that the tax credits should be reworked – potentially opening up a new health care debate that could take months to resolve. Democrats would be unlikely to agree to any changes in the subsidies, increasing the chances of a standoff and mounting uncertainty for health insurers, hospitals, state governments and the people who receive them. "In just a few weeks, unless Congress acts, millions of Americans will start getting letters in the mail telling them their health insurance costs are about to go through the roof – hundreds of dollars, thousands in some

cases," Senate Democratic Leader Chuck Schumer said this past week.

**Higher health insurance rates**

Enrollment in ACA plans has surged to a record 24 million people in large part due to the billions of dollars in subsidies that have lowered costs for many people. The expanded subsidies

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