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Houston Chronicle: Neighborhood Section

Date	Article or broadcast title	Sample Quote: get the exact words. You are looking for language that is used either WITH or ABOUT the populations in this study: BIPOC, refugees, and/or immigrants.	Context Notes: tone, references, genre, register, discourses, style. What is the field of meaning that the quote seems to refer to? What appears to be the tone of the language (sincere, sarcastic, humorous, laudatory, suspicious, etc.)
9/18/20	HOA stops Harris County homeowners from displaying support for Black Lives Matter, LGBTQ	<p>Simon reported for KTRK that Sears Bennett & Gerdes, the law office representing Hearthstone HOA, sent the homeowners a letter saying they had seven days after September 2 to also remove their signs, citing their offense as "unlawful, noxious or offensive activity shall be conducted or maintained on any lot, nor shall anything be done or permitted to be done thereon that may be a nuisance to the residents of the subdivision."</p> <p>Bernardino said she feels they're being singled out because there are signs all over the neighborhood, including some for Trump as well as American flags. As far as she's concerned, she said, there is no bylaw against it.</p> <p>Even though they've stirred up quite the controversy, Bernardino told Simon she stands by her intentions.</p>	<p>This article includes several impactful quotes from the HOA involved in this situation, using strong words like "unlawful, noxious... offensive... nuisance" when referring to signs voicing support for BLM and the LGBTQ+ community. The perspective of a resident from the neighborhood is included as well, in which she states that she "feels they're being singled out" because of the Trump signs that are allowed to go up in the neighborhood. The inclusion of a community voice does something good here in making sure that the BIPOC supporters are heard. However, the article ends with saying that they have "stirred up quite the controversy," implying that their opinion being voiced is something inconvenient or irritating, something to be solved and quieted. The quotes from the HOA are longer than the quotes from the citizens, implying that the motive here was perhaps more to make the HOA look bad than to voice the injustice happening against BIPOC and their allies.</p>

Houston Chronicle: Business Section

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9/19/20	<p>Study finds Houston leads most cities in racial, economic and poverty disparities</p>	<p>Houston touts itself as one of the most diverse cities in America. It is also one of the worst for minorities when it comes to racial segregation and education and poverty gaps, according to an analysis by the Urban Institute.</p> <p>Of the 274 cities measured by the institute for how well they include low-income and minority residents in the city's economic prosperity, Houston ranked second to last.</p> <p>Kyle Shelton, deputy director of Rice University's Kinder Institute for Urban Research, pointed out that some of the factors measured in the Urban Institute's analysis have historic roots. For example, racial segregation among the city's neighborhoods was once policy — the federal government refused to insure mortgages in or near Black neighborhoods, many Houston subdivisions put in place deed restrictions banning non-whites and schools were segregated.</p>	<p>The title of this article would suggest that Houston has achieved something by using the word “lead”. Even when one reads the title, it could be interpreted as saying that Houston leads other cities when it comes to setting an example of fixing these disparities. However, upon reading the article, the opposite is clearly the truth. The article opens in a way that praises Houston as well, saying that it is “one of the most diverse cities in America,” and follows the praise by discussing the prevalent issues of racial segregation and a wage gap between whites and BIPOC. Most of the article points out distinct data that proves that Houston has a long way to go when it comes to ending racism, but the beginning would suggest that Houston has achieved something. The article does acknowledge the “historic roots” that have led to the continuing disparities, pointing out racist policies of the past that were in place in the city. This acknowledgement of former issues and the data showing how they continue does a justice to BIPOC by calling Houston out, even though it begins with praise to minimize the damage.</p>
10/19/20	<p>Ending racism would add trillions to U.S. economy</p>	<p>Forget socialism or fascism. Never mind repealing Obamacare or passing Medicare for all. Acknowledging the legacy of slavery, the persistence of racism and the reality of privilege will do</p>	<p>This article is a well-worded, compelling argument against Trump’s order to prohibit federal anti-racism training. However, as seems to often be the case with these articles, the title does not match up with the article. Implying that “ending racism” is something that can simply be</p>

	<p>more to boost the country than almost anything else.</p> <p>Yet suggesting that someone with white skin and a middle- or upper-class upbringing may have some advantages over a Black person growing up in poverty always triggers bigoted and ignorant comments. Certain Americans do not want us to talk about racism.</p> <p>President Donald Trump is one of those people, recently forcing CEOs at America's largest companies to choose between creating equitable workplaces or potentially losing government contracts and falling under federal investigation.</p> <p>Trump signed an executive order on Sept. 22 banning federal agencies and their contractors from conducting routine anti-racism training. The order's haughty tone presumes to promote equity but surreptitiously perpetuates discrimination.</p> <p>The order is one of the ugliest, covert boosts to white supremacy produced by a federal official in decades. Trump demonstrates his ignorance of every study about how racism is propagated and perpetuated by a rigged meritocratic system that punishes people of color.</p> <p>African Americans and Hispanics each makeup 12 percent of the population but own only 2 percent</p>	<p>easily done is untrue. There is a lot more work to be done. A title like "Hiring More BIPOC Individuals Would Add Trillions to U.S. Economy" is better suited for the article, or even something like "Trump's Prohibition of Federal Anti-Racism Training Loses Economy Trillions" would fit better. Mentioning BIPOC groups and the merit and work that they have been pouring out to be able to have better access and more equality would serve them well. We must acknowledge the hard work that they are putting in. Additionally, this author is a white man, who should acknowledge somewhere in the article his own privilege. It could serve to strengthen the article, as showing how he is not blameless in this issue acknowledges bias.</p> <p>However, this article is extremely well-worded, well-argued, and makes many good points. Taking a financial approach to this issue is genius, as many Republicans that I have encountered in Texas are largely preoccupied with economic gain. Arguing anti-racism from this point of view reaches some people and hits a nerve where it might not have before.</p> <p>This article is really about the egregious effects of Trump's order, but ties in a financial angle and calls for the necessity of more acknowledgement, accountability, and reparations for BIPOC.</p>
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<p>10/23/20</p>	<p>Black-owned businesses face additional challenges during pandemic: panel</p>	<p>Black-owned firms have been particularly hard hit by the pandemic; Stanford University estimates more than 40 percent have shut down across the country. Many Black-owned firms are in industries such as restaurants and retail that rely on person-to-person contact with customers.</p> <p>But Carol Guess, chair of the Greater Houston Black Chamber of Commerce, said Black-owned businesses also must deal with a</p>	<p>This article draws attention to the struggles that Black-owned businesses in particular are going through right now. Very tellingly, the article says that Carol Guess has noted that “the main challenges Black businesses still face is systemic racism.” Even though “more than 40 percent” of Black businesses have shut down during the pandemic, Guess draws attention to the issue of racism as more pressing. She also notes that it will take more than “a short amount of time” to reverse centuries of discrimination.</p>

		<p>legacy of discrimination. While the U.S. economy boomed after World War II, Jim Crow laws and regulations such as redlining, which limited lending in minority neighborhoods, made it difficult for Black-owned businesses to prosper and Black communities to build wealth.</p> <p>Even with the pandemic, the main challenges Black businesses still face is systemic racism, Guess said.</p> <p>"It became the fabric of how we live our lives," Guess said.</p> <p>"You're not going to reverse that kind of oppression economically in a short amount of time."</p>	
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Houston Chronicle: News Section

Date	Article or broadcast title	Sample Quote	Context Notes
9/24/20	'What if that was me?': Houston activists outraged over Breonna Taylor decision	<p>After NAACP's press conference, about 50 activists gathered outside Houston City Hall for what they described as a spontaneous event to express their outrage. Demonstrators took turns addressing the diverse crowd, and many advocated for "defunding" police services in favor of mental health or housing initiatives.</p> <p>Hannah Isonguyo said she related to Breonna Taylor's story as a Black woman of the same age.</p>	<p>The first sample paragraph I have included shows an undercurrent of disapproval of the protests. Saying that the activists gathered for "what they described as a spontaneous event" rather than just saying that they gathered to protest implies a level of disbelief. There seems to be a belief that perhaps they have planned the demonstration. Additionally putting "defunding" in quotes as shown shows disapproval of this. It suggests that defunding is not the right solution or that it would not be possible.</p>

		<p>"You look at a story like that, and there's so many similarities because we really are one," she said. "What if that was me? What if that was my friend? So many of us are in the same situation, and I shouldn't be afraid to fall asleep in my own home. My home is supposed to be my safe place."</p>	<p>However, much of this article does justice by BIPOC individuals by including several quotes from the protestors and activists, like the one I included here. It sparks a sense of sympathy, as a Black woman expresses her fear after what happened to Breonna Taylor. The article provides a platform for these individuals to make their voices heard.</p>
10/1/20	<p>Documents show large police presence, including Border Patrol, for George Floyd burial in Pearland</p>	<p>Both the FBI and DPS used airplanes to provide surveillance during the operation, which cost the city of Pearland more \$326,000, and law enforcement deployed half a dozen "sniper teams" on rooftops of nearby buildings to tamp down on potential violence.</p> <p>In a speech before George Floyd's coffin at the Fountain of Praise Church that day, Mayor Sylvester Turner issued stirring promises to reduce unnecessary use of force by Houston police officers and the funeral in the city was peaceful.</p>	<p>This article is full of presumptions, but has an air of critiquing the actions taken by the police on such presumptions. Using words like "surveillance," "sniper teams," and "potential violence," we see a hostile attitude in which people of color peacefully attending a funeral are met with arms and violence in the name of keeping safety. The article uses facts like the amount of money it cost as well as the number of people present to show the excess nature of the operation, which was essentially unnecessary. The irony at the end of the article of having the mayor call for peace at the funeral while the people there had guns trained on them by police points out the ludicrous nature of the "surveillance".</p>
10/4/20	<p>'Justice, justice, justice for Vanessa': Crowd marches through Houston for Guillén</p>	<p>More than 100 people marched through downtown Houston on Saturday afternoon, chanting in Spanish and English in remembrance of slain Fort Hood soldier Vanessa Guillén and demanding accountability from military officials just days after what would have been the Army specialist's 21st birthday.</p>	<p>The article focuses on the outrage and the anger that protesters have towards the Fort Hood military base regarding the murder of Vanessa Guillen and their failure to follow up on her complaints about sexual harassment/assault. There is a tone of recognition of the struggles that Vanessa had being a woman in the military, but what is noticeable here is the lack of</p>

		<p>With tears trickling down her face and beneath her face mask, Guillén's younger sister Lupe said the family has not received many answers from military officials in the last five months. She said she's emailed the secretary of the Army more than 20 times in the past few days but has yet to receive a reply.</p> <p>"How many more days do I have to yell or scream or judge you for what you're doing?" Lupe asked.</p> <p>Rep. Sylvia Garcia, D-Houston, said two bills — the #IamVanessaGuillén bill, which would reform the way the military reports and investigates sexual assault and harassment, and another proposing to change the name of a post office near the high school Guillén attended in her honor — must be passed in the family's quest for justice and to protect more soldiers.</p> <p>Gonzalez said she's part of an informal group of volunteers who maintain Guillén's memorial in Fort Hood, which was vandalized early Thursday. She and other volunteers try to attend marches when they can.</p>	<p>reference to intersectionality, that is to say, the fact that Vanessa was a Latina woman.</p> <p>There is also no reference to the outrage that they would have to protest to get justice for Vanessa at all. There are quotes showing the anger of the family, as well as references to the military's systemic issues, which do justice by Vanessa.</p> <p>There is also only a mention in passing to the challenges that Guillen's family continue to face, saying that the memorial was vandalized. However, this fact is not even its own sentence, but is a passing fact. Not much weight is given to the injustice that this family is facing.</p>
10/9/20	Yelp rolls out new tactic to warn consumers about	<p>"We know these values are important to our users and now more than ever, consumers are increasingly conscious of the types of businesses they patronize and support," Noorie Malik, vice</p>	<p>This article contains undertones of support for both Black Lives Matter as well as the measures taken by Yelp to identify businesses where patrons have experienced racist treatment. The included quotes from vice president Noorie Malik</p>

	<p>businesses accused of 'overtly racist actions'</p>	<p>president of user operations, wrote in a blog post. "In fact, we've seen that reviews mentioning Black-owned businesses were up more than 617% this summer compared to last summer. Support for women-owned businesses has also increased, with review mentions up 114% for the same time period."</p> <p>Malik said that as the nation continues to be affected by systemic racism, Yelp feels an obligation to help consumers make better decisions before spending their hard-earned dollars with businesses associated with egregious, racially-charged actions.</p>	<p>discuss both identifying and alerting users to businesses with racist behavior as well as supporting Black-owned businesses.</p> <p>There are also mentions of “systemic racism” that impacts the entire nation. This article implies that people should take responsibility and educate themselves about the businesses they are supporting, using methods like the new measures taken by Yelp. Yelp, in this article, is a model for what businesses and platforms should strive to do in their policy: provide ways to help eliminate systemic racism and support BIPOC-owned businesses.</p>
<p>10/12/20</p>	<p>Asian voters turn to Biden at SW Houston event</p>	<p>Five similar rallies took place across the country, said Alex Le, a co-founder of the organization's Houston branch and 23-year-old graduate student of public health. Vietnamese Americans have been left out of the national political conversation, by both Democrats and Republicans, Le said.</p> <p>"Our votes are critical," Le told the crowd. "So many of us are middle class working Americans and we are suffering from the pandemic. Our small businesses are closed or we have been laid off and we've been the victims of anti-Asian American hate crime and xenophobia. But our voices matter, we matter."</p>	<p>Though this article gives a platform for the message of many Asian Americans, roughly 54% according to the article, the title is rather misleading. Referring to the group as “Asian voters” rather than “Asian American voters” or, more specifically, “Vietnamese American voters” gives them more merit than simply referring to them as “Asian”. In the article, it is clear that many of them have lived and worked in the United States for decades. Using this term makes them sound like foreigners, and incites xenophobia.</p> <p>The article primarily talks about a group of Vietnamese American voters, and only a little about Asian American voters as a whole. Therefore, changing the title of this article would better suit its purposes.</p>

		<p>The ralliers cheered, holding Biden/Harris signs and American flags alongside the yellow and red flag of South Vietnam. Traffic roared on the busy street. Some cars honked or yelled in support, others shouted in opposition with rude hand gestures. A block down the street was blanketed in Trump signs.</p>	<p>The contents of the article itself are thoughtful, giving quotes from the people who attended the event, the organizer, and others. There is also mention of people “shouting in opposition” and acting in racist and xenophobic ways towards the group, which shows the tension in the community that they must deal with. Several of these voters have only recently decided to give up voting Republican in this election, further noting the tension and political polarization occurring in the country.</p>
<p>10/13/20</p>	<p>A treasure trove of historic photos will soon be online, but Houston Latinos say it's not enough</p>	<p>Outside of the classroom celebration marking the month, some of the history of Mexican Americans and Latinos in the region can be found in the Houston Public Library, buried in boxes under its Hispanic Collections. With the help of a \$14,000 grant from the city, the library plans to make some of those records more accessible to the public, by processing and digitizing part of an extensive backlog accumulated for decades. While Hispanic community leaders are excited about the work, they also point to what they say is a lack of resources dedicated to the largest population group in Houston and the need for Latinos to have their own library and cultural center.</p> <p>The library began organizing a Mexican American collection in the 1970s. It went unstaffed for years, until 2013 when the city hired Mikaela Selley to revamp</p>	<p>This article points to the ways in which Houston’s “largest population group” is largely ignored, in this case, in reference to their heritage and history. Texas has a troubled history, one of oppression of BIPOC groups, particularly Latinx groups. However, Texas history is proudly touted and taught in schools, while Hispanic histories fall into the background. Although there are “121 collections” in the Hispanic Collection in the Houston Public Library, they are largely inaccessible and sit collecting dust. The article also notes how “Dallas and Austin with smaller Hispanic populations” have cultural institutions devoted to this group, while Houston’s is lacking.</p> <p>The article goes on to discuss how such an institution and/or the availability of these resources online could be useful in classroom settings, where a large portion of the students identify as Latinx. The article raises questions about why this group of histories has been pushed aside for so long, especially when the population it represents makes up such a large portion of Houston’s population.</p>

the effort and renamed it as the Hispanic Collections. The archives include 650 boxes holding 121 collections, some small ones about distinguished Hispanics and others much larger about the history of organizations and events in Houston.

However, only about 10% of the Hispanic Collections are organized and available online, said Selley.

"It's time that those Latino and Hispanic records be collected and digitized, and placed in an appropriate site in Houston," said Dorothy Caram, a retired University of Houston educator and board member of several organizations.

Discussions about such a center have been boiling among Latino leaders and local authorities for the last couple of years. The Houston Mayor's Office of Cultural Affairs allocated funds last year to revive a Mexican American cultural center called Talento Bilingüe de Houston, in the East End. But the troubled institution is more a neighborhood center than the kind of cultural institution that Latinos of all origins would like to see in Houston, just as they are found in other Texas cities such as Dallas and Austin with smaller Hispanic populations.

Education experts and some studies have indicated that

		<p>students who see their communities reflected in their coursework become more engaged and tend to achieve better grades. State educators have approved some books for Mexican American curriculums, but the publishing industry is only recently recognizing an increasing demand for school texts and publications of Latino authors and researchers who need access to documentation.</p>	
<p>10/18/20</p>	<p>Friends, family gather to celebrate and commemorate George Floyd's birthday</p>	<p>Gianna Floyd, the 6-year-old daughter of George Floyd, brought it up: It was almost her daddy's birthday. And she wanted to celebrate, she told her mother Roxie Washington.</p> <p>Washington thought about Floyd and the last few months since he was killed when a former Minneapolis police officer pressed a knee onto his neck for nearly nine minutes. She thought about the people in Houston's Third Ward, where Floyd grew up and remains an ubiquitous inspiration and presence — in memory and murals. And she thought about how they've offered her and the rest of his family love and support. So Washington granted her daughter's request.</p> <p>The time that's passed since Floyd's death has been hard, Washington said. She usually avoids watching TV but the other day she turned one on to find breaking news: Derek Chauvin,</p>	<p>This article is a very heartfelt and personal look at those who were most impacted by the murder of George Floyd: his family and friends. It is full of personal epithets, stories about Floyd, and how people remembered him to be. Although references to the continuing injustice are made, the main point of this article is to spread the memory of who he was and how those closest to him remember him.</p> <p>The personal tone of the article, especially the heartbreaking request of his 6-year-old daughter to celebrate “her daddy’s birthday” garners sympathy from the reader and show how this tragedy is not only a symbol of a greater issue, but also a personal loss for this community. They are hurting. His wife, Roxie Washington, says that she will not rest until he has justice. The injustice carried out against this family is glaringly clear in this article, and the author did an excellent job of humanizing this man who has become a symbol for a greater movement. Behind all of the protesting and pain, there is a man.</p>

		<p>the former Minneapolis police officer who has been charged with murder after being filmed with his knee on Floyd's neck, had been released from jail.</p> <p>Chris Hutchins remembered the times Floyd would take him to DJ Screw's shows, despite being relatively young — "a highlight of my life." He also remembered the words of encouragement and wisdom that Floyd would dispense, serving as a big brother to many.</p> <p>"Never lead us wrong," he said. "Even if we were doing wrong, he would try to give us advice."</p> <p>Washington said she hopes for a bit justice as the officers charged in connection to his death inch toward trial.</p> <p>"I will be able to sleep and be able to eat and enjoy life like I used to when I know that police officer is in jail for the rest of his life," she said. "But I don't have peace."</p>	
<p>10/26/20</p>	<p>Trump's Latino supporters, a vocal minority, see him as a 'Superman'</p>	<p>Velasquez is among a group of Hispanics in Houston and Texas who are unwavering in their support of the president, despite his stance and policies on immigration and his vitriolic attacks against some in the Latino community. They agree with him on his immigration positions, adding they also feel empowered by someone they see as a</p>	<p>Firstly, it is interesting to hear the voices of Latino voters in this article, who make up a large part of the Texas population. Despite this, there are far more articles written about Black people rather than Latinx groups, which are bigger and more prominent in the area. Additionally, when they decide to focus on Latino voters, they choose to talk to the ones that support Trump, though they make it clear that the majority of Latinx people feel attacked by</p>

		<p>"Superman," someone who is strong, successful and exudes a "macho" confidence. Some Latino voters, however, wonder how this group could support a president who has belittled the community.</p> <p>She pointed to his remarks in the 2016 presidential race about how Mexico "was sending criminals and rapists" to the U.S. She is also concerned by the Trump administration's separation of children from their parents at the border and his refusal to provide a permanent legal status to immigrants brought to the country illegally when they were minors, known as Dreamers.</p> <p>How Hispanics in Texas have voted hasn't been as well studied as other states, including Florida, where Latino voters have been recognized as essential to win elections for decades. Former state legislator Jason Villalba said he founded the Texas Hispanic Policy Foundation a year ago to fill that void.</p> <p>They support his efforts to eliminate abortion in any circumstance and promote religious freedom. "We support Trump because we don't want the bible to be taken from schools or churches to be closed," Rodriguez said. "We are not going with those saying that if you are a boy but feel like a girl, it's OK to dress like a girl."</p>	<p>Trump's words and policies about immigration and border control. Regardless, focusing on these people is certainly an interesting choice to make.</p> <p>The article points to Trump as a sort of "macho" figure for these groups, and includes divisive quotes from them, including one that is quite transphobic and denies the existence of trans people altogether.</p> <p>Also telling is the mention that the voting habits of Latinx groups "hasn't been as well studied as other states," even though, as discussed, these groups make up a large part of the population of the state.</p> <p>There are also quotes from Trump that highlight his disrespect for the community and for immigrants as a whole. He calls Mexican immigrants "criminals and rapists." By including these rather polarizing quotes, there is an undertone of criticism towards these voters, suggesting that Latinx supporters of Trump are even more blind than those who are white, as Trump has spoken directly against him. However, there is not much criticism of other voters who would support him.</p> <p>By making these voters appear polarizing and blind to their president, the article undermines their credibility and also ignores the fact that there are many other groups supporting Trump, and that these voters are not any worse than regular voters for Trump just because they are BIPOC people and are expected to vote blue because of it.</p>
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<p>10/30/20</p>	<p>Kamala Harris visit to Houston is key in campaign's steady outreach to Black Texans</p>	<p>The visit from Harris, who would be the first woman and the first person of color to serve as vice president, is the latest display of outreach from a Biden campaign that has made a steady investment in getting Black Texans to the polls.</p> <p>Carroll Robinson, chair of the Texas Coalition of Black Democrats, said the Biden campaign's level of engagement in the state, and particularly its appeals to the Black community, are unprecedented, from its spending on advertisements and outreach to now this personal visit from Harris.</p> <p>There's significant ground to make up for both candidates after turnout among Black voters dropped in 2016 by about 7 percentage points, the first decline in 20 years, according to Pew data.</p> <p>Texas Democrats also launched their self-proclaimed biggest</p>	<p>This article is very informational and factual about the impact of Kamala's visit to Texas. However, there are not any quotes from Black voices in this article. The overall tone is very reductionary and makes Black voters as a whole into a statistic rather than a group of individuals with opinions and emotions. Including so many numbers about Black voters rather than opinions from the Black community reduces their impact. As they are a group of "1.5 million Black voters" in the state, they should be given more of a voice rather than trivialized.</p>

		<p>Black voter mobilization effort to date in late July. The coalition, in conjunction with the party and former presidential candidate Beto O'Rourke's Powered by the People initiative, reached out to the state's 1.5 million Black voters through phone calls and text messages.</p>	
<p>10/31/20</p>	<p>Harris County Latinos poised to capture record share of electorate, driven by young and first-time voters</p>	<p>"People are looking at America a lot differently now. In some cases we're seen as a joke," he said afterward. "I can't preach about how everything needs to change if I'm not going to try anything to change it."</p> <p>Rosales is one of thousands of new Latino voters in Harris County this year who are poised to help the group capture their largest-ever share of the electorate, moving their political power closer to their status as the largest ethnic group here.</p> <p>Latinos comprise 44 percent of the county's 4.7 million residents but cast just 19 percent of votes in the 2016 election. More than half a million are non-citizens, many eligible voters are unregistered and turnout among those who are historically is lower for Latinos than other groups.</p> <p>"She's like, 'this could be a different chance. It could help our community,'" Ramirez said. "Since she's doing it, I wanted to make a difference, as well."</p>	<p>This article gives a voice to Latino voters and tells personal stories from those who are voting for the first time in this election. As this is one of Texas' largest voter groups, having this kind of discourse is very important. It reads like a call to action for Latino voters to make their voices heard in Texas, while the earlier article is very analytical and dehumanized.</p>

		<p>Martinez said he was surprised to see so many of his friends post on social media that they had voted. He said the federal government has failed in its response to the COVID-19 pandemic, which has disproportionately killed Latinos. Ramirez said President Donald Trump is an unkind person because he has made racist remarks and once mocked a disabled person.</p> <p>Both said they were eager to vote for Democratic presidential nominee Joe Biden. A minority of Latinos support Trump, though the group is notoriously difficult to survey. A New York Times/Siena College poll released Monday found the president was drawing more support from Texas Latinos than in 2016, key to him winning a close contest here.</p>	
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Houston Chronicle: Opinion Section

Date	Article or broadcast title	Sample Quote	Context Notes
9/24/20	Opinion: How many George Floyds and Breonna Taylors are there in America? We don't know	Scholars who attempt to document these basic facts about police agencies are often frustrated to no end. Jonathan Mummolo of Princeton — who has written some of the best work on how to detect racial bias in policing — found that he could barely get off the ground when he	The tone of this article is very academic and solution-driven. The end as well as the title lament the fates that many Black Americans have met at the hands of the police. This piece is a call to change, and a suggestion for a system that would hold police officers accountable. It points out that there is little research done on the subject- researchers could “barely get off

		<p>wanted to study the effects of militarized policing.</p> <p>Fortunately, the new Justice in Policing Act of 2020 — recently introduced in Congress — would be a good start. For one, it would require law enforcement agencies to create a "national police misconduct registry" intended to track complaints and discipline nationwide, so that agencies would be better able to screen out "bad apples" from other jurisdictions. For another, the act would require states to report on police shootings, deaths and uses of force, including a wide range of details on the civilians involved, the circumstances and context, and whether officers first tried to de-escalate the situation.</p> <p>The brutality inflicted on George Floyd should never happen to anyone. But without good data, we have little idea of how many George Floyds have been victimized by police officers. Demanding systematic, transparent, and audited data is a step toward holding police accountable for protecting the lives and well-being of all Americans.</p>	<p>the ground” when investigating such matters.</p> <p>Clearly, this academic standpoint appeals to logic, but contains undertones of anger against the police on behalf of BIPOC. This is evident through the use of “bad apples” in quotations and “demanding” when referring to the information on police practices that we currently have little to no access to.</p>
<p>10/16/20</p>	<p>Opinion: White supremacy is not patriotic and anti-racism</p>	<p>President Donald Trump said he recently banned anti-racism training in the federal government because the training is racist and is teaching people to hate our country. This mirrors language in an executive order that attempts</p>	<p>This article outlines Trump’s order to ban anti-racism training in federal government offices. It argues against the order and debunks the misconception that anti-racism training is somehow “anti-American” or “racist”. It includes quotes from Trump calling anti-racism</p>

<p>training is not un-American an</p>	<p>to define talk of racial inequities in the United States as anti-American. This action and language add to a pattern of gaslighting efforts to make Americans fear that the rights of white people are at risk or that they have something to fear from increased awareness of racism in the county. But that could not be further from the truth.</p> <p>Trump says we have to "go back to the core values of this country" and that anti-racism is "very bad ideas and frankly, very sick ideas." His comments disregard the country's history of racist oppression and the formation of the United States as a country based on the norms of patriarchal whiteness for the benefit of a few. Acknowledgment of the history of racism in this country is an important piece in understanding the background of the institutional and systemic racism existing today.</p> <p>From programs for housing and health insurance to criminal justice to education and health care, bias and systemic racism must be met with a critical eye and an awareness of what we are all doing, sometimes unintentionally, to perpetuate the problem. The voices of Black and brown people and their experiences with racism need to be listened to and believed; anti-racism training needs to be centered around these experiences. White people,</p>	<p>training "sick" ideas and shows how easily calls for more action by BIPOC groups were shut down.</p> <p>The article calls for more "acknowledging" of racial injustices and the history that plagues our nation. The author also states their own position as well as the position of the Trump administration as "not experts on Black and brown experiences" and notes that with this privilege, the best thing to do is to listen to BIPOC, something that the President is clearly not doing.</p> <p>The author's acknowledgement of their position and inability to fully understand the struggles of being a person of Color in the United States are important. This article also makes it clear that the important thing to do is to listen to those voices, which gives merit to the Black and brown voices that are asking for help every day. This article does justice by BIPOC groups and is a call to action.</p>
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		<p>including me and certainly the Trump administration, are not experts on Black and brown experiences and never will be. There are many, many voices with experience speaking right now. It's just a matter of listening.</p>	
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Houston Chronicle: Entertainment Section

Date	Article or broadcast title	Sample Quote: get the exact words. You are looking for language that is used either WITH or ABOUT the populations in this study: BIPOC, refugees, and/or immigrants.	Context Notes: tone, references, genre, register, discourses, style. What is the field of meaning that the quote seems to refer to? What appears to be the tone of the language (sincere, sarcastic, humorous, laudatory, suspicious, etc.)
10/1/20	Megan Thee Stallion encourages fellow hotties to vote	<p>The queen has spoken, hotties.</p> <p>In an Instagram video that has garnered more than 1.4 million views, Houston native Megan Thee Stallion called out to her fans, reminding them to exercise their right to vote.</p> <p>The Houston hot girl's involvement in encouraging people to vote is an add-on to the continued effort of celebrities and companies to get young people to vote in the upcoming presidential election, according to Forbes' Andrea Bossi.</p> <p>From landing No. 1 hits on the Billboard charts to being named one of Time's 'Most Influential People' of 2020, Megan has been at the top of her game this year, so</p>	<p>This article contains sexualizing undertones, and suggests as well the idea of the rapper being an “exception” to her race.</p> <p>First of all, this article was likely only written because Megan is a “Houston native” and therefore is something for the city to be proud of. She is also called a “hot girl,” as if that is her defining characteristic. Additionally, her message to encourage people to vote seems to take the backseat in this article. She is a sex symbol first, activist second. Listing her accomplishments to make her seem more important also, again, highlights the phenomenon of Black exceptionalism. She is an outlier from her race because of her achievements.</p>

		<p>it's no wonder the people think she can turn the dial. I mean, have you seen her fanbase?</p>	
10/2/20	<p>Rihanna's Savage X Fenty fashion show is diversity done the right way</p>	<p>Her 2020 Savage X Fenty fashion show was one for the books, and she managed to take diversity to new levels. Aside from featuring a variety of women and men from multiple races and ethnicities as models, she had all shapes and sizes included in her show as well.</p> <p>In an interview with Elle, Rihanna expressed the importance of all women being able to feel sexy in her lingerie line: "You, me, trans women, women of all sizes, paraplegic women, all women are important women! All women belong here, on the biggest platform I can give them."</p> <p>Twitter was in agreement: no one does diversity quite like Rihanna.</p>	<p>Much like the article about Megan Thee Stallion, this article has a tone of Black exceptionalism. Because she is Black, she focuses on diversity and is able to do it like no other. According to the article, including people of all shapes and appearances is "[taking] diversity to new levels," even though this is simply representation of what people look like. Seeing her modeling as being exceptional perpetuates the stereotype of only having thin, white, female models in lingerie.</p>
10/13/20	<p>'Protect Black women' is not controversial, Megan Thee Stallion writes in New York Times op-ed</p>	<p>After a lot of self-reflection, she said, she realized that it's been normalized for men to just treat women like objects, adding that thoughts like that justify inflicting abuse against Black women.</p> <p>"The issue is even more intense for Black women, who struggle against stereotypes and are seen as angry or threatening when we try to stand up for ourselves and our sisters. There's not much room for passionate advocacy if you are a Black woman," she wrote. "We live in a country</p>	<p>This article takes a personal tone, and, though written by the same author as the earlier article about Megan Thee Stallion, has a much less clickbait-y title and a more serious tone. The author takes a personal stance by including a quote from Megan that it would be nice if Black Women "weren't inundated with negative, sexist comments," followed by the personal response that "as a fellow Black woman, the answer is: Yes. It would be." Perhaps the earlier article was meant more to placate the desire for salacious articles about Black Women and women in general. However, this article contains</p>

		<p>where we have the freedom to criticize elected officials. And it's ridiculous that some people think the simple phrase 'Protect Black women' is controversial. We deserve to be protected as human beings."</p> <p>The Houston native asked: "Wouldn't it be nice if Black girls weren't inundated with negative, sexist comments about Black women?"</p> <p>And, as a fellow Black woman, the answer is: Yes. It would be.</p> <p>But that will take time, Megan said, and we as Black women know that "after the last ballot is cast and the vote is tallied, we are likely to go back to fighting for ourselves."</p> <p>It's an unfortunate, but likely reality.</p>	<p>critical commentary about the treatment of Black Women by society, using powerful words like "passionate advocacy," "women... objects," and "fighting". This expresses the frustration that Black Women feel about their place in society, through the words of rapper Megan Thee Stallion.</p> <p>The article ends on a melancholy note, reflecting that after the election, it is likely that Black Woman must continue fighting for acceptance within society. Throughout the article, the author, as a Black Woman, leaves a message of identification and implies that many Black Woman would likely relate to the situation. Although this is an article about a rapper, there is a lot of personal commentary throughout, sending a message about the necessity of acceptance of Black Women.</p>
<p>10/23/20</p>	<p>First Lady Melania Trump was 'astonished' Vogue featured Beyoncé as September 2018 cover star</p>	<p>The September 2018 issue of Vogue is memorable not only because of Beyoncé, but because it was the first time a Black photographer was selected to shoot the cover star. But not everyone shared the feeling of excitement.</p> <p>First lady Melania Trump apparently was astonished over Vogue's decision to feature the Houston native on the cover and allow her to give her editorial input, as reported by Anna Schecter with NBC News.</p>	<p>The quotes included by this article from Melania Trump show a level of ineptitude. Having her say that the photographer gave "complete... everything" to Beyonce, a Black woman, shows that she has an idea of Black exceptionalism. She is "astonished," as the article says, that this is happening, and sees it as perhaps special.</p> <p>On the other hand, in an era of so much discussion to be had about race, are two-year-old tapes about Melania talking about Beyonce really relevant? It seems like this article really was not necessary to be written. While it shows that the Trump</p>

		<p>"Anna gave the September issue of Vogue cover — complete, complete, complete, everything — to Beyoncé," Trump said, referring to Vogue editor Anna Wintour, said, as reported by Schecter. "She hired Black photographer. And it's the first Black photographer ever doing cover of Vogue."</p>	<p>administration has some racist ideology, this is not new news to anyone.</p>
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Houston Chronicle: Politics Section

Date	Article or broadcast title	Sample Quote	Context Notes
<p>10/14/20</p>	<p>'You feel the racial tension': Meet the first Black candidate in an 84% white Texas district</p>	<p>JASPER — With no political experience, Rashad Lewis won a seat on the Jasper City Council as a write-in candidate in 2017. Three years later, he's attempting to flip one of the nation's most conservative districts blue as the first Black candidate to run for it.</p> <p>Lewis said he is not afraid to take on a race generally viewed as unwinnable. The nonpartisan Cook Political Report calls it the 15th-most conservative district in the nation.</p> <p>Primarily rural and 84 percent white, the district has seen little of the demographic change that has swept across Texas over the past decade. Locals still rely on farming and the timber industry, and support President Donald Trump.</p>	<p>This article mainly focuses on Lewis' position as a Black man who must fight for BIPOC rights, rather than his policies aside from this, or any outrage that it is on him to do this work, rather than anyone else. There are also hints of Black exceptionalism, in words like "first," "unwinnable," "reckoning," "racial lines," and "racial tension." Here, it is seen as Lewis' responsibility to try to turn this area Blue by running for a position of power. He is seen as a representative for his race, an example, rather than a candidate who simply happens to be BIPOC.</p> <p>This is not necessarily the fault of the article, but is more how the area views him. However, the article certainly contains undertones of this message. It is seen as almost miraculous that such a man would want to run in such a conservative district.</p>

		<p>But he is also counting on a newfound urgency among Black and Hispanic voters, spurred by waves of racial reckoning earlier this summer. That reckoning holds a particular significance in this part of East Texas and to Lewis himself.</p> <p>In 1998, Jasper was ripped apart along racial lines over the brutal murder of James Byrd Jr., a Black man, at the hands of three white men. Lewis' father became involved in local activism efforts to fight for justice for Byrd.</p> <p>"A lot of people assume we've progressed so much," Lewis said. "But you feel the racial tension getting closer to November. Black and brown people don't typically come out to vote ... but they are here. With everything going on, this is the year they'll let their voice be heard."</p>	
<p>10/27/ 20</p>	<p>Twitter reacts to Jared Kushner saying Black people must 'want to be successful'</p>	<p>In an interview with Fox & Friends, Kushner said Trump's policies can help Black people "break out of the problems that they're complaining about." He continued, saying, "but he can't want them to be successful more than they want to be successful."</p> <p>U.S. Rep. Barbara Lee said, "Jared Kushner is the face of white privilege and nepotism. He doesn't want to change our racist, broken system because he benefits from it. He's the last</p>	<p>Including “Twitter” in the title is an interesting choice, as it is not just Twitter affected by it. Reducing it to a social media app makes the pushback that is being given to Jared Kushner seem trivial and unimportant. Besides this, including several impactful quotes in the article points out the real ignorance of the Trump administration and the reactions that other members of government have had in response.</p> <p>Saying that Black people need to “want to be successful” implies that they currently do not do so, and that instead, they</p>

	<p>person that should be lecturing the Black community on the value of 'hard work.'"</p> <p>U.S. Rep. Cedric Richmond also weighed in on Jared Kushner's comments on CNN. "It's white privilege ... This whole thought that the president could want success for Black people more than Black people is just consistent ignorance coming out of the White House."</p>	<p>complain about inequality rather than working. As Lee puts it, such a comment is evidence of "white privilege and nepotism" on the part of Trump. These are strong words that condemn the statements made by Kushner.</p> <p>Richmond too cites "white privilege" and "consistent ignorance" on the part of the Trump administration. Clearly the positions taken by Trump and his advisor (Kushner) are being met with anger, and justifiably so.</p>
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