**EMAIL SET-UP**

**\*\*Required. Incomplete forms will be returned. Please submit to** [**cansupport@aclu.org**](mailto:cansupport@aclu.org)**.**

If you have not already, please schedule the email on the [CAN Calendar.](https://www.acluloop.org/Departments/affiliateSupport/CAN/Lists/CAN%20Calendar1/Main.aspx)

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| **Affiliate Name \*\*** | ACLU of Alabama |

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| **Target Audience \*\*** |
| Affiliate Full List  Segmented list (Please provide zip codes, chapter code or any other geo-information below. Please separate zip codes with a comma.) |
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| **Testers and Reviewers \*\***  **Please provide the email address of those that should receive a test version of this email. One person from your affiliate should respond to the CAN team with edits from all members of your affiliate team. Please don’t have everyone reply directly to the CAN team.** |
| rseungbickley@aclualabama.org |

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| **Email Template \*\***  **Note: Images are required for the Action, Event and Banner format emails.** | | | |
| Letter format  (no image) | Action format  (image 190x230) | Event Template  (image 350x300) | Banner Format (Image 600x300) |
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| **Subject line \*\***  Tease, tell or take action. Avoid initial caps, keep it under 50 characters, and make it compelling for constituents to open your email. Avoid the words “Help,” “Act,” “Marriage,” “Immigration,” “Immigrant,” “Action,” ” Let’s,” and “Save the date.” |
| One week left to register to vote in Alabama's Special Election for United States Senator. |

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| **Pre-header Text \*\***  The pre-header is the short summary text that follows the subject line when an email is viewed in the inbox. It is right about the header logo. Include a call to action. |
| The last day to register to vote is Monday, November 27, 2017. Get ready for the 12/12 special election by checking your status, updating your information, and finding your polling place. |

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| **Side Box Content (Action & Event format only)** |
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| **Hyperlinks for email message \*\*** |
| https://www.alabamavotes.gov  https://www.aclualabama.org/en/know-your-rights/while-voting |

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| **Email Body Content \*\***  Keep the content brief. One of the worst mistakes we make is trying to include the entire story into the email message. Think about when you open an email in your inbox. Do you read every single word in there? Probably not. Find a way to summarize the content compelling way, and let them click through to a page on your website for more information.  Answer the these three questions for the reader when you write your message:   1. **What are you asking me to do?** Always give the reader an action to take. Your call to action should be able to stand-alone. Remember, people scan their emails, and if there is one thing you want your recipient to notice, it is your call-to-action. 2. **What is in it for me?** You know the value of your email content, but does your recipient? Tell them why taking action is important for them or why they should attend an event. 3. **Why should I care?** Write in the second person – orient the copy toward the reader and not the ACLU. Readers take action on things that are about them or affect them. |
| One of the most important lessons we should take away from the 2016 election last year is that every vote matters. Every vote in every election is an opportunity to make a difference for ourselves and our communities.  **Tuesday, December 12 represents Alabama's next chance to vote.** This election is statewide to select the U.S. Senator that will fill the seat vacated by Jeff Sessions when he became Attorney General.  In order to vote on December 12, you must be registered by Monday, November 27.  Register online at alabamavotes.gov.  At the Secretary of State's website, you can also check your registration status, update your voting information, find your polling place, and download an application for an absentee ballot.  **This election is open to all registered Alabama voters, no matter who you voted for in the primary or any other previous election.**  Learn more about your voting rights before and on election day at aclualabama.org.  Your vote is your voice. Use it. |

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| **Social Share Buttons \*\***  **Social share buttons are added to the Action and Event templates. Please provide the language below for Twitter. We cannot customize the email or Facebook links.** |
| **Twitter:** |
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