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One birthday two party planners Freedom 250 vs America250 explained • NBC News • May 30 2026

America250's plans extend back¹ nearly a decade, before Trump was first elected president.

It is a nonpartisan, nonprofit group supporting the U.S. Semiquincentennial Commission, which was established by law² in 2016 to “plan and orchestrate the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence.”

The commission is led by a bipartisan group of lawmakers, including Republican and Democratic senators and representatives³. America250, the nonprofit arm⁴, is led by a nonpartisan group of private citizens, including the group's chair, former U.S. Treasurer⁵ Rosie Rios, and its executive vice president, Jennifer Condon.

On its website, America250 is advertising America's Block Party, a “shared celebration” across the country on July 3 and 4 that includes large and small gatherings⁶ open to the public to celebrate the spirit of the nation's founding⁷.

The group has also partnered with other organizations on initiatives like a “USA 250” patch that players wore at the Super Bowl and astronauts raising the “America 250” flag on the Artemis II mission that orbited⁸ the moon.

Rios told NBC News that the group also supports local groups and other organizations involved in planning events surrounding the nation's 250th birthday.

Vocabulary

1 extend back remontent à • **2 established by law** créée par la loi • **3 representatives** membres de la Chambre des représentants • **4 the nonprofit arm** la branche à but non lucratif • **5 U.S. Treasurer** • **6 gatherings** rassemblements • **7 the nation's founding** la fondation de la nation • **8 orbited** a effectué une orbite autour de