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- Hurricane Helene Response: Acknowledgment of the hurricane's devastation and appreciation for the efforts of first responders and volunteers.
- Election Importance: Highlighting the urgency of the upcoming election, portraying it as a competitive race and urging collective action.
- Vision for the Future: Presenting a clear contrast between her vision for economic opportunities, healthcare access, and housing solutions versus her opponent's.
- Critique of Donald Trump: Highlighting the shortcomings of Trump's policies, particularly

regarding tax reforms, healthcare, and immigration.

- Mobilization Call: Encouraging attendees to participate in the electoral process, plan their votes, and recognize the power of their voices.

Kamala Harris 00:00:01
Good evening, Nevada.

Kamala Harris 00:00:08
Good evening. Good evening. Good evening.

Kamala Harris 00:00:31
Thank you. Thank you. Thank you, everyone. Thank you. Thank you.

Kamala Harris 00:00:38
And can we please hear from Captain Quintero?

Kamala Harris 00:00:45
Oh, thank you. Thank you, everyone. Oh, it is so wonderful to be back in Nevada. Thank you all. Thank you.

Kamala Harris 00:00:55
And happy hispanic heritage. Welcome to everyone.

Kamala Harris 00:01:02
Thank you. Thank you all. It's good to be back, and I want to thank everyone for all that you do. I know we have some extraordinary elected leaders here, and I want to thank them for their incredible work and friendship. It is good to be with all the leaders who are here, including Representative Suzie Lee, who is here, Stephen Horsford, Deena Titus, the great general Ford, Senator Catherine Cortez Masto, Senator Jackie Rosen, who we're going to send back to the United States Senate.

Kamala Harris 00:01:51
Thank you, everyone. And all the local leaders here. There are so many leaders here. It is good to be back with you.

Kamala Harris 00:02:02

Thank you. Thank you. Thank you. And wait a minute. We also tonight have here some of the Vegas raiders who won their game tonight.

Kamala Harris

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Oh, congratulations. You came right from the game. Congratulations.

Kamala Harris

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Give them applause. Right?

Kamala Harris

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Well done. Well done. So, uh, in all seriousness, everyone, um, before I begin, I want to say a few words about Hurricane Helene. And, uh, please have a seat if you're able. Um, I want to talk about hurricane Helene for a moment.

Kamala Harris

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And I know that everyone here sends their thoughts and prayers for the folks who have been so devastated by that hurricane and the ensuing events. Um, in Florida, in Georgia, Georgia, the Carolinas, and other impacted states. And we know that so many have been impacted, some have died. Um, but I want to thank everyone for doing everything you can to think about them. Send them your thoughts, send them your prayers.

Kamala Harris

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I want to thank the first responders who have done so much, um, stand with these communities for as long as it takes to make sure that they are able to recover and rebuild. Earlier today, I received an operational briefing from FEMA Director Chris well, more than 3300 federal personnel have been mobilized. We are deploying food, water, and generators and working to restore water and power.

Kamala Harris

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And the president and I have told state and local leaders we will provide whatever help they need in the days and weeks ahead. And so I thank you all for sending your best wishes to everyone there. Thank you.

Kamala Harris

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So, Las Vegas, we have 37 days until the election.

Kamala Harris

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37 days.

And we know this will be a tight race until the very end. And let's level set. We are the underdog. We are the underdog. And we have some hard work ahead.

Kamala Harris

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But here's the thing. We like hard work, hard work. Is good work. Hard work is good work.

Kamala Harris

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And with your help, we will win in November. Yes, we will. Yes, we will. Yes, we will. We will win.

Kamala Harris

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We will win.

Kamala Harris

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We will win.

Kamala Harris

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And here's why. And here's why. And here's why. Because we here know that this election is about two very different visions for our nation. And the contrast, I think, was quite clear in our debate.

Kamala Harris

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Did y'all see the debate?

Kamala Harris

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And in two days, I know we will cheer on coach walls when he debates date events.

Kamala Harris

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Yeah. Uh, listen, also, their debate should not be the last word. I'm trying to debate Donald Trump again, and I think he should debate again. The american people have a right to hear us, uh, discuss the issues. And as you say here in Las Vegas, I'm all in.

Kamala Harris

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I'm all in.

Kamala Harris

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Even if my opponent is ready to fold. So there you go. But you will remember, in our first

debate, I talked about issues like bringing down the cost of living, investing in small businesses, protecting reproductive freedom, and keeping our nation secure.

Kamala Harris

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But from Donald Trump? Well, it was the same old tired playbook. Same old tired playbook with no plan on how he would address the needs of the american people. Well, folks, it's time to turn the page.

Kamala Harris

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It's time to turn the page. America is ready to change. Chart a new way forward, ready for a new and optimistic generation of leadership.

Kamala Harris

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Which is why Democrats, Republicans, and independents are supporting our campaign. Because we know we need a president who works for all the american people.

Kamala Harris

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Enough of the division, enough of the hate. We are all in this together.

Kamala Harris

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And you all know, for my entire career, I've only had one client. The people. The people.

Kamala Harris

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From being a young courtroom prospector, prosecutor in Oakland, I stood up for women and children against predators. As attorney general of California, I took on the big banks and delivered \$20 billion from middle class families who faced foreclosure.

Kamala Harris

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I stood up for veterans and students being scammed by for profit colleges, for workers who were being cheated out of their way.

Kamala Harris

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And I pledge to you, as president, I will fight for all Americans. And together, we will build a brighter future for our nation.

Kamala Harris

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We will build a future that includes thinking about our economy in a way that it is about lifting everyone up. We will build what I call an opportunity economy so that every

american has an opportunity to own a home, to build wealth, to start a business.

Kamala Harris

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And let me tell you, I love our small businesses, of which I've met so many right here in Vegas.

Kamala Harris

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You know, growing up, our mother worked very long hours. And so my sister Maya and I would go over two doors down to Miss Shelton's house. She, we called her our second mother. And Miss Shelton was a small business owner. So I know since I was a young child, who our small businesses are, who are small business owners, are small businesses are the backbone of America's economy.

Kamala Harris

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I know that. I know that. And latina small business owners are the fastest growing segment of our economy.

Kamala Harris

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So my plan is about tapping into that ambition, those aspirations, those dreams, those incredible ideas, that strong work ethic that people have. Also understand that not everybody gets handed \$4 million on a silver platter and files for bankruptcy six times.

Kamala Harris

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So my plan is about saying, we've got to help entrepreneurship startups out. And I will give a \$50,000 tax deduction to help entrepreneurs start their small businesses, because right now, that tax deduction is \$5,000. Can nobody start a small business in 2024?

Kamala Harris

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So we're gonna, we're gonna make it something where it is doable to lift a folks up. We also need to build more housing in America.

Kamala Harris

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My mother saved up, um, for years, until I was a teenager when she was able to buy our first home. And right now, a serious housing shortage is part of what is driving up cost. So we will cut the red tape and work with the private sector to build 3 million new homes and, ah, provide first time home buyers with \$25,000 down payment assistance.

Kamala Harris

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So you can just get your foot in the door, you'll do the rest. And we must lower the cost of living, because while our economy is doing well, by many measures, prices for everyday things like groceries are still too high. You know it and I know it. So I have a plan that includes lowering costs on everything from healthcare to groceries, including, I will take on the corporate price gouging that we know has resulted in jacking prices up, often around tragedies and emergencies. We will give a tax cut to 100 million more Americans, including \$6,000 during the first year of a child's life.

Kamala Harris

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Knowing that the vast majority of our young parents have a natural desire to parent their children well, but not always the resources to do it. And that \$6,000 in extending and expanding the child tax credit will help. Buying a crib, buying a car seat, doing the things that are so critical in that first phase of life. I, uh, will also make sure good paying jobs are available to all Americans, not only those with college degrees, because we need to recognize the value of additional paths, such as apprenticeships and technical programs.

Kamala Harris

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And so, as president, part of how I'm going to push this forward is I will get rid of unnecessary degree requirements for federal jobs, understanding that having a college degree is not the only measure of the skills and experience of a worker.

Kamala Harris

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And when we do that with the federal workforce, I'm coming to ask the private sector challenge you to do the same.

Kamala Harris

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So all of this is to say, I will always put the middle class and working families first. I come from the middle class, and I will never forget where I come from.

Kamala Harris

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Never.

Kamala Harris

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Now, Donald Trump has a different plan.

Kamala Harris

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Just Google project 2025.

Which, I have to say, I still can't believe they put that thing in writing.

Kamala Harris

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They printed it up, they bound it, they handed it out.

Kamala Harris

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Just google it. It is a detailed and dangerous blueprint for what he would do if he were elected again as president. Donald, um, Trump will give billionaires and corporations massive tax cuts, again, cut Social Security and Medicare, and impose what I call a Trump sales tax, which would be a, uh, 20% tax on everyday basic necessities, which economists have measured would cost the average family nearly 4000 more dollars a year in everyday expenses.

Kamala Harris

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And on top of all this, Donald Trump intends to end the Affordable Care act.

Kamala Harris

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And he has no plan to replace it.

Kamala Harris

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He has concepts of a plan.

Kamala Harris

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Concepts.

Kamala Harris

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So here's the thing, though. We can laugh about, um, many things, but the consequences of this are quite serious. Quite serious. Because think about it. He's going to threaten health coverage and health insurance for 45 million people in our country, based on a concept, and take us back to when insurance companies could deny people with pre existing conditions.

Kamala Harris

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You remember what that was like?

Kamala Harris

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Well, we are not going back. We are not going back.

We're not going back.

Kamala Harris

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We. We will move forward and we will take on the biggest issues facing our nation. We have talked about the economy. We have talked about what we can do in terms of investing in the ambition, the aspirations of our country. We will take on the issue of immigration.

Kamala Harris

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We will take on a number of issues on the subject of immigration. We must have comprehensive immigration reform with strong border security and an earned pathway to citizenship. Citizenship, including for hard working immigrants who have been here for years. Including our dreamers.

Kamala Harris

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Including our dreamers. And I was attorney general of a border state. I prosecuted transnational criminal organizations who trafficked in guns, drugs and human beings. And as president, I will double the resources for the Department of Justice to go after those transnational cartels and take action to stop the flow of fentanyl coming into our country, which is destroying entire communities.

Kamala Harris

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These are serious problems. And we know Donald Trump won't solve them. When he was president, he did nothing to fix our immigration system.

Kamala Harris

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And earlier this year, we had a chance to pass the toughest bipartisan border security bill in decades. And Donald Trump tanked the bill because he thought that that bill, if passed, would have hurt him. And he prefer to run on a problem instead of fixing a problem. That's not the kind of president we want as president. He cruelly separated families and plans to do it again.

Kamala Harris

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And he continues to fan the flames of fear and division. Look, we need a president who cares more about solving problems than playing political games and demeaning people full time.

Kamala Harris

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We're tired of that. We're done with that.

So, Nevada, uh, ours is a fight for the future, and it is a fight for. For freedom, like the fundamental freedom of a woman to be able to make decisions about her own body and not have her government tell her what to do.

Kamala Harris

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And we remember how we got here. Donald Trump hand selected three members of the United States Supreme Court, the court of Thurgood and RBG, so that they would do as they did and overturn the protections of Roe v. Wade. And now, one in three women in America lives in a state with a Trump abortion ban, many with no exceptions, even for rape and incest. It is immoral.

Kamala Harris

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Immoral. And let us agree. One does not have to abandon their faith or deeply held beliefs to agree. The government shouldn't be telling her what to do.

Kamala Harris

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If she chooses, she will talk with her priest, her pastor, her rabbi, her imam, but not the government telling her what to do with her body. Come on.

Kamala Harris

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And with Jackie Rosen back in the United States Senate, when Congress passes a bill to restore reproductive freedom, as president of the United States, I will proudly sign it into law.

Kamala Harris

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And Nevada, uh, you know, traveling all over our country, across our nation, we are witnessing a full on assault on other hard fought, hard won freedoms and rights, like the freedom to vote, the freedom to join a union, the freedom to breathe clean air and drink clean water, the freedom to love who you love openly and with pride, and the freedom to be safe from gun violence, which, after the 1 October Nevada, proved that smart gun safety laws are just common sense.

Kamala Harris

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So, look, generations before us, generations of America led the fight for freedom. And the baton, well, it's now in our hands. It's now in our hands.

Kamala Harris

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And it all comes down to this. We are here together. You came out on a Sunday evening. We are here together because we know what is at stake. And we are here together

because we love our country.

Kamala Harris

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We love our country. We love our country.

Kamala Harris

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And I do believe.

Kamala Harris

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I do believe that one of the highest forms of patriotism that we could show is to then fight for the ideals of our country. That's what this is about. It is a fight to realize the promise of America.

Kamala Harris

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And I know the people of Nevada. You are battle born. You are battleborn. Yes, you are.

Kamala Harris

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And we are all ready for the work ahead. 37 days. 37 days.

Kamala Harris

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And here in Nevada, every voter will receive a ballot in the mail and in person. Early voting starts October 19.

Kamala Harris

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So now is the time to make your plan for how you are going to vote. Okay? And I'd ask you to start making your plan now for how you are going to vote. And if you choose to vote by mail, do not wait. Fill out your ballot, sign it and send it back right away.

Kamala Harris

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Okay? And tell your neighbors, because, folks, the election is here and we need to energize and organize and mobilize. And remember, your vote is your voice. Your voice is your power. Don't ever let anybody take your power from you.

Kamala Harris

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Never. Never. Don't let anybody silence you. Ever.

Kamala Harris

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So, Las Vegas. Vegas. Today I ask you, are you ready to make your voices heard?

Kamala Harris

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Do we believe in freedom? Do we believe in opportunity? Do we believe in the promise of America? And are we ready to fight for it? And when we fight, we win.

Kamala Harris

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God bless you and God bless the United States.