In Light of the Powerful Demonstrations Worldwide

As National Youth Poet Laureate Ambassadors and people of color, we acknowledge that racial terror, police brutality, and other forms of systemic injustice are not only pertinent to us today but have been historically prevalent within our personal, and transnational, experiences. Considering this, we find it imperative to be transparent in our stance: Black Lives Matter. As poets, creators, and as a community of intersectional artivists, it is our duty to center and protect Black people, especially during these trying times. “Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere.” We stand in solidarity with all who fight for the long-overdue liberation of the Black community in this moment and beyond.

We’ve put together a comprehensive guide of bail funds, relief funds, and community resources.

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A Guide of Resources and Bail Funds:

(Frequently Updated)

These are Black lead organizations the Minnesota Freedom Fund is redirecting support to:

Black Visions Collective
https://secure.everyaction.com/4omQDAR0oUiUagTu0EG-Ig2

Reclaim the Block:
https://secure.everyaction.com/zae4prEeKESHBy0MKXTIcQ2

North Star Health Collective:
https://www.northstarhealthcollective.org/donate

PHONE NUMBERS TO CALL FOR UNLAWFUL ARRESTS IN PROTESTING AREAS:

310-313-3700 - LA
210- 227-1515 - SATX
804-291-8520 - Richmond VA
783-346-6322 - NY
612-444-2654 - Minneapolis
404-689-1519 - ATL
484-758-0388 - Philadelphia
502-705-0081 - Louisville
919-769-2087 - Raleigh NC
210-858-7997 - San Antonio
Source:https://blacklivesmatters.carrd.co/#protesters

RESOURCE FOR PROTEST SAFETY AND LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR PROTESTERS:

Black Lives Matter Card: https://blacklivesmatters.carrd.co/#protesters

ProBono Lawyers:
https://mobile.twitter.com/riyakatariax/status/1266856139536207872

NAACP Legal Defense Fund:
https://www.naacpldf.org/about-us/

Black LGBTQIA+ Migrant Project:
https://transgenderlawcenter.org/programs/blmp

Know Your Rights Camp Legal Defense Initiative:
https://www.knowyourrightscamp.com/legal

Baltimore Legal Action Team:
https://baltimoreactionlegal.networkforgood.com/projects/60932-everyday-giving

PETITIONS:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1-0KC83vYfVQ-2freQveH43PWxuab2uWDEGolzrNoIks/mobilebasic#h.28ybn38q6jee
source: https://mobile.twitter.com/ambivaicnt/status/1265766835884081156

BAIL FUNDS FOR PROTESTORS BY CITY:

WEBSITE THAT SPLITS YOUR DONATION EQUALLY AMONG ACTIVE & REPUTABLE BAIL FUNDS:
https://secure.actblue.com/donate/bail_funds_george_floyd

Spreadsheet of reputable Bail Funds:
https://t.co/5adLOCSjyD?amp=1
source: Kara Jackson. Fridahalo.twitter.com IG:Fridahalo

FUNDRAISERS FOR LIVES TAKEN:

Support fund = relief for the families of those listed
Justice fund = legal costs relief
Memorial fund = costs for funerals, and memorial gatherings

Maurice Gordon:
Memorial and transport fund:
https://www.gofundme.com/f/justiceformaurice

Regis Korchinski-Paquet:
Justice and Memorial fund:
https://www.gofundme.com/f/justice-for-regis

David McAtee:
Justice Fund:
https://www.gofundme.com/f/justicefordavidmcatee

George Floyd:
Memorial Fund:

https://www.gofundme.com/f/georgefloyd

Kenneth Walker:
justice fund:
https://www.gofundme.com/f/legal-representation-for-kenneth-walker

Ahmaud Aubrey:
justice/support fund:
https://www.gofundme.com/f/i-run-with-maud

Roy Stoddart:
Support fund:
https://www.gofundme.com/f/5xd2ct-support-for-roy-stoddarts-family

Belly Mujinga:
Justice/support fund:
https://www.gofundme.com/f/rip-belly-mujinga

AJ sutton:
Memorial fund:
https://www.gofundme.com/f/rest-in-peace-aaron-quotajquot-sutton

James Scurlock:
Justice/memorial fund:
https://www.gofundme.com/f/for-james-scurlocks-family

Dion Johnson:
Justice fund:
https://www.gofundme.com/f/justice-for-dion-johnson

BLACK OWNED BUSINESS RELIEF FUND:

https://www.gofundme.com/f/black-owned-businesses-relief-fund?utm_source=customer&utm_medium=copy_link&utm_campaign=m_pd+share-sheet

BLACK LGBT+ FUNDS:

Homeless Black Trans Women Fund:
https://www.gofundme.com/f/homeless-black-trans-women-fund

Center for Black Equity:
https://centerforblackequity.org/

Miss Major's Fundraising Circle:
https://fundly.com/missmajor

Pay Black Trans Women:
https://mobile.twitter.com/payblktrnswomen

Help The Trans Women of Jamaica:
https://www.gofundme.com/f/save-the-gully-queens-of-jamaica

Marsha P. Johnson Institute:
https://marshap.org/

Groundswell Fund:
https://groundswellfund.org/black-trans-fund/

Google doc of more resources and funds:
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Mo2E-M9Bw57ndJrRVegxVhwhI11SWFNPQdQEFVyn02Q/mobilebasic

PLACES TO DONATE (MONEY AND SUPPLIES) IN THE MINNEAPOLIS & ST. PAUL AREAS AFFECTED BY THE PROTESTS:

Sanctuary Covenant Church:
collecting food and financial donations for families in need. Food items requested include: water, beef hot dogs (not pork), hot dog buns, hamburger patties, hamburger buns, ketchup, mustard and relish, paper plates, clementines, individual chip bags, individual snacks, napkins, hand sanitizers, grill utensils. They are also accepting financial donation
https://sanctuarycov.org/give

Pimento Kitchen:at 2524 Nicollet Ave., Minneapolis is a protest donation drop-off point. They are looking for water, milk, masks, gloves, medical supplies
https://mobile.twitter.com/pimentokitchen/status/1266108213398851585

We Love Lake Street:
is collecting monetary donations to help rebuild Lake Street's small businesses (which are largely owned by poc and immigrants) and community organizations. The effort is being organized by the nonprofit, Lake Street Council.
https://www.welovelakestreet.com/

The Neighbors United Funding Collaborative:
a nonprofit fundraiser helping the Midway/Hamline Coalition, is helping the Midway + Union Park small business and nonprofit community rebuild the storefronts and repair the businesses in need.
https://www.givemn.org/story/Nufc

Comprehensive Resource Center for Minneapolis protesters:
https://docs.google.com/document/u/0/d/1KTBHcXuAUoa-ZevN1-Jq6LYpkmJWhwiJRBhLKRTU0AU/mobilebasic#

source: singinginthecar.tumblr.com (thank you for these resources and info)

THREAD OF MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES FOR BLACK PEOPLE:

https://mobile.twitter.com/mayarichardsun/status/1265676677549559809

NECESSITIES FOR PROTESTORS:
Below is a link to a thorough list of necessities for those who choose to participate in protests. A few edits to this list:

- For the sake of your personal safety & privacy, it is best to use end-to-end encrypted text messaging in order to communicate with others while participating in a protest. An app called Signal is useful for this!
- Remember that it is always safest to protest alongside a familiar face or two.
- It may be within your best interest to not have your ID on your body whilst protesting. You are not required to ID yourself when arrested. **You have the right to remain silent**. It is safest to not give away your private information by offering your ID to the police.
- Do not wear or carry anything easily identifiable (clothes/hats/shoes/bags that have logos, patterns, bright colors, labels, etc). Bring a change of clothes for when you leave the protest.

https://matadornetwork.com/goods/essential-packing-list-for-protesters/?amp