BLACK LIVES MATTER RESOURCE DOCUMENT

Thank you to Bay Area artist Leigh Rondon-Davis and SFNF ensemble members Clare Palmer & Topher Lin for contributing links & resources.

We are not the experts, and we encourage folks to do the work to find and listen to Black leaders and anti-racism organizations in finding more methods for support.

IF YOU HAVE MONEY

READINGS for both White and non-Black POC community members

ACTIONS for both White and non-Black POC community members

IF YOU'RE IN THE STREETS

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Donate to support activism in Minneapolis

- Reclaim the Block: https://secure.everyaction.com/zae4prEeKESHBy0MKXTIcQ2
- Black Visions Collective: https://secure.everyaction.com/4omQDAR0oUiUagTu0EG-Ig2
- The George Floyd Memorial Fund: https://www.gofundme.com/f/georgefloyd

Donate to support anti-police-violence and anti-incarceration measures

- National Bailout: http://nationalbailout.org/
- Campaign Zero: https://www.joincampaignzero.org/
- Find a bail-out fund in your area: https://www.communityjusticeexchange.org/nbfn-directory

Donate to organizations that support and advocate for Black trans, intersex, and gender non-conforming folks

- FOR THE GWORLS: MEDICAL FUND
- The Marsha P. Johnson Institute
- Homeless Black Trans women fund
- SNaP Co: Solutions not Punishment Collaborative
- Black Trans Media
- Black Transmen
- Kween Culture Initiative
- Morris Home
- The Okra Project
- GLITS: Gays & Lesbians Living In a Transgender Society
- BFTA: Black Trans Femmes in the Arts
- Black Trans Protestors Emergency Fund

READINGS for both White and non-Black POC community members

- Learn tools for allyship: https://www.refinery29.com/en-us/2020/05/9841649/allyship-ahmaud-arbery-george-floyd
- Read “For Our White Friends Desiring to be Allies”: https://sojo.net/articles/our-white-friends-desiring-be-allies
- Refer to the Antiracism Allyship Starter Pack: https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1bUJrgX8vspyy7YttiEC2vD0DawrpPYiZs94V0ov7qZQ/htmlview?urp=gmail_link
- 6 Ways Asian Americans Can Tackle Anti-Black Racism in Their Families: https://everydayfeminism.com/2016/01/asian-americans-tackle-anti-black-racism

ACTIONS for both White and non-Black POC community members

- Sign the Justice for Breonna Taylor petition: https://act.colorofchange.org/sign/justiceforbre-breonna-taylor-officers-fired
- Join your local chapter of Showing Up for Racial Justice (SURJ): https://www.showingupforracialjustice.org/
- Follow the Anti Police-Terror Project for information on how communities can push back against militaristic policing: http://www.antipoliceterrorproject.org/current-campaigns-1
- Write a letter to your family about why Black lives matter. The following website collects letter templates for different racial/ethnic communities: https://lettersforblacklives.com/
    - An open letter from Latinx to our families: https://lettersforblacklives.com/an-open-letter-from-latinxs-to-our-families-72bd91ca43ca
    - For Asian people with immigrant parents: https://lettersforblacklives.com/dear-mom-dad-uncle-auntie-black-lives-matter-to-us-too-7ca577d59f4c
- 20+ Allyship Actions for Asians to Show Up for the Black Community Right Now: https://medium.com/awaken-blog/20-allyship-actions-for-asians-to-show-up-for-the-black-community-right-now-464e5689cf3e

IF YOU'RE IN THE STREETS

- Protesting safely during COVID : https://docs.google.com/document/d/1o1VSvdRvQYr-5puhJHfQx7vh3mza64P02Mbs1yE6oPQ/edit#heading=h.gu2nzabl2wr3

- Read up on how to keep at-risk communities safer from COVID-19 spread while protesting: https://www.vice.com/en_us/article/akzg94/how-to-protest-safely-during-the-covid-19-pandemic
- Learn how to safely and ethically film police misconduct: https://www.teenvogue.com/story/how-to-film-police-safely

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RESOURCES FROM OUR NEWSLETTER

Every week, we include additional community-minded actions in our email blast. Below is an ongoing, growing list of causes we included in the newsletter:

Black-focused groups:

- **Read & Share the labor and employment guide for Black workers**: Looking for a handy tool to worker's rights for Black folks? Legal Aid at Work and the LA Black Worker Center have collaborated on a digital zine that covers everything you need to know to protect Black worker rights including disability rights, trans rights, and rights for Black parents. Read it here.
- **Community Ready Corps (CRC)**: When nooses showed up around Lake Merritt in mid-June, CRC mobilized to provide community patrols in support of Black and brown communities. You can support their work here.
- **People's Breakfast Oakland**: This is a grassroots Black socialist organization that works most closely with unhoused members of our community. They have also recently provided COVID-19 testing for Oakland residents, prioritizing houseless individuals. Support their work here.
- **Ella Baker Center**: EBC organizes with "Black, Brown, and low-income people to shift resources away from prisons and punishment, and towards opportunities that make our communities safe, healthy, and strong." They are currently organizing around supporting incarcerated people at San Quentin in the wake of the COVID-19 outbreak in the prison. Learn more about their work here
- **Support the Oakland Workers Fund**: This fund supports Oakland food service workers and is additionally working to create a safety network for BIPOC folks in Oakland. Learn more about their work and donate here.
- **Voix Noire**: If you're looking to support an organization that truly does it all in support of Black folks, Voix Noire is the place to start. They have delivered clean water to Flint residents, bought out theatres for screenings of movies with Black leads, and collected money to distribute as reparations. Learn more and donate here.
- **Support the creators of the Bay Area Living Document**: In June, a number of BIPOC theatre artists in the Bay outlined examples of the systemic oppression in Bay Area Theatres. Help compensate them for their work and learn more about the project here
- **Donate to the Nation Bail Out Fund**: From their website: "The National Bail Out collective is a Black-led and Black-centered collective of abolitionist organizers, lawyers

and activists building a community-based movement to support our folks and end systems of pretrial detention and ultimately mass incarceration." Support their work here.
- **Are you Black, queer, and in need of groceries in the Bay Area?** Black and Queer Groceries provided contactless grocery drop-off to folks in the Bay Area. If you are Black and queer, you can sign up to receive groceries here. Others can support their work by sending money via Venmo or Cashapp to BlackQueerGroceries

Support for Trans folks, including BIPOC trans folks:

- **Black Trans Femmes in the Arts**: BTFA is a collective of Black trans femmes dedicated to creating space for themselves in the arts and beyond. Follow their work here.
- **Trans Needle Exchange**: This group provides trans folks with clean needles for hormone injections. Find more information here.
- **For the Gworls**: This organization raises money to assist w/ Black trans folks' rent & affirmative surgeries.Find a list of ways to provide support here.
- **Marsha P. Johnson Institute**: From their website: "The Marsha P. Johnson Institute (MPJI) protects and defends the human rights of BLACK transgender people. We do this by organizing, advocating, creating an intentional community to heal, developing transformative leadership, and promoting our collective power." Learn more and donate here.
- **The Okra Project**: You may have already heard about the Okra Project, and it's not a surprise why: they deliver cooked, healthy, and culturally specific food to Black Trans folks. Support their work and help feed the Black trans community here
- **Black Trans Travel Fund**: The Black Trans Travel Fund is "a mutual-aid project developed in order to help provide Black transgender women with the financial resources needed to be able to self-determine safer alternatives to travel, where women feel less likely to experience verbal harassment or physical harm." Learn more about their work here
- **G.L.I.T.S. ("Gays and Lesbians Living In a Transgender Society")**: G.L.I.T.S. supports transgender sex workers by "holistically using harm reduction, human rights principles, economic and social justice, along with a commitment to empowerment and pride in finding solutions from our own community." Support their work here
- **Support Solutions Not Punishment Collaborative ("SNaPCo")**: From their website: "Solutions Not Punishment Collaborative is a Black Trans and Queer led organization that builds safety within out community, investing in our collective embodied leadership, and building political power." Learn more and donate here.
- **The Transgender District**: From their website: "The mission of the Transgender District is to create an urban environment that fosters the rich history, culture, legacy, and empowerment of transgender people and its deep roots in the southeastern Tenderloin neighborhood. The transgender district aims to stabilize and economically empower the transgender community through ownership of homes, businesses, historic and cultural sites, and safe community spaces." The Transgender District includes our performance home, PianoFight, and we couldn't be more proud of our neighbors and peers. Support their work here.

- **Donate to VisibiliT**: VisibiliT is a fundraising platform working to financially empower trans asylum seekers and migrants in the Bay Area. Donating to their Rapid Response During COVID fundraiser helps support trans community members who have lost housing and/or employment since the start of the pandemic. Learn more and donate here.

Support for unhoused community members in the Bay Area:

- **Donate food and water to your local community fridge**: If you live in the Bay, you may already know about community refrigerators that have cropped up to support food-insecure community members. Due to the fires and heat, donations of water are especially important. You can learn about community fridge locations on the Town Fridge Instagram here [instagram.com/townfridge] or learn how to support community fridges here
- **Donate to Mask Oakland**: Due to the wildfires, the air quality around the Bay is often at unhealthy levels. Mask Oakland buys particulate masks and distributes them to unhoused members of the East Bay community. Support their work here.
- **Support housing for currently unhoused elders**: Donate to the Hotels not Graves GoFundMe in order to move vulnerable unhoused populations into hotel rooms. Learn more and donate here.

Support for Indiginous peoples:

- **Sogorea Te' Land Trust**: The Sogorea Te' Land Trust runs the Shuumi Land Tax, which is “a voluntary annual financial contribution that non-Indigenous people living on traditional Chochenyo and Karkin Ohlone territory make to support the critical work of the Sogorea Te’ Land Trust.” If you live in the Bay Area, you are encouraged to pay the land tax annually here
- **Support the Navajo Nation**: The Navajo Nation is disproportionately affected by COVID-19. Support the nation directly by donating to the Official Navajo Nation COVID-19 relief fund here

Support for incarcerated populations:

- **Become a Flying Over Walls letter writer**: Flying Over Walls is the SF Bay Area chapter of Black & Pink, a national organization dedicated to supporting incarcerated people, and particularly incarcerated members of the LGBTQIA+ community. Flying Over Walls organizes birthday cards, penpal relationships, and support letters to folks held in Bay Area prisons. Get on their mailing list

Other community support:

- **Volunteer for OUSD meal distribution**: If you’re in the East Bay, the Oakland Unified School District (OUSD) is looking for volunteers to distribute meals to OUSD families at school pick-up sites. Email volunteerteam@ousd.org to hear about upcoming volunteer opportunities.

- **Support the Prelinger Library**: The Prelinger Library is a Bay Area institution, providing free scholarly resources for artists, researchers, and activists. The Library collects materials documenting BIPOC struggles, gender, the environment, U.S. political schisms, the Borderlands and immigration, as well as other materials so many of you have used: regional histories, media, landscape studies, art, technology, housing and cities, advertising, maps and more. Learn more about the Library and donate to support their work.