Quotes (both from panelists & other abolitionists, all shared during the panel):

“Does it take away money from the PIC? Does it take away power from the PIC? Does it challenge the notion that police and prisons keep us safe? Does it reduce the scale of policing?” (questions a panelist brought up, come from our Abolitionist Reforms vs. Reformist Reforms poster: https://static1.squarespace.com/static/59ead8f9692ebee25b72f17f/t/)

“Transformative justice is survivor-centered though not necessarily survivor-led” (from panel)

“This is why it is critical that transformative justice (TJ) is not simply the absence of the state and violence, but the presence of the values, practices, relationships and world that we want. It is not only identifying what we don’t want, but proactively practicing and putting in place things we want, such as healthy relationships, good communication skills, skills to de-escalate active or “live” harm and violence in the moment, learning how to express our anger in ways that are not destructive, incorporating healing into our everyday lives.” - By Mia Mingus
https://transformharm.org/transformative-justice-a-brief-description/

“abolition as a process not a destination”

"the bedrock of abolition is changing conditions and addressing root causes of harm" - (from panel)

I’m reminded of Kat Brooks who says - “all violence is state violence”

“Radical commitment to community care and practices of community accountability” (from panel)

"Abolition is experimental." (from panel)

“Getting people to see the ways they are already working to keep themselves and their communities safe” (from panel)

“Showing up with patience, and understanding that there are ways that folks are already keeping each other safe” (from panel)

“Not acting like people aren’t ready for abolition” (from panel)

“We are mandated to make abolition make sense across all sectors of the work“ (from panel)

In a different learning space this week, I heard the following quote about urgency and it’s resonated; sharing in case it also offers some space for folks: “Things are so urgent right now, that we must slow down. We simply don’t have time [given climate change] to do it over again.” (sent from someone in chat)

embodying abolition > not just advocating for it

“The work will always be there.” (from panel)

“Think through what you need before you need it.” (from panelist, on care/self-care)

Orgs & Campaigns;

BYP100 Detroit and Green Light Black Futures!
Black Organizing Project (BOP), who are running a 10-year old campaign to get cops out of schools: http://blackorganizingproject.org/

IDOC Watch in Indiana (indy, south bend, bloomington)

survived and punished! no detention centers in michigan and the michigan and prisoner solidarity (MAPS)!

Black & Pink (has many chapters throughout the US) https://www.blackandpink.org/

Chicago- Everyday practice of alternatives to carceral & medical institutions, community self determined care. " We get up and active because we know we can't depend on hospitals that refuse to open trauma centers, or medical centers with slow emergency response times. We are the ones we've been waiting for and we're much more wise and powerful than we often think we are."https://umedics.org/ Community care - alternatives to carceral & medical institutions.

Bay Area Transformative Justice Collective: https://batjc.wordpress.com

Detroit Safety Team does pod mapping too for anyone in Detroit!

http://transformharm.org/

East Point Peace Academy: https://www.eastpointpeace.org

Spring Up: http://www.timetospringup.org/

Solutions not Punishment https://www.snap4freedom.org/home

http://www.tgijp.org/

The Red Nation in partnership with the Arab Resource & Organizing Center (AROC) and the Center for Political Education is hosting a series of critical conversations on settler colonialism, US imperialism, and decolonization. The COVID-19 pandemic is global, and so our response to it must also be global. Friday Night Forums feature anti-imperialist perspectives and lessons on organizing from around the world, with an eye toward decolonizing Turtle Island.

Stop the Injunctions: https://stoptheinjunction.wordpress.com/research/

No New SF Jail and Shut Down 850 Bryant: https://nonewsfjail.org/

CURB (Californians United for a Responsible Budget), good resource for people in the Central Valley in CA: http://www.curbprisonspending.org/

Anti Police Terror Project (APTP): https://www.antipoliceterrorproject.org/

Law 4 Black Lives: http://www.law4blacklives.org/

Jewish Voice for Peace, Deadly Exchange campaign: https://deadlyexchange.org/

Cuomo Let Them Go! Campaign to free people from prison: https://cuomoletthemgo.com/

Oakland Power Projects: https://oaklandpowerprojects.org/

Videos;

For audio + transcripts of people responding to harm & violence without police I love to lift up the Storytelling & Organizing Project: www.stopviolenceeveryday.org

Miski Noor with Trevor Noah https://youtu.be/LgoznlN6RMI

Abolitionist Teaching in a Global Pandemic.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9azT7_AyDQ4

reminds me of this convo: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U-_BOFz5TXo

Abolition and COVID-19 w/ Mohamed Shehk, Emmy Rakete & Ruth Wilson Gilmore
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-lzG9Do5a6E

Webinar: COMMUNITY, Not Cops: Abolitionist organizing against police in schools
https://www.eventbrite.com/e/community-not-cops-abolitionist-organizing-against-police-in-schools-tickets-108799773050

Toolkits;

Creative Interventions toolkit, On Accountability and how not to rely on the cops to address interpersonal harm: http://www.creative-interventions.org/tools/toolkit/

Also if people want to dig more into something that breaks down some of the key questions/processes that come with practicing community accountability (tho I wouldn't necessarily say you should dive into facilitating a process solo after reading) check out "Fumbling Towards Repair - A Workbook for Community Accountability Facilitators" by Mariame Kaba & Shira Hassan. Super easy read & helps us to assess the conditions upon which harm was created, and how folks can be supported to be accountable, heal & transform.

This is our intro resource to building TJ skills that just came out
http://www.timetospringup.org/books/transformative-justice-zine-5-pack

CR's Abolitionist Toolkit, FAQ's section
http://criticalresistance.org/resources/the-abolitionist-toolkit/

Written pieces (online and print);

Another resource on the pitfalls of reforms: https://static1.squarespace.com/static/5a92f54baf209610a9b49b30/t/5c4a29babba2234e2a135e40/1548364219323/Challenges+and+Pitfalls+of+Reforms+-+Oct+29+2018+-+11-45+AM.pdf

Problems with Community Control of Police and Civilian Review Boards: https://drive.google.com/file/d/12q4eWZQzwIj-EFrLUU2XbnLipKnXIuxG/view

More on Transformative Justice : https://transformharm.org/transformative-justice-a-brief-description/

"... a way of practicing alternative justice which acknowledges individual experiences and identities and works to actively resist the state's criminal injustice system." from https://niastories.files.wordpress.com/2013/08/tjcurriculum_design_small-finalrev.pdf

More resources on TJ in this resource list put together by Cory! https://docs.google.com/document/d/11D8HSm4q4LIMH_T8b3W8oFIZxMgvPYkUh0WhC5XlgCU/edit

https://www.akpress.org/beyond-survival.html in Beyond Survival, Leah Lakshmi Piepzna-Samarasinha has a chapter on disability justice and the coloniality of time.

Mia/BATJ's Pod 101 skillshare actually had a good chunk dedicated to thinking about safety for children. As someone who has thought a lot about pods, I was super grateful to that team to be able to join because I have not been in enough circles discussing pod creation centered on the safety of youth/children/toddlers etc. (sent from attendee in chat)

Dean Spade on Burnout: https://www.deanspade.net/2019/09/25/burnout-what-it-is-and-some-ways-to-address-it-in-ourselves-and-in-organizations/

Critical Resistance Abolish Policing page: http://criticalresistance.org/abolish-policing/

Abolition is international, statements on anti-imperialism and Palestinian solidarity: http://criticalresistance.org/on-palestinian-prisoners-day-delegation-affirms-solidarity-with-palestinian-people/

http://criticalresistance.org/free-them-all-political-prisoners-anti-imperialist-resistance/

How to Grow Abolition on Your Campus, written by CR Abolitionist Educators: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1TD8k_YAnel3TprDxymkHo9pzGPOCR4PO/view

Critical Resistance and INCITE! Women of Color Against Violence statement: http://criticalresistance.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/05/CR-Incite-Statement-2008.pd

People First! Report by Critical Resistance for Stop Urban Shield, on responding to emergencies without policing: http://stopurbanshield.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/CR-SUS-DRAFT-v3.pdf

Radical public health policy naming "Law Enforcement is a Public Health Issue" with 10 recommendations for diminishing the negative impact of policing on health. For social workers, health workers and other public health-related workers: https://www.endingpoliceviolence.com/

Great resource for understanding what "community policing" is and what is wrong with it is the anthology Policing the Planet which is currently offered as a free e-book at the Verso Press website. https://www.versobooks.com/books/2107-policing-the-planet

All Our Trials: Prisons, Policing, and the Feminist Fight to End Violence by Em Thuma, On why domestic violence crisis centers are entangled with police, A grassroots history of resistance to gender violence and the carceral state: https://www.press.uillinois.edu/books/catalog/68zcs2nd9780252042331.html

Health Rights Are Civil Rights: Peace and Justice Activism in Los Angeles, 1963–1978

By Jenna Loyd (CR member):

https://www.upress.umn.edu/book-division/books/health-rights-are-civil-rights

Take action:

Tell the AFL-CIO to stop representing police unions: https://actionnetwork.org/petitions/afl-cio-stop-representing-cops