



RACIAL JUSTICE RISING

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Resources for Racial Justice

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Our occasional e-newsletter, usually published once or twice a month, with links to events, articles, videos, websites, & more relating to racism & racial justice.

Racial Justice Rising's activities:

~ PLEASE JOIN US AS WE RESUME OUR MONTHLY PROGRAM SERIES ~

Saturday, September 10, 10:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. (doors open at 9:45)

LOCAL SPEAK-OUT:

A SPEAK-OUT ON ISSUES OF VIOLENCE & RACISM

Recent escalating violence on Black people and Black organizations, local hate-based occurrences, and how do we deal with the distress of these times?
What can White allies do to help

LOCAL SPEAK-OUT

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 10
10:15-12:15 (doors 9:45)

First Congregational Church
43 Silver Street, Greenfield
FREE, All Welcome

To reserve free child care, contact email@racialjusticerising.org with number and ages of children. Coffee and tea will be available.

THE FACILITATORS:
Gloria Matlock and Keyedrya Jacobs will create a safe space for all participants to share their experiences, an opportunity for those targeted by racism to share what they need from potential white allies, and an opportunity to talk about the impact of these disturbing and unacceptable racist incidents.

MANY THANKS TO THE FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF GREENFIELD
This program is supported in part by grants from the Ambrose, Remondino, Guadagni, Cleveland, Old Laverett, Montague, Northfield, Orange, Shelburne, and Townsend Cultural Councils, their agencies which are supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.

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Facilitated by Gloria Matlock and Keyedrya Jacobs

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FREE

First Congregational Church of Greenfield, 43 Silver Street, Greenfield MA 01301

Free childcare. Please [RSVP](#) with number of ages of children

For more info: email@racialjusticerising.org or www.racialjusticerising.org

See videos of our programs and more on Racial Justice Rising's [YouTube channel](#).



VIGIL FOR RACIAL JUSTICE
Every Saturday morning 9-10 a.m.
Greenfield Town Common
~ Please join us ~

Cosponsored by Racial Justice Rising
and the Visioning B.E.A.R. Circle Intertribal
Coalition

Racial Justice Rising & Not In Our Town (NIOT)

will be walking in

The Franklin County Fair Parade

Thursday afternoon, September 8th

to share the message: **NO PLACE FOR HATE**

(NIOT is a new group committed to preventing and addressing hate crimes in
Greenfield.)

We need to know how many will be walking.
If you want to join us, email cletson@crocker.com

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Articles, websites, and other resources

African Americans, Black Lives Matter

- [Georgetown University to offer slave descendents preferential admission status](#), by Kathryn Vasel at CNN
- ["I have a black son in Baltimore"](#), by Rachel Swarns at the New York Times
- [What the world needs to know about Black Lives Matter](#), a video from HuffPost Black Voices
- [How fugitive slaves kept their freedom deep in the swamps](#), by Richard Grant at the Smithsonian
- [Is the national anthem racist?](#) a video from AJ+

Criminal Justice and Injustice

- [Court costs entrap nonwhite, poor juvenile offenders](#), by Erik Eckholm at the New York Times

Indigenous Lives/Environmental Racism

- [Historic resistance to Dakota pipeline](#), from White Wolf Pack
- [Life in the Native American oil protest camps](#), from BBC News

Latino Lives

- [Blackness and racial identity in Peru](#), a video from The United States of Africa

Muslim Lives

- [What to do when you see Islamophobia](#), by a graphic narrative by Maeril at

Buzzfeed

- [A guide for white people on the "burkini" ban](#), from Feministing

White Privilege/White Antiracism

- [Deconstructing White Privilege](#), a video with Dr. Robin Di Angelo
- [White woman sues over sperm from black donor](#), by Kaylen Tanner at Rare

Other groups' events:

- **Thursday, Sept. 8, Amherst MA:** [You Can Help Stop the Violence Against Young Black Men](#), video and talk, then forming workgroups. Organized by Coming Together.
- **Friday, Sept. 9, Amherst MA:** [Inside/Out. the Politics of Social Change. A Panel Discussion on Mass Incarceration](#), part of a year-long series on mass incarceration
- **Friday, Sept. 9, Springfield MA:** [Neighborhood BBQ](#) with [Gardening the Community](#), a Black-led food justice and youth leadership organization.
- **Friday, Sept. 9, online:** [Online seminar about the history of the Original Rainbow Coalition](#), multi-racial poor people organizing in Chicago and beyond, and its lessons for today. With James Tracy and the Kairos Center.
- **Tuesday, Sept. 13, Amherst MA:** [Ta-Nehisi Coates speaks at Amherst College](#). Free, but you need to request a ticket in advance.
- **Thursday, Sept. 15, online:** [Healing from toxic whiteness to better fight for racial justice](#), a free interactive online workshop from Feministing
- **Thursday, Sept. 22, Amherst MA:** [Artists With A Conscience: Artist-Activist Night](#) with the Peace Development Fund
- **October 14-16, Boston MA:** [Momentum Training by Ayni](#). "We give progressive organizers the tools and frameworks to build massive, decentralized social movements."
- **November 10-12, Atlanta GA:** [Facing Race. A National Conversation: Our Stories, Our Solutions](#), organized by Race Forward.
- **November 16-20, Newark NJ:** [Racial Healing and Collaboration for Black Empowerment: State of the Black World Conference IV](#).

The members of Racial Justice Rising are ordinary people who are troubled by the persistent racism that plagues this country. Believing that the damage caused by racism must be repaired before our society can be whole, we work for just and respectful treatment for all. We share a vision of a multi-racial, multi-cultural, multi-lingual, and multi-faith community.

Our mission is to:

- *Help build the movement for racial justice by contributing to a deeper understanding of systemic racism and racial justice.*
- *Engage in restorative activities that help to heal the racial divide and bring justice for people targeted by racism.*

While much of our work is focused in our local area, Franklin County, MA, we reach out to and are connected with the broader movements in our region and the nation.

Thank you, readers who send us information for these newsletters! We welcome links to articles, videos, event listings, and other resources.

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