



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:

Racial Justice In The Courts: Does It Exist?

Saturday, April 1, 10:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.
FREE!

Join Racial Justice Rising and Attorney Buz Eisenberg for a presentation on the racial inequities of our criminal justice system. Attorney Eisenberg is well known for his work with prisoners at Guantanamo Bay and his courses on law and government at GCC, as well as his local law practice.

[Click here to learn more](#)



Racial Justice in the Courts: Does it exist?

Free Racial Justice Rising program with Attorney Buz Eisenberg

April 1, 2017, 10:15 to 12:15, doors open at 9:45
First Congregational Church, 43 Silver Street, Greenfield

Racial Justice Rising invites you to join Ashfield Attorney Buz Eisenberg for a presentation on the racial inequities of our criminal legal system.

Attorney Eisenberg has practiced law in the region for over 3 decades and has handled a variety of criminal, civil and civil rights cases. He has taught courses in Law and Government at GCC for 16 years and is well known for his work getting eight Guantanamo prisoners, many of whom who were being held without charges, released.

Light refreshments

Childcare is available — RSVP with number & ages of children:
email@racialjusticerising.org
Donations most welcome



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For more information:

www.racialjusticerising.org email@racialjusticerising.org

Our free monthly programs are held at the First Congregational Church of Greenfield, 43 Silver Street, almost always on the first Saturday morning of the month.

Free snacks and childcare. For more info: email@racialjusticerising.org or www.racialjusticerising.org

Learn about some of our past programs [here](#)

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



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Articles, websites, and other resources

African American

- [The Good, Racist People](#), by Ta-Nehisi Coates in the New York Times
- [Welcome to the America Black People Have Always Lived In](#), by Michael Harriot at The Root
- [The Loud Silence When Trans Women Of Color Are Killed](#), from Black Lives Matter
- [28 Organizations That Empower Black Communities](#), by Zahara Hill at Huffington Post

Criminal Justice & Injustice

- [When Bail Is Out Of Defendant's Reach, Other Costs Mount](#), by Shaila Dewan in the New York Times
- [Michelle Alexander: White Men Get Rich from Legal Pot, Black Men Stay In Prison](#), by April M. Short at Alternet
- [Locking Up Our Own. Crime and Punishment in Black America](#), by James Forman, Jr.

Immigration/Sanctuary

- [If Immigration Agents Show Up At Your Door](#), a poster from ACLU of Northern California
- [Important Information for Immigrants and Allies](#), from the Center for New Americans in western MA
- [When A Father Of 4 Is Detained By ICE While Dropping His Daughters Off At School](#), by Julia Wick at LAist
- [Don't Get Your Undocumented Friends In Trouble: A How-To](#), by Felicia Jarvis at the Daily Demand
- [Black People Need Sanctuary Cities Too](#), by Janáe Bonsu at Essence

Standing Rock

- [Native Nations Rise March: A Powerful Uprising for Indigenous Rights](#), by Renae Ditmer at Indian Country Media Network
- [National Museum of the American Indian Forces Native American Women To Remove Water Is Life Flag](#), by Meko Haze at the Daily Haze
- [Indigenous Waters](#), a website advocating the inherent human right to water and the protection of Indigenous Peoples' environmental rights. Water is life.
- [Native Girls Rise: How A New Generation of Native Women Are Standing Up and Fighting Back](#), by Collen Curry at Global Citizen

and a poem by Sherman Alexie

- [Autopsy: A New Poem](#)

Other groups' events:

- **March 17-18, Palm Beach FL:** [Black Women Rise Conference](#), a 2-day multigenerational, multiracial gathering with keynote speaker Dr. Angela Davis
- **Saturday, March 25, Greenfield MA:** Welcome The Neighbors Candlelight Vigil, 7-8 p.m., Greenfield Common. "In the spirit of standing for humane values, we celebrate our power to care. What Do You Care About? What Do You Hold Dear? We will come together at the Vigil in welcome and song, with Kindred Spirit. Children are welcome. Come Warm The Night With Heart and Light."
- **Saturday, March 25, Stamford CT:** [What White People Can Do About Racism, Fundamentals Part 2](#). Separate link for [registration](#).
- **Tuesday, April 4, Great Barrington MA:** Patrice O'Neill, founder of Not in our Town, 7 PM at the Mahaiwe Theatre. The organizer, [Multicultural BRIDGE](#), also has classes, action groups and more throughout the month in Berkshire County MA.
- **Friday, April 14, Cambridge MA:** [The Color of Culture](#) with Tiffany Taylor Smith and Debbie Irving, register by April 3.
- **April 19-21, Springfield MA:** Undoing Racism for Youth & Adults Working With Youth. [For more info](#).
- **April 28-30, Kansas City MO:** [White Privilege Conference](#)
- **Thursday, May 11, Livingston NJ:** [The Color of Culture](#) with Tiffany Taylor Smith and Debbie Irving
- **Saturday, May 13, Greenfield MA:** All Souls UU Church's annual Antiracism Film Festival - save the date!
- **Through September 2017, North Adams MA:** [Mass MOCA Exhibit Wants You To Do More Than Just Talk About Race and Violence](#)

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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