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](#)

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](#)*

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**VIGIL FOR RACIAL JUSTICE**

Every Saturday morning

9-10 a.m.

Greenfield

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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.
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

**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**
- 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'Neil, 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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