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(an imperfect) Antiracism Workflow

- 1. Change your heart. Position yourself as a learner. Not an opinion sharer.
- 2. Explore your unconscious biases. There are online tests to help you get started.
- 3. Strive to work against the impact of your personal unconscious biases in your everyday environments.
- 4. Research structural racism and how it impacts people of color in various "social locations" in our society.
- 5. Speak up when you see injustices. Lean on the voices of the oppressed. Not just your own.
- 6. Begin conversations with family and friends to start them on steps 1-5.
- 7. Evaluate your ability to impact a particular system based on your personal/professional affiliations/location.
- 8. ACTIVELY work against inequality and promote equity in your places of power.
- 9. Pick one or more causes that tug at your heartstrings.
- 10. Research the potential solutions that activists and politicians are proposing.
- 11. Research what people from the target communities feel about these solutions.
- 12. Research what people at the intersections of these communities feel about these solutions (Black women, trans folx, people with disabilities, etc.)
- 13. Advocate with, donate to and/or volunteer with organizations that are committed to advancing good solutions.
- 14. Repeat steps 1-13 until EVERYONE is liberated.

Readings Toward Antiracism

Stamped from the Beginning: The Definitive History of Racist Ideas in America

• Ibram X. Kendi

Bind Us Apart: How Enlightened Americans Invented Racial Segregation

Nicholas Guyatt

Racial Formation in the United States

Michael Omi & Howard Winant

White by Law: The Legal Construction of Race

Ian Haney Lopez

The Alchemy of Race & Rights

• Patricia J. Williams

Color of Law: A Forgotten History of How Our Government Segregated America

• Richard Rothstein

The New Jim Crow

• Michelle Alexander

The Racial Contract

Charles W. Mills

Racecraft: The Soul of Inequality in American Life

• Karen E. Fields & Barbara J. Fields

The History of Black Women in the United States

Daina Ramey Berry & Kali Nicole Gross

Women, Race, & Class

Angela Y. Davis

Eloquent Rage: A Black Feminist Discovers Her Superpower

Brittany Cooper

Black Skin, White Masks

Frantz Fanon

What Does it Mean to Be White?

Robin DiAngelo

White Awake: An Honest Look at What it Means to Be White

Daniel Hill

How to Be an Anti-racist

• Ibram X. Kendi

The Myth of Equality

Ken Wytsma

Racism Without Racists

• Eduardo Bonilla-Silva

Deconstructing Race: Multicultural Education Beyond the Color-Bind

• Jabari Mahiri

So You Want to Talk About Race

Ilieoma Oluo

When They Call You a Terrorist: a Black Lives Matter Memoir

• Patrisse Khan-Cullors & Asha Bandele

On the Other Side of Freedom: The Case for Hope

DeRay McKesson

I'm Still Here: Black Dignity in a World Made for Whiteness

• Austin Channing Brown

Tears We Cannot Stop: A Sermon to White America

• Michael Eric Dyson

understanding structural racism: some vocabulary

- "racial wealth gap"
- "racial health gap"
- "opportunity gap"
- "school-to-prison pipeline"
- "de facto segregation"
- "redlining"
- "White flight"
- "gentrification"
- "racial disparity in student loan debt"
- "Black maternal mortality"

- "Black infant mortality"
- "mass incarceration"
- "race and school pushout"
- "racial gerrymandering"
- "unconscious bias"
- "food deserts and race"
- "racial trauma"
- "anti-blackness" / "anti-black racism"
- "colorblind racism"
- "intersectionality"