

Resources in Support of Racial Equality

During this time of national reckoning, the Office of Social Justice Initiatives at Columbia Law School has compiled a list of resources that speak to racial justice, anti-racism, and racial equity. The list is compiled collaboratively and largely inspired by community leaders in this space. The list below is a starting point and includes only a few of many resources that exist.

Guides, Reports, and Toolkits

- [7 Examples of What Being an Ally at Work Really Looks Like](#), Better Allies
 - [26 Ways to be in the Struggle Beyond the Streets](#), Beyond the Streets
 - [Expressive Writing Prompts to Use If You've Been Accused of White Fragility, Spiritual Bypass or White Privilege](#), Leesa Renee Hall
 - [Guide to Allyship](#), Amélie Lamont
 - [How to be an ally to the Asian community](#), David Oliver
 - [Opportunities for White People in the Fight for Racial Justice: Moving from Actor -> Ally -> Accomplice](#), Jonathan Osler
 - [Project Implicit](#), Harvard
 - Subscribe to [The Marshall Project](#) daily email digest for curated criminal justice news
 - Subscribe to the [Vera Institute of Justice](#) email digest for up-to-date information about what's happening in your state's jails and prisons
 - [Syllabus: 21-Day Racial Equity Habit Building Challenge](#), American Bar Association
 - [Talking About Race](#), National Museum of African American History & Culture (resource to help families, individuals, and communities talk about racism and commit to being anti-racist)
 - [White Fragility and the Rules of Engagement](#), Dr. Robin Diangelo
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- [7 Virtual Mental Health Resources Supporting Black People](#), Healthyish
 - [APISAA Therapist Directory for locating an Asian, Pacific Islander, or South Asian American therapist by state](#)
 - [Black/African American Identity and Cultural Dimensions](#), National Alliance on Mental Illness
 - [Black Virtual Wellness Directory](#), Black Emotional and Mental Health Collective
 - [Meditation App for BIPOC](#) (Fee waiver and discounts available)
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- [A Rising Tide of Hate and Violence Against Asian Americans in New York During COVID-19: Impact, Causes, Solutions](#), Asian American Bar Association of New York
 - [Anti-Black Racism Report](#), New York City Commission of Human Rights
 - [Anti-Racism Tool Kit](#), New York State Division of Human Rights
 - [Black Girls Matter: Pushed Out, Overpoliced, and Underprotected](#), Kimberlé Williams Crenshaw, Priscilla Ocen, and Jyoti Nanda
 - [Building Momentum from The Ground Up: A Toolkit for Promoting Justice in Policing](#), The Center for Popular Democracy
 - [Combating Anti-Asian Racism and COVID-19 Toolkit](#)
 - [Guide on Protesters' Rights](#), American Civil Liberties Union
 - Know Your Rights Guide for Law Enforcement Encounters in [English](#) and [Spanish](#), National Lawyers Guild
 - [New Era of Public Safety: An Advocacy Toolkit for Fair, Safe, and Effective Community Policing](#), Policing Campaign at the Leadership Conference Education Fund

- [Reimagining Safety & Security in Our Communities](#), Center for Popular Democracy, Law for Black Lives, and Black Youth Project 100
 - [Say Her Name: Resisting Police Brutality Against Black Women](#), Kimberlé Williams Crenshaw, Andrea J. Ritchie, Rachel Anspach, Rachel Gilmer and Luke Harris
 - [Spanish-Language Anti-Racist Resource List](#), Dra. Gabriela Kovats Sánchez
 - [The 1619 Project](#), The New York Times Magazines
 - [TransformHarm](#), Mariame Kaba
 - [Types of microaggressions & Their Effects](#), Ogor Chukwu
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- [Academic Resources on Everything from Critical Race Theory to Ableism](#)
 - [Let's Talk About Abolition Course](#), Nikkita Oliver
 - [Police and Prison Abolition Syllabus](#), Thinking Abolition
 - [Resource Guide: Prisons, Policing, and Punishment](#), Micah Herskind
 - [Resources on disability, anti-blackness, and police brutality](#)
 - [The Abolitionist Toolkit](#), Critical Resistance Abolition Toolkit Workgroup

Books

- [Another Country](#), James Baldwin
- [Anti-Racist Ally, An Introduction to Activism and Action](#), Sophie Williams
- [At the Dark End of the Street](#), Danielle McGuire
- [Beloved](#), Toni Morrison
- [Charged: The New Movement to Transform American Prosecution and End Mass Incarceration](#), Emily Bazelon
- [Custer Died for Your Sins: An Indian Manifesto](#), Vine Deloria Jr.
- [Dark Matters: On the Surveillance of Blackness](#), Simone Browne
- [Dying of Whiteness: How the Politics of Racial Resentment Is Killing America's Heartland](#), Jonathan M. Metz
- [Do Better: Spiritual Activism for Fighting and Healing from White Supremacy](#), Rachel Ricketts
- [Hood Feminism: Notes from the Women White Feminists Forgot](#), Mikki Kendall
- [How to Be an Anti-Racist](#), Ibram Kendi
- [How to Be Less Stupid About Race: On Racism, White Supremacy, and the Racial Divide](#), Crystal Fleming
- [How We Get Free](#), Keeanga-Yamahtta Taylor
- [Just Mercy](#), Bryan Stevenson
- [Killing Rage: Ending Racism](#), bell hooks
- [Locked In: The True Causes of Mass Incarceration-and How to Achieve Real Reform](#), John Pfaff
- [Locking Up Our Own: Crime and Punishment in Black America](#), James Forman Jr.
- [Malcolm X - A Life of Reinvention](#), Manning Marable
- [Me and White Supremacy](#), Layla F. Saad
- [Native Son](#), Richard Wright
- [Neglected Stories](#), Peggy Cooper Davis
- [One Person No Vote](#), Carol Anderson
- [Punishment Without Crime: How Our Massive Misdemeanor System Traps the Innocent and Makes America More Unequal](#), Alexandra Natapoff
- [Repair: Redeeming the Promise of Abolition](#), Katherine Franke
- [Shattered Bonds](#), Dorothy Roberts

- [Sister Outsider: Essays and Speech](#), Audre Lorde
- [SNCC: The New Abolitionists](#), Howard Zinn
- [So You Want to Talk About Race](#), Ijeoma Oluo
- [Spectacle: The Astonishing Life of Ota Benga](#), Pamela Newkirk
- [Stamped: Racism, Antiracism, and You](#), Jason Reynolds and Ibram X. Kendi
- [The Autobiography of Malcolm X](#), Malcolm X and Alex Haley
- [The Color of Law: A Forgotten History of How Our Government Segregated America](#), Richard Rothstein
- [The End of Policing](#), Alex S. Vitale
- [The Fire Next Time](#), James Baldwin
- [The Hate U Give](#), Angie Thomas
- [The Light of Truth: Writings of an Anti-Lynching Crusader](#), Ida B. Wells
- [The Making of Asian America](#), Erika Lee
- [The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness](#), Michelle Alexander
- [The Next American Revolution: Sustainable Activism for the Twenty-First Century](#), Grace Lee Boggs
- [The Sellout](#), Paul Beatty
- [The Sum of Us: What Racism Costs Everyone and How We Can Prosper Together](#), Heather McGhee
- [The Underground Railroad](#), Colson Whitehead
- [The Warmth of Other Suns: The Epic Story of America's Great Migration](#), Isabel Wilkerson
- [Thick: And Other Essays](#), Tressie McMillan Cottom
- [Things That Make White People Uncomfortable](#), Michael Bennett
- [This Wound is a World](#), Billy-Ray Belcourt
- [Waiting 'til the Midnight Hour: A Narrative History of Black Power in America](#), Peniel E. Joseph
- [We Do This 'til We Free Us](#), Mariame Kaba
- [When My Brother Was an Aztec](#), Natalie Diaz
- [When the Light of the World Was Subdued, Our Songs Came Through: A Norton Anthology of Native Nations Poetry](#), Jennifer Elise Foerster, Leanne Howe & Joy Harjo
- [White Rage: The Unspoken Truth of Our Racial Divide](#), Carol Anderson
- [White Tears, Brown Scars](#), Ruby Hamad
- [Who Do You Serve, Who Do You Protect](#), Joe Macaré, Maya Schenwar and Alana Yu-lan Price
- [Why I'm No Longer Talking to White People about Race](#), Reni Eddo-Lodge
- [Women, Race and Class](#), Angela Davis

Independent Bookstores

- A [comprehensive list](#) of black-owned independent bookstores compiled by the African American Literature Book Club
- [Akashic Books](#)
- [Boogie Down Books](#)
- [Haymarket Books](#)
- [LitBar](#)
- [Verso Books](#)

Documentaries and Videos

- [13th](#) — Netflix
- [A Conversation with Angela Davis and Nikki Giovanni](#), GirlTrek Movement
- [Amend](#) — Netflix
- [Asian Americans](#) — PBS
- [Black Feminism & the Movement for Black Lives: Barbara Smith, Reina Gossett, Charlene Carruthers](#), National LGBTQ Task Force
- [Black Rights: How Past Movements Shape Today's Climate](#), New York State Division of Human Rights
- [Black Skin, White Masks: Racism, Vulnerability & Refuting Black Pathology](#)
- [Claudia Rankine on Microaggressions](#), Museum of Contemporary Art Chicago
- [Don't Be a Bystander: 6 Tips for Responding to Racist Attacks](#), Barnard Center for Research on Women
- [Elevating and Engaging with Black Lives on Law School Campuses](#), American Constitution Society, Professor Michele Goodwin, and the National Black Law Students Association
- [Eyes on the Prize: American Civil Rights Movement](#) — PBS
- [For White People Who are Asking What They Can Do](#), Light Watkins
- [From Awareness to Action: The path towards meaningful allyship](#), Evelyn Carter, PhD
- [How Studying Privilege Systems Can Strengthen Compassion](#), Peggy McIntosh
- [I Am Not Your Negro](#) — Netflix
- [Law for Black Lives Webinars](#)
- [Let's Get to the Root of Racial Injustice](#), Megan Ming Francis
- [Police Violence and Protests: Understanding the Legal Issues](#), Howard University School of Law
- [RACE: The Power of an Illusion Documentary](#) — PBS
- [Slavery by Another Name](#) — PBS
- [The path to ending systemic racism in the US](#), Dr. Phillip Atiba Goff, Rashad Robinson, Dr. Bernice King, Anthony D. Romero
- [We Need to Talk about Injustice](#), Bryan Stevenson
- [What is Racial Capitalism and Why Does It Matter?](#), Robin D. G. Kelley
- [When They See Us](#) — Netflix (Check out [ARRAY101](#), Ava DuVernay's companion piece to the show)

Podcasts

- [1619](#), New York Times
- [Beyond Prisons](#)
- [Black Lives: In the Era of COVID-19](#)
- [Code Switch](#), NPR
- [Intersectionality Matters with Kimberlé Crenshaw](#), African American Policy Forum
- [Justice in America](#)
- [Momentum: A Race Forward Podcast](#)
- [Our National Conversation About Conversations About Race](#)
- [Pod for The Cause](#), The Leadership Conference on Civil & Human Rights
- [Scene on Radio: Seeing White](#)
- [Self Evident](#)
- [Should America Pay Reparations for Slavery? with Katherine Franke](#)
- [The Politics of Everything: The Political Power of Protests with Kimberlé Crenshaw](#)
- [Uncivil](#)
- [We Do This 'til We Free Us: Abolitionist Organizing and Transforming Justice](#)