

Support Center Statement of Solidarity

The protests and civil unrest from the last week are an unmistakable and painful reminder of the structural racism that continues to exist across our nation, states, and communities. Support Center joins our black and brown colleagues, friends, families and partners in the fight against systemic racism across our country, communities and institutions.

With a commitment to accelerating positive social change, we at Support Center join in the calls against racism, violence, and injustice faced by George Floyd, Ahmaud Arbery, Breonna Taylor, and far too many others killed before them. We join in the calls for undoing racist policies and practices that devalue black and brown lives. And we join in the call for solidarity to work together and take action against structural racism that harms us all.

- Here are some of the ways that we can take action together:
- Support your local chapter of **Black Lives Matter**;
- Find out more about organizations such as <u>Crossroads</u>, <u>RoadMap</u>, and the <u>People's Institute for Survival and Beyond</u> and their anti-racism work as resources for individuals and organizations to learn more about undoing racism;
- Check out Showing Up for Racial Justice and the active petitions and campaigns from Color of Change; and
- Consider the resources provided by <u>Ahead of the Curve</u> on equity and inclusion.

In solidarity,

Support Center Board and Staff