

BLM: Practicing Allyship

HOW TO USE THIS RESOURCE

As part of our commitment as allies to **take action in our daily lives**, the Driving Change Team encourages you to use the resources found here to educate yourself, donate your time or money, use your voice to speak up, and support Black businesses. Since this is a community document, we also encourage you to add additional resources others may find meaningful. We understand that different people have different levels of activism. As such, these resources do not necessarily represent the position, values and beliefs of everyone. Please use at your own discretion.

1. Charities

- [The Black Business And Professional Association](#)
For 37 years, the BBPA has been offering programs, scholarships, mentorships and more for Black professionals and businesses in Canada.
- [Across Boundaries](#)
This Toronto non-profit provides mental-health services and support for racialized communities.
- [Black Health Alliance](#)
This registered charity's goal is to improve the health of Canada's Black communities.
- [Nia Centre For The Arts](#)
This multidisciplinary centre, based in Toronto, empowers Black youth and emerging Black artists.
- [Black Legal Action Centre](#)
This not-for-profit legal clinic provides free legal advice for low- and no-income Black residents of Ontario.
- [Go Fund Me – Black Emergency Support Fund](#)
COVID-19 disproportionately affects Black people; this campaign, organized by BLM Toronto, seeks to provide support to those most at-risk. A [similar campaign](#) has been organized in B.C.
- [Black Women In Motion](#)
This Toronto-based organization supports advancement of black women via workshops, education, and community outreach.

2. Donate

- [Justice For Regis](#)
- [Black Lives Matter Toronto](#) or [Black Lives Matter Vancouver](#).
- Donate to the [Toronto Protestor Bail Fund](#), which provides legal support to anyone protesting in Toronto.
- Donate to [The Movement For Black Lives](#), a global initiative which aims to support Black organizations to conduct conversations about current political conditions.

- [Official George Floyd Memorial Fund.](#)
- Donate to [I Run with Maud](#): Ahmaud Arbery fund by his best friend.
- [GoFundme](#) for Covid-19 Black Emergency Support Fund

3. Organizations to Follow

- [Audre Lorde Project](#)
- [NAACP](#)
- [Color of Change](#)
- [The Conscious Kid](#)
- [Equal Justice Inhttps://www.instagram.com/theconsciouskid/initiative](https://www.instagram.com/theconsciouskid/initiative)
- [Showing Up For Racial Justice](#)
- [No White Saviors](#)
- [The Anti Racism Center](#)

4. Read & Take Action

- [Anti-Racism Articles, Books, Films, Podcasts](#)
- [An Antiracist Reading List](#)
- [Rachel Cargle: The Great Unlearn](#)
- [Anti-Racism Resources](#)
- [How to be an Anti Racist](#)
- [Black Lives Matter Resources](#)
- [Stop Saying "All Lives Matter"](#)
- [How Your 2019 Tax Dollars Worked](#)
- [Jane Elliott: Commitment to Combat Racism](#)

5. Support local Black Owned Businesses

Toronto:

- [Cup of Te](#)
- [Armure Beauty](#)
- [The Remix Project](#)
- [Zoba Martin \(Fashion/face masks\)](#)
- [Black owned businesses restaurants that are open during Covid-19](#)
- [Black Owned Toronto](#)

Windsor:

- Beauty
 - [Adao Salon](#)
 - [Amoret Beauty](#)
 - [Entice Salon](#)
 - [JP Beauty Supply](#)
 - [Unbeweavable](#)
- Sports & Entertainment

- [Bliss Skateboard Shop](#)
- [Border City Boxing Club](#)
- [Northstar Cheerleading](#)
- [Ascend Personal Training](#)
- [Windsor Express](#)

- Professional Services
 - [A+ Accounting Windsor](#)
 - [Dean's Paralegal Service](#)
 - [Patricia Brown law](#)
 - [Joy Hearing Clinic](#)
 - [Clarke Investments](#)

- Food
 - [Caribbean Island Spice](#)
 - [Jubba](#)
 - [Lagos Grill](#)
 - [My Momma's Taste](#)
 - [Mamo Burger](#)
 - [World Marathon Ethiopian](#)
 - [Yardie VibeZ](#)
 - [Black Magic Culinary creations](#)
 - [Am Variety African Store](#)
 - [Instahealth Box- Simple Health Living](#)
 - [Soul By Mr. Spoon](#)

6. Books to read

- So You Want to Talk About Race by Ijeoma Oluo
- They Can't Kill Us All by Wesley Lowery
- Why I'm No Longer Talking to White People About Race by Reni Eddo-Lodge
- Beloved by Toni Morrison
- Between The World And Me by Ta-Nehisi Coates
- Your Silence Will Not Protect You by Audre Lorde
- How to Be an Anti-Racist by Ibram X. Kendi
- White Rage: The Unspoken Truth of Our Racial Divide by Carol Anderson Ph.D.
- Stamped from the Beginning: The Definitive History of Racist Ideas in America by Ibram X. Kendi

7. Films to watch

- When They See Us
- The 13th
- Selma

- The Hate U Give
- If Beale Street Could Talk
- Just Mercy
- Mississippi Masala
- Malcom X
- 12 Years A Slave
- Get Out

8. Podcasts

- NPR's Code Switch
- Intersectionality Matters with Kimberlé Crenshaw
- All My Relations
- Pod Save The People
- Race Traitor (Series)
- 1619

9. Online Educators

[Activists and educators](#)

10. Petitions

- To demand racial data on police-involved deaths in Canada, you can sign the petition [here](#).
- To demand justice for George Floyd, you can sign the petition [here](#).

11. Reach out to local representatives

[#JusticeforRegis](#) has a link to Ontario MPPs and a sample email template to send to them to request action and intervention into the death of Regis Korchinski-Paquet. You can also reach out to the city and provincial representatives in the [area where Korchinski-Paquet lived](#).