

CW: Police Brutality, Violence

Hi Everyone,

We're writing this email to help spread awareness about the various ways you can help support the current fight against racial injustice and the systemic policing of Black communities. SOLE stands in solidarity with Black students and with the Black community during these current protests demanding justice for the murdering of Black lives by the police institution and white supremacists.

Many of our own Latinx communities are plagued with anti-Blackness that not only harms Black people, but contributes to the systemic oppressions of Black lives in our country. Staying neutral or deciding to not support protests and the constant struggle Black lives face every day is an ignorant action that only continues to perpetuate violence against Black people everywhere.

We ask that you support in whatever way you can, whether it's engaging in protests, donating, spreading accurate and helpful information on social media, or self-education. The burden and effort of this ongoing fight should not be solely placed on the shoulders of Black communities. It is crucial that we use any kind of privilege we hold whether it's financial, racial, etc, to stand and fight alongside Black lives.

Get Educated:

- Website with more donation resources and a guide to help educate yourselves on the context behind the protests and systemic oppression of black lives.
 - <https://black-lives-matter-b5d64f.webflow.io/>

Ways to Support and Get Involved:

Demand the sentencing of the four police officers involved in George Floyd's murder.

- Call the following Minneapolis officials or [email them using this template](#):
 - Mayor Jacob Frey: (612) 673-2100
 - DA Mike Freeman: (612) 348-5550
 - Hennepin County Attorney Office: (612) 673-2100
- [Join a phone bank](#) organized by Stanford Students for Workers' Rights
- [Sign this petition](#) organized by color of change demanding the prosecution of the officers involved in the murder of George Floyd

Donate to:

- [Minnesota Freedom Fund](https://minnesotafreedomfund.org/donate) (bail out for protesters) <https://minnesotafreedomfund.org/donate>
- [Black Visions Collective](https://secure.everyaction.com/4omQDAR0oUiUagTu0EG-lg2) (QT & Black led organizing committee) <https://secure.everyaction.com/4omQDAR0oUiUagTu0EG-lg2>
- [Reclaim The Block](https://secure.everyaction.com/zae4prEeKESHBy0MKXTIcQ2) (Police divestment org in minneapolis) <https://secure.everyaction.com/zae4prEeKESHBy0MKXTIcQ2>
- [North Star Health Collective](https://www.northstarhealthcollective.org/donate) (on the ground medical supplies and personnel) <https://www.northstarhealthcollective.org/donate>

Support Local Demands:

- Sign Reclaim the Block's petition urging MN city council to defund the police, <https://secure.everyaction.com/eR7GA7oz70GL8doBq19LrA2>
- 26 Ways to be in the Struggle Beyond the Streets: https://issuu.com/nlc.sf.2014/docs/beyondthestreets_final

On Campus Resources:

- Black Community Services Center (BCSC) - [Join The Diaspora listserv for updates.](#)
- Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) offer crisis counseling for urgent needs. Clinicians are always on call, even after hours, at (650) 723-3785
 - Black CAPS Counselors, LaWanda Hill, Danielle Amajoyi, and Sedale Williams are available through direct messaging on CAPS website.

- The Bridge Peer Counseling Center offers counseling by trained students 24/7 at (650) 723-3392.
- The Office for Religious Life offers spiritual guidance for students at (650) 723-1762.
 - Zoom Office Hours with Dr. Rania Awaad. [Sign up here](#)
- The Graduate Life Office is available during office hours at (650) 736-7078, or 24/7 at (650) 723-8222, pager ID number 25085

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