Our hearts go out to the families of Ahmaud Arbery, Breonna Taylor, Tony McDade, George Floyd, countless others, and all who’ve lost family and friends to police brutality. We know that many of our friends and collaborators are in pain as a result of senseless violence and racism. We stand with them in solidarity and grief.

White nationalism is a scourge, and it is time for all of us to help carry the burden of dismantling racism. We must all stand shoulder to shoulder with communities of color. This transformation is long overdue, and requires consistency and purpose.

Otherworld Theatre will continue to create works which strive to spark positive change, to not only continuously invite people of color to join our creative community, but to purposefully support and make space for them to tell their stories as actors, directors, producers, designers and creatives. But this work does not stop at the theatre’s doors.

Please join us in doing something. Not just now, but in perpetuity.

- We offer our support to Black friends, family, and community without making demands on their time or emotional energy.
- We will continue to promote, produce, and patronize Black and POC artists and businesses, amplifying their platforms and stories.
- We add our voices to our Black and POC friends, coworkers, and community members to confront racism and white supremacy because the burden to do so should not fall on them alone.

We must all do the work to make positive change. We must support those speaking out and taking action. We must always fight for justice and the end of systemic racism.

Attached below is a small list of resources to get started. This list will adapt and grow over time. We’ll be working our way through these measures, and more, along-side you.

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**Protest in your city. Make sure those organizing are a trusted, Black-led group**

[Saeed & Little - Law firm offering Pro Bono legal representation to arrested protesters in Chicago, Indianapolis or Louisville](#)

[National Lawyers Guild - Pro Bono legal representation for arrested protesters in Chicago](#)
Buckley Law Group, PC - Law firm offering Pro Bono legal representation to arrested protesters in Chicago

Bail Funds/Legal Help by City - memorize or write the number on your arm

1-833-4256TBP - The Bail Project (Nationwide)

Anti-Racism Action Items You Can Do Right Now

Justice for George Floyd

Change.org Petition · Justice for George Floyd

Change.org Petition - Justice for Tony McDade

Action Network for Tony McDade- Form to contact State Attorney, Chief of Police, Mayor, City Commissioners and City Manager

#WeCantBreathe

Petition · The Minneapolis Police Officers to be charged for murder

Justice for Breonna

Change.org - Justice for Breonna Taylor

Petition - #JusticeforBre: Police officers who killed Breonna Taylor must be Fired

Text FLOYD to 55156 to sign #JusticeforFloyd petition demanding the officers involved be charged with murder.

Call

612-324-4499 - Hotline for George Floyd’s case

Donate/Participate
Bail Funds/Legal Help by City

Chicago Community Bail Bond Fund

Official George Floyd Memorial Fund organized by Philonise Floyd

Crossroads Anti-Racism Organizing & Training

Black Lives Matter: Home

Voix Noire- support for Black women, children and marginalized genders

Communities United Against Police Brutality

The Loveland Foundation

Northstar Health Collective- Minneapolis Street Medics helping injured during protests

Chicago Action Medical- Street Medics and Street medic training

Chicago Freedom School- provided refuge to stranded protesters in Chicago, provides youth programs for social justice action

Legal Defense Initiative

Chicago Alliance Against Racial and Political Repression

Education/Information

Enrich Chicago - Anti-Racism Workshops for the Arts

Racial Equity Tools -For Arts Organizations

12 Movies, Books and Podcasts You Should Consume to Become a Better Ally to the Black Community

Identity Politics Podcast

Code Switch Podcast

Who We Are - Communities United Against Police Brutality
World Trust - Social Justice and Racial Equity Movement Building

Anti-racism resources for white people

Black Visions Collective

Anti-Racism For Kids 101: Starting To Talk About Race

Reclaim the Block

#DoTheWork

NAACP | We Are Done Dying

Black Creatives and Organizations to Support

Black Ensemble Theater

Rescripted

The Chicago Inclusion Project

Black Girl Nerds

Darker Larper

Black Theatre Network

Adorned by Chi

Congo Square Theatre

Rivals of Waterdeep

The Black Comics Collective

BlerdNation

Black Nerd Comedy

Black Geek Society & Nerds of Color
Maya Sokora

3blackgeeks

The Radical Geeks

Black Science Fiction and Fantasy Authors You Need to Read

SHERO Comics

#blkcreatives

The Black TV & Film Collective

Black Theatre Matters

African American Arts Alliance Chicago