Racial Justice Resource Guide

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CCEJ Mission
The California Conference for Equality and Justice (CCEJ) is a human relations organization dedicated to eliminating bias, bigotry, racism, and other forms of oppression through education, conflict resolution, and advocacy.

Our Work
CCEJ has a proven track record in providing comprehensive Equity and Restorative Justice training for organizations, educators, schools, companies, families, youth, and community groups. Tens of thousands of people have been trained and coached by CCEJ staff to build cultures that promote stronger communication, healthier relationships where no one is disposable and where conflict is healed in equitable and just ways. CCEJ trained over 4,266 people in 2020.

This Guide
This resource guide includes books, articles, media, groups and events related to Racial Justice individually, interpersonally, collectively, and systemically. It is intended to be a start to further dialogue, introspection, and actions, and is in no way a definitive list of related resources.

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Titles (Authors)

- Me & White Supremacy (Layla F. Saad)
- Why Are All the Black Kids Sitting Together in the Cafeteria? (Beverly Daniel Tatum)
- The New Jim Crow (Michelle Alexander)
- Sister Outsider (Audre Lorde)
- Freedom is a Constant Struggle (Angela Y. Davis)
- Born a Crime (Trevor Noah)
- So You Want to Talk About Race (Ijeoma Oluo)
- Bad Feminist (Roxane Gay)
- Dear White America (Tim Wise)
- A People’s History of the United States (Howard Zinn)
- When Chickenheads Come Home to Roost (Joan Morgan)
- Why I’m No Longer Talking to White People about Race (Reni Eddo-Lodge)
- The Blood of Emmett Till (Timothy B. Tyson)
- The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks (Rebecca Skloot)
- Sister Citizen (Melissa V. Harris-Perry)
- Beyond the Messy Truth (Van Jones)
- The Body is Not an Apology (Sonya Renee Taylor)
- White Fragility (Robin DiAngelo)
- Living in the Tension: The Question for a Spiritualized Racial Justice (Shelly Tochluk)
- Go Tell It on the Mountain (James Baldwin)
- The Color of Law (Richard Rothstein)
- The Souls of Black Folk (W.E.B. DuBois)
- Unapologetic: A Black, Queer, and Feminist Mandate for Radical Movements (Charlene A. Carruthers)
- How to Be an Anti-Racist (Ibram X. Kendi)
- Hood Feminism: Notes from the Women that a Movement Forgot (Mikki Kendall)
Memoirs

- So Close to Being the Sh*t, Y’all Don’t Even Know (Retta)
- How We Fight for Our Lives (Saeed Jones)
- Invisible Man, Got the Whole World Watching (Mychal Denzal Smith)
- Becoming (Michelle Obama)
- The Last Black Unicorn (Tiffany Haddish)
- We’re Going to Need More Wine (Gabrielle Union)
- I’m Still Here: Black Dignity in a World Made for Whiteness (Austin Channing Brown)
- Mom & Me & Mom (Maya Angelou)
- Dear America: Notes of an Undocumented Citizen (Jose Antonio Vargas)
- Things That Make White People Uncomfortable (Michael Bennett)
- I’m Judging You (Luvvie Ajayi)
- Well That Escalated Quickly (Franchesca Ramsey)
- No Ashes in the Fire (Darnell L. Moore)
- You Can’t Touch My Hair (Phoebe Robinson)
- Between the World & Me (Ta-Nehisi Coates)
- Redefining Realness (Janet Mock)
- How to Be Black (Baratunde Thurston)
- Fresh Off the Boat (Eddie Huang)
- Tell the Truth & Shame the Devil: The Life, Legacy, and Love of My Son Michael Brown (Lezley McSpadden)
- All Boys Aren’t Blue (George M. Johnson)
- The Awkward Thoughts of W. Kamau Bell (W. Kamau Bell)
- Surpassing Certainty (Janet Mock)
- Around the Way Girl (Taraji P. Henson)
- The Autobiography of Malcolm X (Malcolm X as told to Alex Haley)
- Eloquent Rage (Brittney Cooper)
Incarceration & Abolition

- We Do This ‘Til We Free Us: Abolitionist Organizing and Transforming Justice (Mariame Kaba)
- We Still Here: Pandemic, Policing, Protest, and Possibility (Marc Lamont Hill)
- Pushout: The Criminalization of Black Girls in Schools (Monique W. Morris)
- We Will Not Cancel Us and Other Dreams of Transformative Justice (adrienne marie brown)
- The Sun Does Shine: How I Found Life & Freedom on Death Row (Anthony Ray Hinton)

Curated Anti-Racist Book Lists

“Decolonization and anti-racism: a reading list—Books that challenge the notion of empire and offer a history of anti-colonial, anti-racist struggle”

“Understanding and Dismantling Racism: A Booklist for White Readers”

“Racism & Bias Reading List”

“These 16 Books Explain White Supremacy In The US”

“Ibram X. Kendi’s Anti-Racist Reading List”
• “White Supremacy Culture—Still Here” (Tema Okun)
• “Academia Isn’t a Safe Haven for Conversations About Race and Racism” (Tsedale M. Melaku and Angie Beeman)
• “From White Racist to White Anti-Racist” (Tema Okun)
• “The History Of Solidarity Between Asian And Black Americans” (Ailsa Chang)
• “Getting Rid of the Word ‘Caucasian’” (Carol C. Mukhopadhyay)
• “Brown in America: A lesson in internalized whiteness” (Larissa Dzegar)
• “What’s Wrong with Cultural Appropriation” (Maisha Z. Johnson)
• “White People: This Is How To Check Your Privilege When Asking People of Color For Their Labor” (Sophia Stephens)
• “7 Ways Non-Black People of Color Perpetuate Anti-Blackness” (Palmira Muniz)
• “8 Ways People of Color Are Tokenized in Non-Profits” (Helen Kim Ho)
• “Why Do We Keep Using the Word ‘Caucasian’?” (Yolanda Moses)
• “Exclusion Acts: Iyko Day on Asian hate through the prism of anti-Blackness” (Iyko Day)
• “It can be easy to make a connection between anti-Asian and anti-Black violence – but comparing them only creates more division” (Katie Li)
• “The Sugarcoated Reality of White Fragility” (Anna Kegler)
• “Is It Time To Say R.I.P. To 'POC'?” (Shereen Marisol Meraji, Natalie Escobar, Kumari D. Evarajan)
• “‘BIPOC' Isn't Doing What You Think It's Doing” (Andrea Plaid, Christopher MacDonald-Dennis)
• “Dismantling Anti-Blackness Together” (Lorgia García Peña)
• “10 Young Latinx Activists You Should Know” (Jackie Menjivar)
• “How Latinx People Can Fight Anti-Black Racism in Our Own Culture” (Angie Jaime)
• “Black-Asian Solidarity Requires Us to Think and Act Relationally” (Diane C. Fujino)
• “9 Anti-Black Behaviors Latinos Need to Stop Right Now” (Johanna Ferreira)
• “So you call yourself an ally: 10 things all ‘allies’ need to know” (Jamie Utt)
• “Racism Harms Black People Most. It’s Time to Recognise ‘Anti-Blackness’” (Ahmed Olayinka Sule)
• “The Bias of Professionalism Standards” (Aysa Gray)
• “Untold Civil Rights Stories” (Asian Americans Advancing Justice)
• “Social Change Ecosystem Map” (Building Movement Project)
• “White Privilege: Unpacking the Invisible Knapsack” (Peggy McIntosh)
• “Toward a Radical White Identity” (Susan B. Goldberg & Cameron Levin)
• “White Anti-Racism: Living the Legacy” (Learning for Justice, Teaching Tolerance)
• “Why My ‘Good Intentions’ Aren’t Enough to Dismantle White Superiority” (Francesca Moroney)
• “Explaining White Privilege” (Everyday Feminism)
• “White Fragility” (Robin DiAngelo)
• Challenging Racism Project, Western Sydney University (Research)
Podcasts:
Being Seen, Ep 17, Afro-Latinx
Seeing White: https://www.sceneonradio.org/seeing-white/
Code Switch: https://www.npr.org/podcasts/510312/codeswitch

Resources Lists and Google Docs:
Anti-Racism Resources (Google Doc)
National Resource List (Google Doc)
Where to Donate (Google Doc)
Resource List
How to Divide Your Donation Between Organizations
Where to Donate to Support Black Trans People
Black-Owned Restaurants in LA (Google Doc)
List of Apps to Find/Support Black-Owned Businesses

Helpful Instagram Posts for Anti-Racist Dialogue:
How to respond to basic racist statements
How to talk to people who disagree
How to refocus the convo on what’s important
What do I say when... (a guide for white people)

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Organizations:

- CompassPoint: https://www.compasspoint.org/
- The People’s Institute for Survival and Beyond: https://www.pisab.org/
- Race Forward: https://www.raceforward.org/
- Youth Justice Coalition LA: http://youthjusticela.org/
- The Movement for Black Lives: https://m4bl.org/
- Black Lives Matter LA: https://www.blmla.org/
- Showing up for Racial Justice (SURJ): http://www.showingupforracialjustice.org/

Subscribe:

- Daily Anti-Racist Newsletter
- 30 Days of COURAGE: Personal reflections on confronting the truth about white supremacy

Actions & Events:

- Haymarket Book Club (Monthly Subscription)
- Monthly Meditation for People of Color & Their Allies by Meditation Coalition (Zoom)
- Coaching for Healing, Justice & Liberation
- 26 Ways to Be in the Struggle Beyond the Streets (June 2020)
- Unmasking Whiteness Institute (by AWARE-LA)
- Why Healing from Internalized Whiteness is a Missing Link in White People’s Anti-Racism Work (Webinar)
- Long Beach SURJ Weekly Dialogues: Email lbsurj@gmail.com for more information
- Anti-Racism for White People (Virtual Course)
Work with Us:
If you’re interested in bringing CCEJ to your workplace, school, or community organization for training and coaching, email Daniel Solís, Associate Executive Director at dsolis@cacej.org.

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We regularly offer community events and training opportunities which can all be found here:
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