



Ted Talks: Never Again

Dear Friends,

As Jews, we know the pain and suffering behind the meaning of the words, Never Again. After witnessing the brutal murder of George Floyd by Minneapolis police officers and knowing that it is part of a pattern of systematic violence against Black Americans, we must say Never Again. Never again to racism. Never again to institutionalized policies that discriminate against people of color and contribute to the ongoing inequities that exist in our country today.



Our Jewish values compel us to act to eliminate the racism that people of color face every day. We are commanded: “Do not stand idly by the blood of your neighbor” (Leviticus 19:16). We will listen and learn from our partners in the African American community, and we will continue to strive in both words and actions toward a more just and equitable society for all.

We also must confront racism against Jews of color within our Jewish community. Not only do they deal with anti-Semitism, too often, Jews of color don’t feel seen or heard among their fellow Jews.

The new demographic study that will be released this summer will hopefully help us better understand this segment of our community and how we can meet their needs. Federation is committed to creating a community where all Jews are welcome, are heard and are able to participate.

Shabbat Shalom,

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PS: If you want to help now, please see a list of causes on the next page seeking donations at this time.

Opportunities to support our neighbors

[George Floyd Memorial Fund](#)

[Minnesota Black Chamber of Commerce](#): GoFundMe established to support Minnesota Black-owned businesses by focusing on recovering, rebuilding, and reopening efforts.

[We Love Saint Paul](#): A fund established by the Saint Paul Area Chamber of Commerce to help small businesses and nonprofits rebuild their storefronts, reopen their businesses and serve our neighborhoods.

[Midway United](#): The Midway United Fund is helping the Midway and Union Park small business and nonprofit community rebuild their storefronts.

[Lake Street Council](#): Rebuilding Lake Street's small businesses and community organizations

[NAACP Legal Defense Fund](#): National organization fighting for racial justice