Wings Statement of Solidarity

The members of Wings wholeheartedly condemn and mourn the recent murders of Ahmaud Arbery, George Floyd, and Breonna Taylor and do not forget the many taken lives who came before them.

As an organization in a Black-majority city, we understand that when we serve the community, we are making a commitment to serving specifically the Black people in Baltimore. We as an organization are firmly devoted to dismantling and upending systemic and structural disparities, and we will continue to support the fight for racial justice and equality as we stand in solidarity of our Black friends, neighbors, community members, and all Black people.

Please consult the following resources. This is in **no** means an all-exhaustive list, and we encourage you to find more resources as you conduct your own research.

Master Lists

- National Resource List
 - Jail Support and Legal Services
 - Advice for Protesting and Social Media
 - Low-Cost Ways to Help Black Lives Matter (Petitions)
 - o Bail Funds, Memorial Funds, Organizations, Mutual Aid
 - International Solidarity and Resourcing
 - o Miscellaneous Mutual Aid and Community Projects
- Master Thread of Petitions, Donation Links, Mental Health Resources, Contacts

Memorial Funds

- George Floyd Memorial Fund
- I Run with Maud Memorial Fund
- Tony McDade Memorial Fund
- Justice for Breonna Taylor
- Emmett Till Legacy Foundation

Place That Still Need Donations

Once a person is arrested and charged, they are kept in jail until their court date. That time can be months, even years. Posting bail keeps arrested people out of jail until that time. Bail is a punitive system that momentarily allows wealthier individuals to escape jail whereas poor people have no choice but to remain locked up.

- National Bail Fund Network (bail funds in every state)
- Emergency Release Fund
- LGBTQ+ Freedom Fund
- No New Jails NYC
- Know Your Rights Camp
- Baltimore Action Legal Team

Baltimore Black-Led Organizations

Please consider buying from or donating to the following organizations.

Baltimore Black-Owned Businesses

- Baltimore Black-Owned Restaurants
- <u>Baltimore Safe Haven</u> (provides outreach, drop-in and housing services for Baltimore's most vulnerable LGBTQ community members)
- <u>Baltimore Jail Support</u> (supports people being released from Baltimore City Detention Center. We provide food, water, First-Aid, and transportation)
- <u>Baltimore Women's Housing Coalition</u> (supports families and individuals with permanent and affordable, service enriched housing)
- <u>CLLCTIVLY</u> (place-based social change ecosystem using an asset-based framework to focus on racial equity, narrative change, and social connectedness)
- <u>Leaders of a Beautiful Struggle</u> (a grassroots think-tank which advances the public policy interest of Black people, in Baltimore, through: youth leadership development, political advocacy, and autonomous intellectual innovation)
- Out for Justice, Inc. (returning citizen and member-led organization with the mission to engage, educate, and empower individuals with criminal records in Maryland to create structural change through legislation, policy reform and advocacy)
- <u>Sex Workers Outreach Project (SWOP-Baltimore)</u> (national social justice network dedicated to the fundamental human rights of sex workers and their communities)
- Youth Empowered Society (safe space for youth who are homeless or at-risk of homelessness and between the ages of 14 and 25)

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Please consider buying from or donating to the following organizations.

- <u>Minnesota Voice</u> (a member-based coalition of non-profit organizations working toward permanent change in racial, social, and economic justice by increasing civic engagement and voter participation across the state, especially focused in underrepresented communities)
- <u>National Black Women's Justice Institute</u> (works to reduce racial and gender disparities across
 the justice continuum affecting Black women, girls, and their families, by conducting research,
 providing technical assistance, engaging in public education, promoting civic engagement, and
 advocating for informed and effective policies)
- The Okra Project (provides culturally-specific meals and resources to Black Trans people)
- <u>Reclaim the Block</u> (organizes Minneapolis community and city council members to move money from the police department into other areas of the city's budget that truly promote community health and safety)
- <u>Solutions not Punishment Co. (SNaP for Freedom)</u> (Atlanta-based, Black Trans and Queer led, abolitionist organization)
- <u>Unicorn Riot</u> (decentralized, educational 501(c)(3) non-profit media organization of artists and journalists)
- Ways You Can Support the Black LGBTQ+ Community
- 28 Organizations that Empower Black Communities
- 115 Ways to Donate in Support of Black Lives and Communities of Color
- 125 Black-Owned Businesses to Support Now

Educational Resources

• A Guide to Allyship

- Anti-Racist Resource Guide
- Black Revolutionary Texts
- JHU Black Student Union Racial Justice Resources
- Black and Asian-American Feminist Solidarities: A Reading List
- Ongoing Resource for Unlearning White Supremacy and Disinvesting from Anti-Blackness
- <u>Scaffolded Anti-Racist Resources</u> from Youth Empowered Society
- 20+ Allyship Actions for Asians to Show Up for the Black Community
- 75 Things a White Person Can Do for Racial Justice

Protest Resources

- Amnesty International USA Protest Resources and Toolkits
- Master Thread of Pro-Bono Legal Services in Major U.S. Cities
 - o The Legal Rights Center
 - National Lawyers Guild
- Riot Medicine Medical Guide Written by Medics
 - o Right-click on the Download sign and 'Save link as'
- <u>Safety Tips for Protestors</u> (must read)
- Sanitization Protocol for Direct Action During COVID-19
- Scrubbing Metadata and Selectively Blurring Faces Tool
- Setting Up iPhone Shortcut to Automatically Record and Send

Representatives

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 - Charles Village-Waverly
- Baltimore City Council President Brandon Scott (<u>councilpresident@baltimorecity.gov</u>)
- U.S. House Representative <u>Kweisi Mfume</u> (Maryland's 7th Congressional District)
- U.S. House Representative <u>John P. Sarbanes</u> (Maryland's 3rd Congressional District)