Resources on Racism and Racial Justice

This is a compilation of racial justice and equity resources across a variety of media—from curricula to podcasts—intended to help you educate yourself and your community. Please note that this is a work in progress, and we will continue to update it. Please send any additional resources you would like to see included to Tammy Gilden at tgilden@thejcpa.org.

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• Scaffolded Anti-Racist Resources for wherever you are in the journey, a working document created by Anna Stamborski, Nikki Zimmermann, and Bailie Gregory

• Racial Equity Tools

Compilations

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• Jewish Racial Justice Resources, compiled by the Jewish Social Justice Roundtable.

• Jewish Council for Public Affairs - Engaging the Jewish Community in Criminal Justice. Make sure to check out our toolkit with a criminal justice 101, which includes a section on policing.

• Temple Beth El, Charlotte, NC – Resources to Watch, Read, Listen & Notice

• Medium – Resource Guide: Prisons Policing and Punishment

• Tema Smith - Compendium of articles on racism and Black-Jewish relations

Books

General

• White Fragility by Robin DiAngelo
• How to Be an Antiracist by Ibram X. Kendi
• So You Want to Talk About Race by Ijeoma Oluo
• The New Jim Crow by Michelle Alexander
• Me and White Supremacy by Layla F. Saad

Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Reform
• The End of Policing by Alex S. Vitale (FREE ebook available)
• Who Do You Serve, Who Do You Protect? Police Violence and Resistance in the United States - Edited by Joe Macaré, Maya Schenwar, and Alana Yu-lan Price
• Slavery by Another Name: The Re-Enslavement of Black Americans from the Civil War to World War II by Douglas A. Blackmon
• Just Mercy by Bryan Stevenson
• From the War on Poverty to the War on Crime: The Making of Mass Incarceration in America by Elizabeth Hinton

Education
• Why Are All the Black Kids Sitting Together In the Cafeteria? And Other Conversations About Race by Beverly Daniel Tatum
• Pushout: The Criminalization of Black Girls in School by Monique W. Morris (Check out the PBS film, too)

Housing and Homeownership
• Race for Profit by Keeanga-Yamatha Taylor
• The Color of Law by Richard Rothstein

Films
• When They See Us
• Just Mercy
• 13th
• Pushout: The Criminalization of Black Girls in School

Articles

Specific to the Jewish Community
• JCRC of San Francisco - Jewish Diversity, with Ilana Kaufman of the Jews of Color Field Building Initiative - Identity and Racial Justice in the Jewish Community
• Union for Reform Judaism - Ways Your Congregation Can Act Now for Racial Justice
• The Forward: Dear Jewish Community - Here's What to Do Now by Jeremy Burton, Josh Sayles, Lindsey Mintz and Rori Picker Neiss
• The Forward: My Fellow Jews: Get In the Fight by Melanie Roth Gorelick
• Alma - 20 Books by Black Jewish Authors You Should Read By Emily Burack
• Alma - Stop Using Israel as an Excuse to Not Support Black Lives Matter by Maayan Belding-Zidon
• Tablet - Cops Don’t Make All Jews Feel Safer by Carly Pildis
• Tablet - In Light of Rising Anti-Semitism, Rethinking Black-Jewish Relations by Carly Pildis
• Tablet - Our True Colors by Marra B. Gad
• Jewish Telegraphic Agency - I helped coin the term ‘Jews of color.’ It’s time for a history lesson by Shahanna McKinney Baldon
• Michael Twitty- on the connection between Jewish Food and Soul Food as a Jew of Color
• Black Americans and Jews of color don’t need another short-term ally — we need you to join our fight - JTA
• ‘Believe us’: Black Jews respond to the George Floyd protests, in their own words - JTA
• Jews of Color and the Policing of White Space - Jewish Currents
• What White Jewish-led Institutions Can Do For Racial Justice Now - eJewishPhilanthropy
• transcendingjewishtrauma.com, a powerful resource that we can use to tend to some of the trauma that often overshadows focus + work on racism, among white/Ashkenazi Jews
• A Call to White People: It’s Time to Live in the Answer - The shift from "what's our strategy on this?" to culture change, starting with our own selves

General
• Walking While Black (Garnette Cadogan)
• Audre Lorde’s The Uses of Anger: Women Responding to Racism
• Rachel Elizabeth Cargle’s When Feminism is White Supremacy in Heels
• Ta-Nehisi Coates’s The Case for Reparations
• Why Seeing Yourself Represented on Screen Is So Important (Kimberley Lawson)
• 75 Things White People Can Do for Racial Justice
• Resources for White People to Learn and Talk About Race and Racism

Webinars

• Jewish Council for Public Affairs CRCast: Jews of Color and the American Jewish Community featuring Lacey Schwartz, Be’chol Lashon
• "Black-Jewish Relations: Then and Now" -- a Jewish Council for Public Affairs Civil Rights Mission 2019 Primer with Rabbi Shai Held
• JCPA2020 National Conference: Changing Communities: Black-Jewish Relations in a Time of Growing Antisemitism & Racism with Rabbi Robert Kaplan, JCRC-NY; Carly Pildis, Activist; Rabbi Shais Rishon, Kehilat Ir Chadash
• We Must Sweep Away the Racism Along with the Broken Glass Featuring Rabbi Adam Kligfeld of Temple Beth Am in Los Angeles, who wrote a powerful piece of the same name in the Jewish Journal

Podcasts
• NPR episode about Whistling Vivaldi
• Side Effects of White Women Podcast Episode with Amanda Seales
• Smartest Person in the Room’s episode on Well Meaning White People
• Code Switch podcast A Decade on Watching Black People Die
• Still Processing episode on Kaepernick
• White Lies (NPR)
• The 1619 Project by the New York Times
• Uncivil by Gimlet Media
• The Witness Podcast Network - Pass the Mic