

A DEEPER DIVE: ADDITIONAL RESOURCES FOR “RACE TALKS”

This is a list *in formation!* Below are preliminary resources that provide background information and talking points to assist with race talks. They come from organizations that are featured in *We Too Sing America* and/or sponsor the book. Please email deepa@deepaiyer.com to add to this list with additional suggestions.

General Resources Related to Race

The Advancement Project

Mission: The Advancement Project is a next generation, multi-racial civil rights organization. Rooted in the great human rights struggles for equality and justice, we exist to fulfill America's promise of a caring, inclusive and just democracy. We use innovative tools and strategies to strengthen social movements and achieve high impact policy change.

Website: <http://www.advancementproject.org>

Race Talk Resources:

→ The Social Justice Phrase Guide:

http://b.3cdn.net/advancement/94da835bcf2d3e7631_bfm6yh5kg.pdf

→ School-to-Prison Pipeline Brochure:

http://b.3cdn.net/advancement/03721750a0812a95bd_6im6ih8ns.pdf

Race Forward

Mission: Race Forward advances racial justice through research, media and practice. Founded in 1981, Race Forward brings systemic analysis and an innovative approach to complex race issues to help people take effective action toward racial equity. Race Forward publishes the daily news site [Colorlines](http://www.colorlines.com) and presents [Facing Race](http://www.facingrace.com), the country's largest multiracial conference on racial justice.

Website: www.raceforward.org

Race Talk Resources:

→ Participate in Racial Justice Leadership Institutes (<https://www.raceforward.org/trainings>)

→ What is structural racism? *Short video series featuring Jay Smooth*
(<https://www.raceforward.org/videos/systemic-racism>)

Center for New Community

Mission: The Center for New Community remains committed to countering the reality of racism and bigotry in America. It was founded on the principle that a concerted, long-term effort to address issues of social, economic, and racial justice, is both necessary and achievable.

Website: <http://newcomm.org/>

Race Talk Resource:

→ Reports on activities of racist, nativist, and xenophobic leaders and organizations in the US.

(<http://newcomm.org/programs/resources/>)

→ Blog (<http://imagine2050.newcomm.org/>)

Center for Social Inclusion

Mission: The Center for Social Inclusion works to identify and support policy strategies to transform structural inequity and exclusion into structural fairness and inclusion. We work with community groups and national organizations to develop policy ideas, foster effective leadership, and develop communications tools for an opportunity-rich world in which we all will thrive no matter our race or ethnicity.

Website: www.thecsi.org

Race Talk Resource:

→ *Let's Talk Race: How Racially Explicit Messaging Can Advance Equity*,

<http://www.centerforsocialinclusion.org/lets-talk-about-race-how-racially-explicit-messaging-can-advance-equity/>

Teaching Tolerance: A Project of the Southern Poverty Law Center

Mission: Teaching Tolerance is dedicated to reducing prejudice, improving intergroup relations and supporting equitable school experiences for our nation's children.

Website: www.tolerance.org

Race Talk Resources – especially for educators and parents:

→ *Perspectives for a Diverse America:* anti-bias social justice content with the rigor of the Common Core State Standards (<http://perspectives.tolerance.org/>)

→ Classroom Resources and Lesson Plans on a variety of topics including religion, the Civil Rights Movement, and more (<http://www.tolerance.org/classroom-resources>)

Showing Up For Racial Justice

Mission: SURJ is a national network of groups and individuals **organizing White people** for racial justice. Through community organizing, mobilizing, and education, SURJ moves White people to act as part of a multi-racial majority for justice with passion and accountability. We work to connect people across the country while supporting and collaborating with local and national racial justice organizing efforts. SURJ provides a space to build relationships, skills and political analysis to act for change. We envision a society where we struggle together with love, for justice, human dignity and a sustainable world.

Website: <http://www.showingupforracialjustice.org/>

Race Talk Resources:

→ Resources for organizing, campaigns, leadership
(<http://www.showingupforracialjustice.org/resources>)

Million Hoodies Movement for Justice

Mission: Million Hoodies Movement for Justice is a Black and Brown-led racial justice network that builds next generation leaders to end mass criminalization and gun violence. We are a mass organization of human rights leaders confronting anti-black racism and systemic violence through grassroots organizing, advocacy, and education.

Website: <http://millionhoodies.net/>

Race Talk Resources:

→ Organizing Toolbox (<http://millionhoodies.net/arts/>): tools and resources for advocacy and grassroots organizing work.
→ Arts Network (<http://millionhoodies.net/toolbox/>): rooted in telling the stories of the Black and Brown experience through art-making, education, and solidarity

Resources from Muslim, Arab and South Asian Organizations

DRUM-South Asian Organizing Center

Mission: DRUM – South Asian Organizing Center (formerly Desis Rising Up and Moving) is a multigenerational, membership led organization of low-wage South Asian immigrant workers and youth in New York City.

Website: www.drumnyc.org

Race Talk Resources:

→ *Education, Not Deportation:*

https://cdp.urbanjustice.org/sites/default/files/Education_Not_Deportation_Report_06jun06.pdf

Muslim Advocates

Mission: Muslim Advocates envisions a world in which equality, liberty, and justice are guaranteed for all, regardless of faith, and in which the Muslim American legal community is vital to promoting and protecting these values. In pursuit of this vision, Muslim Advocates' mission is to promote equality, liberty, and justice for all by providing leadership through legal advocacy, policy engagement, and civic education, and by serving as a legal resource to promote the full and meaningful participation of Muslims in American public life.

Website: <https://www.muslimadvocates.org/>

Race Talk Resources:

→ Pair MA's report ([Losing Liberty: The State of Freedom 10 Years After the Patriot Act](#)) with Chapter 2 of *We Too Sing America* to discuss the national security and immigration policies that have affected communities since 9/11.

→ Pair the report with a viewing of [Whose Children Are These?](#), a documentary directed by filmmaker Theresa Thanjan about the impact of the special registration program on families and children.

Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR)

Mission: CAIR's mission is to enhance understanding of Islam, encourage dialogue, protect civil liberties, empower American Muslims, and build coalitions that promote justice and mutual understanding.

Website: www.cair.com/

Race Talk Resources:

→ Anti-Prejudice Tools (<http://www.islamophobia.org/anti-prejudice-tools.html>)

→ Know Your Rights brochure for Muslim youth in school (<https://ca.cair.com/sfba/wp-content/uploads/2014/09/Kids-Know-Your-Rights-Pocket-Guide.pdf>)

- Islamophobia pocket guide (<http://www.cair.com/images/pdf/Islamophobia-Pocket-Guide.pdf>)
- Basic Facts about Islam (<http://www.cair.com/publications/about-islam.html>)

National Network for Arab American Communities (NNAAC)

Mission: Our mission is the development of Arab American community-based nonprofit organizations that understand, meet the needs, and represent the concerns of Arab Americans at a local level, while also collectively addressing those issues at a national level.

Website: <http://www.nnaac.org/>

Race Talk Resources:

- Issue Briefs on Islamophobia, NSEERs, Racial Profiling and Protection of Civil Liberties, etc. (http://www.nnaac.org/advocacy_and_civic_engagement_resource)

Sikh American Legal Defense and Education Fund (SALDEF)

Mission: SALDEF seeks to empower Sikh Americans by building dialogue, deepening understanding, promoting civic and political participation, and upholding social justice and religious freedom for all Americans.

Website: www.saldef.org

Race Talk Resource:

- Turban Myths (<http://online.wsj.com/public/resources/documents/TurbanMyths.pdf>): the first public perception assessment of Sikh Americans.

South Asian Americans Leading Together (SAALT)

Mission: SAALT is a national, nonpartisan, non-profit organization that elevates the voices and perspectives of South Asian individuals and organizations to build a more just and inclusive society in the United States.

Website: www.saalt.org

Race Talk Resources:

- Factsheets about South Asians (<http://saalt.org/resources/reports-and-publications/#factsheets>)
- South Asian Social Justice Session (<http://saalt.org/programs/campus-session/>): 60-90 minute workshop, presentation, or panel led by SAALT staff or community member, focusing on issues affecting South Asian students and developing tools and resources for campus advocacy.
- SAALT Resources on Racial Justice (<http://saalt.org/policy-change/racial-justice/>): briefs, statements, and reports on racial justice, including two reports that track xenophobic political rhetoric since 9/11.