



**MAP** Multi-Agency  
Partnership BC  
*Working Together for Refugee Claimants*

# MAP Member Agency News

Weekly Bulletin # 45

June 10, 2020

## PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



Hear music from **Tamanya-waka**  
from Malawi - [Youtube](#)

SATURDAY JUNE 20

2PM-4PM

# DISTANT BUT TOGETHER

join us to  
celebrate  
world refugee day  
online



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**Dear MAP members,**

How are you doing? That's a common question nowadays and one that MAP wants to focus on during the pandemic and the unrest caused by overt and covert racism – providing support through online MAP meetings, information and a friendly check in. We will keep you up to date with any changes to refugee claimant services as they happen - and ask if you have information that you would like to share with MAP that you let us know ([info@mapbc.org](mailto:info@mapbc.org)).

**MAP's** member agencies meet with clients on a daily basis who have experienced racism and discrimination – and still do. Our colleagues may be in the same place. MAP supports a dialogue on these issues from a standpoint that **racism is never to be tolerated**, and that we must commit to:

- becoming aware of our privilege and how it affects our work, words, decisions or advice
- support systemic changes to shift the power imbalance and social structure in favor of people of colour and minorities

And who could say it better:

***“The ultimate measure of a person is not where one stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where one stands in times of challenge and controversy.” – Martin Luther King, Jr.***

## **NEWS!**

‘MAP’s website feature: Agency of the Month has been updated today and the new agency is **Jumpstart Refugee Talent!** Check out the article [here](#)

Thank you for all you are doing to support vulnerable refugee claimants - especially during these unprecedented times. Stay safe and well - and let's not let social distancing be a barrier to the folks we serve.

**MAP Co-Chairs: Mariana, Richard (& Jenny: Co-Chair Designate) and the other Jenny!**

# News highlights: COVID-19 and refugee claimants June 10, 2020

Please see a list of interesting articles gathered by MAP from across Canada and globally (attached PDF)

Titles:

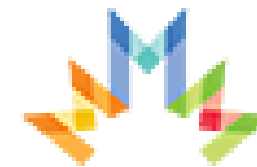
- **Temporary BC rental supplement program (up to \$500/month) available in June**  
BC Housing
- **Immigrant advocates demand permanent status for asylum seekers working in Quebec's long-term care homes**  
CBC
- **A look at actions the Liberal government has taken to counter racism**  
National Post
- **Privileged white people and racism**  
Windsor Star
- **Number of missing vulnerable children soars as safeguarding is cut during pandemic**  
The Observer UK
- **Berlin builds dozens of new refugee housing sites despite falling numbers**  
Deutsche Welle News



Rainbow Refugee Society: Virtual Drop-ins for refugees and refugee claimants:

every Sunday (2-3:30) and Wednesday (7-8:30)

To join, email: [community@rainbowrefugee.ca](mailto:community@rainbowrefugee.ca)



**MOSAIC**

Our online Table Topics for refugee claimants will be hosting on

**Wednesdays from 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm from June 17<sup>th</sup> to July 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020.**

These online sessions will be hosted on Zoom (available on phone or computer).

Clients can register and get the link to join the Zoom sessions by emailing [refugeeclaimant@mosaicbc.org](mailto:refugeeclaimant@mosaicbc.org).

**A poster with more information is attached to this email**, and some answers to FAQs are below.

Please share with any refugee claimant clients who might be interested in exploring a wide variety of social discussion topics, creating new connections, improving spoken English and “meeting” new people.

### **Frequently Asked Questions:**

- ✓ Every Wednesday from 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm
- ✓ Zoom – An online App (can be used on phone or computer)
- ✓ Clients can register any week
- ✓ Farsi and Arabic language support
- ✓ All refugee claimants welcome! Participants can attend even if they are still waiting for their ID

*Please don't hesitate to contact [refugeeclaimant@mosaicbc.org](mailto:refugeeclaimant@mosaicbc.org) if you have any questions.*

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(3 documents attached)

Thanks to the Government of Canada Emergency Community Support Fund, the [Canadian Red Cross COVID-19 Emergency Support to Community Organizations](#) is launching funding through two programs:

1. [Granting Program for Non-Profits](#)
2. [Preventing Disease Transmission Training and Equipment Program](#) for non-profits, registered charities, and qualified donees

Attached is a “Who should apply” document which outlines the funding opportunities through Canadian Red Cross, as well as opportunities through Community Foundations of Canada and United Way Centraide Canada. Also attached are the one-page overviews for both Canadian Red Cross programs mentioned above, which can be found online along with many other helpful supporting documents.

Applications are now open and the deadline is **July 7, 2020**. For any questions on the grants available or eligibility of an organization, please call 1-866-221-2232 (between 8:30 am and 7:00 pm EST) or email [covid19communitysupport@redcross.ca](mailto:covid19communitysupport@redcross.ca)

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As of June 8, 2020, **BC Rent Bank** is announcing a call for an Expression of Interest (EOI) from communities across British Columbia interested in joining the BC Rent Bank network. This EOI is the first phase of a two-phase expansion process that will identify and begin operations as four (4) new rent bank sites across BC by March 2021.

To find the guide and template, please visit, <https://bcrentbank.ca/get-started/>.

We are asking for your help in creating awareness about this EOI, and so please feel free to share within your network.

Kind regards,

**Melissa Giles**

Project Lead - BC Rent Bank  
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[www.bcrentbank.ca](http://www.bcrentbank.ca)



## **BC Newcomer Camp.**

We are running a tech drive campaign in the next two weeks to take our summer camps from in person to online:

### **SUMMER CAMP FOR REFUGEE CHILDREN ASKS PUBLIC FOR TECH AND MONETARY DONATIONS**

**BC Newcomer Camp to pick up donations June 13-16 in the Greater Vancouver area as they transition online for summer 2020. BC Newcomer Camp, which offers free-of-charge summer camps for newly immigrated refugee children, is asking for lightly-used tablets and/or computers and monetary donations to support their transition to virtual camp for summer 2020 amidst the COVID-19 pandemic. British Columbians in the Greater Vancouver area can put their second-hand devices outside their homes for socially-distanced curbside pickup by a BC Newcomer Camp staff member between June 13 - 16. For information on when a team member will be in your neighbourhood and to sign up for curbside pickup visit our website: <https://www.bcnewcomercamp.org/2020-tech-drive>**

Also, BC Newcomer Camp is currently recruiting youth camp leaders (ages 15-29) - ideally candidates are fluent in both English and either Arabic, Farsi, Kurdish, Spanish, Somali, Tigrinya. Camp programming will be delivered completely online this year due to Covid-19. We are funded by the Canada Summer Job's Grant - these are paid positions, 35 hours per week starting in the last week of June till August. Here is the information on our website and how youth can apply: <https://www.bcnewcomercamp.org/get-involved>.

Thanks,  
Bahar

# Jumpstart Refugee Talent June Webinar Events:

1. **Thursday, June 11<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM PST: Crafting the coffee chat webinar – Skill building** (Details below)
2. **Thursday, June 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM PST: World Refugee Day - Storytelling** | Guest speaker, Marco Mendicino, Minister of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship. (registration link in the attached flyer)

## Coffee Chats Webinar Details:

### Why & How?:

The Coffee Chats webinar is designed to address a tremendous gap that many refugees don't utilize in their efforts to search for employment based on the over **100 phone interviews with refugees across Canada** that Jumpstart Refugee Talent team and volunteers have done in the past 8 weeks.

### What?

**Crafting the coffee chat webinar** will focus on how refugees can leverage professional platforms **to start performing the most powerful form of networking for jobs, yet largely underused by them!** The content of the webinar is designed from refugee lenses based on our findings.

### Guest speaker

We are excited to be joined by [Laura Soria](#) Director of People, Culture & Brand at CIBC, but also has an inspiring refugee story herself!

### Calls to Action (Client Level)

We believe these events would be beneficial for all MAP clients,. We would appreciate if you can share our webinar flyer attached and help your clients register : RSVP required ( <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/crafting-the-coffee-chat-tickets-107090763356>)

### Calls to Action (organization Level)

- I. If you have any employment-related events beneficial to refugees, please don't hesitate to share them with us, we are most happy to share your relevant events through our own communication channels.
- II. Additionally, we are busy planning events for the next few months and **open to co-organizing any event with your organization**. Please do not hesitate to reach out with anything you would like to explore. Contact:

**Masa Kateb** , Manager of Projects, Jumpstart Refugee Talent | Vancouver 604-442-2556 / [masa.kateb@jumpstartRefugee.ca](mailto:masa.kateb@jumpstartRefugee.ca)

# FAMILY SUPPORT - WEEKLY WEBINAR

nurturing family resilience in times of uncertainty

## EMILE LÓPEZ

### THURSDAY, JUNE 11, 3-4 PM

FREE! REGISTER: [WWW.BFLGROWSCOMMUNITY.ORG](http://WWW.BFLGROWSCOMMUNITY.ORG)

Learn new practical ideas to help support the mental and physical well-being of your teen.



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FAMILY LIFE**  
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Thank you BC Ministry of Children and Family Development for supporting our work.

Until June 24: Weekly draw of a gift certificate donated by



Register in advance for this webinar:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_YVNDT7JbTL608poUzACZdg](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_YVNDT7JbTL608poUzACZdg)

## Temporary Income Supports in the Time of COVID-19 for Migrant Workers

June 15, 2020 9:30 am - 11:00 am

In response to COVID-19, the Federal Government of Canada introduced various temporary income supports, including the Canada Emergency Response Benefit (CERB), that are available to workers across Canada who are impacted by the pandemic. To aid organizations and individuals who support migrant workers, the Migrant Worker Hub organized this event to seek information on the eligibility for these benefits for those in Canada on a temporary status such as migrant workers.

Webinar speakers, Aileen Mittoni and Brenda Giesbrecht, Citizen Services Specialists, from Service Canada will present the income supports available for migrant workers, how to access these support, and provide further clarification on any questions participants may have.

This webinar is for organizations and individuals who support migrant workers and aims to provide increased capacity and further awareness of the COVID-19 income supports available for migrant workers.

### Event Details & Registration

**Webinar:** Temporary Income Supports in the Time of COVID-19 for Migrant Workers

**Date:** Monday, June 15, 2020

**Time:** 9:30 am to 11:00 am (PDT)

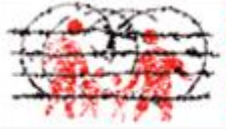
[\*\*CLICK HERE TO REGISTER\*\*](#)

### Presenters

**Aileen Mittoni**, *Citizen Services Specialist*, Service Canada

**Brenda Giesbrecht**, *Citizen Services Specialist*, Service Canada

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Conseil canadien pour les réfugiés  
Canadian Council for Refugees

## Useful information pertaining to work permits from the CCR Consultation with IRCC staff: Monday June 8

The slides and the handout can be found at <https://ln2.sync.com/dl/f383109d0/bcmq9h4y-yd84tyaf-8j7tfxre-kyut8mnb>

The recording of the session is available here: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/recording/2922271416646427151>

## **SUBJECT : Impacts of COVID-19 on Canadians – Parenting During the Pandemic: Share your perspective**

Below is an invitation from **Statistics Canada** to participate in a crowdsourcing initiative to collect data on how the COVID-19 pandemic is impacting families with children under the age of 15. The data you provide will be helpful for making future plans.

### **Invitation from Statistics Canada:**

The COVID-19 pandemic has changed the lives and habits of all Canadians, yet data on the impacts to children and their families is limited. If you are the parent or guardian of children aged 0 to 14, please take a few minutes to complete the questionnaire and feel free to forward this email to others—the more people participate, the better the data.

### **Your participation is important: Your voice matters**

Tell us how the COVID-19 pandemic has affected your family, and how you are adjusting to the challenges of this new reality. This questionnaire focuses on children's activities, child care and school, employment status, and your concerns for your family's overall well-being.

Results will be used by government organizations such as the Public Health Agency of Canada and Employment and Social Development Canada, and other types of organizations, to evaluate the delivery of health and social services and economic support, and to ensure best practices are adopted when reopening workplaces and public spaces.

### **Participating is easy and secure**

Select the following link to participate: [www.statcan.gc.ca/COVIDparenting-questionnaire](http://www.statcan.gc.ca/COVIDparenting-questionnaire)

This survey is conducted under the authority of the *Statistics Act*, which ensures that the information you provide will be kept confidential, and used only for statistical and research purposes.

### **Keep checking back**

In order to collect information on specific topics related to the impacts of the pandemic, the questionnaire will change on a regular basis. Visit [www.statcan.gc.ca/COVID-series-e](http://www.statcan.gc.ca/COVID-series-e) on June 23 to see the next topic and complete a new questionnaire. Your opinion matters to us!

### **For general enquiries and technical assistance**

Contact us Monday to Friday (except holidays), from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. (Eastern Time): 1-877-949-9492 (TTY: 1-800-363-7629)

[infostats@canada.ca](mailto:infostats@canada.ca)

Thank you,

Jean Labbé: Director, Collection Planning and Research Division, Statistics Canada



# Province of British Columbia Virtual Townhall on Anti-Racism in BC

- Friday June 12, 2020 at 3 pm (PDT)
- With Minister Anne Kang, Parliamentary Secretary Ravi Kahlon, and Multicultural Advisory Council members Patricia Barkaskas and Dr. Ismaël Traoré, along with ASL Interpreter Nigel Howard.
- [Submit your questions](#) before 8 am (PDT) on Friday, June 12

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/emergency-preparedness-response-recovery/covid-19-provincial-support/covid-19-townhalls>

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## Participate in the Virtual Townhall

If you don't have a chance to submit your questions ahead of time, you can ask your questions during the virtual townhall on the [B.C. government Facebook page](#).

You can watch the virtual townhall on either Government of [B.C Facebook page](#) and/or [Province of B.C. YouTube](#)

## COVID-19 Townhalls

At upcoming virtual townhalls, British Columbians will have the opportunity to ask questions about BC's Restart Plan and what it looks like moving forward.

Join a BC Restart Plan Townhall

Government's priority is to keep British Columbians safe and informed about the COVID-19 pandemic.

A new series of virtual townhalls on BC's Restart Plan kicked-off on Friday, May 8, with Premier John Horgan and Minister of Finance Carole James.

To learn more about BC's Restart Plan, join us for a discussion on the topics that most interest you.

[Letters for Black Lives](#) is a set of crowdsourced, multilingual, and culturally-aware resources aimed at creating a space for open and honest conversations about racial justice, police violence, and anti-Blackness in our families and communities.

Asian Americans and Canadians wrote a letter in 2016, [which you can read here](#) along with how this project came together.

[Here are the finished translated 2016 Letters](#) (and [Readings](#)): Available translations in Arabic, Bahasa Indonesia, Bahasa Malaysia, Bengali, Portuguese, Chinese (Simplified), Chinese (Traditional), Hindi, Hmong (Green dialect), Hmong (White dialect), Farsi, French, Japanese, Khmer, Korean, Russian, Spanish, Tagalog, Tamil, Telugu, Thai, Urdu, Vietnamese.

And here's some background on how this all began:

- [A Letter From Young Asian-Americans To Their Families About Black Lives Matter](#) (via NPR)
- [Meeting People Where They Are: The Seed Crystal of the Letters for Black Lives Project](#) (via Reappropriate)

A new 2020 effort is underway. [Here's where you can learn more.](#)



## City of Vancouver COVID-19 Multilingual resources:

We are pleased to share that the **Korean, Farsi and Simplified Chinese COVID-19 webpages are live**. Below are links to the City's COVID-19 webpages in seven languages. Huge kudos to the EOC Equity & Inclusion team for this collective effort, particularly our outstanding language access leads, and big thanks to Digital Services.

Please feel free to cascade these resources widely to your teams and networks and via social media if you're able to do so.

Korean: <http://www.vancouver.ca/covid19korean>

Farsi: <http://www.vancouver.ca/covid19farsi>

Vietnamese: <http://www.vancouver.ca/covid19vietnamese>

Tagalog: <http://www.vancouver.ca/covid19tagalog>

Punjabi: <http://www.vancouver.ca/covid19punjabi>

Traditional Chinese: <http://www.vancouver.ca/covid19chinesetraditional>

Simplified Chinese: <http://www.vancouver.ca/covid19chinesesimplified>

Lara Honrado

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Equity & Inclusion Officer  
Emergency Operations Centre  
City of Vancouver



## ONLINE: English Conversation Circle for Refugee Claimants (Beginners)

Every Tuesday 11:00 am—12:00 pm

June 16—July 28, 2020

We will “meet” each week on Zoom (an app on your phone or computer)

- Practice your English
- Talk to new people
- Learn more about life in Canada

You can register any week! To get the link, please email Parisa at [proofigari@mosaicbc.org](mailto:proofigari@mosaicbc.org)

## MOSAIC CONVERSATION CIRCLES

Our online English Conversation Circle for Refugee Claimants (Beginners) will be hosted on **Tuesdays from 11:00 am – 12:00 pm from June 16<sup>th</sup> to July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2020.**

Clients can register and get the link to join the Zoom sessions by emailing Parisa at [proofigari@mosaicbc.org](mailto:proofigari@mosaicbc.org).

Please share with any refugee claimant clients who might be interested in practicing their English and learn more about life in Canada!

### Frequently Asked Questions:-

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- ✓ Zoom – An online App (can be used on phone or computer)
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Please don't hesitate to contact Parisa via email at [proofigari@mosaicbc.org](mailto:proofigari@mosaicbc.org) if you have any questions. Have a great day!



WelcomeBC



MAP (Multi-Agency Partnership) BUREAU JUNE 10, 2020

Dear Kinbrace friends,

**Employment Opportunity!**

The **Accessing Refugee Protection Coordinator** leads Kinbrace's Accessing Refugee Protection Program to optimize hearing readiness for refugee claimants in Canada.

If this job interests you, **please read the attachment in PDF** and follow up

It's a unique role developed over many years by Fran Gallo, who has decided the time has come to move on to other opportunities. As the sun sets on her remarkable contribution, we anticipate the dawn of who and what is next.

Thank you for your attentiveness and consideration,

Loren Balisky

Director of Engagement

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Please see the **latest BC Refugee Hub Bulletin** for the first quarter of 2020.

<http://bcrefugeehub.ca/refugee-claimant-bulletin-january-march-2020/>

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## Webinar: Mental Wellness & Community Collective Care

The impacts of COVID-19 disproportionately affect vulnerable individuals and communities such as newcomers. A pandemic can be considered a collective trauma and some literature shows that living through a pandemic can increase rates of depressions, anxiety, domestic violence, and PTSD.

For newcomers who may have come from a background that included war, fear, uncertainty, and food instability, this can be an especially re-traumatizing time. There is a need to discuss how to support clients in a trauma-informed way while resisting burnout, compassion fatigue, and vicarious trauma - all in the time of a pandemic and with a focus on community-building and community collective care. In the face of a pandemic, there is a need to go deeper than the "self-care" we are normally prescribed and look at Community Collective Care and how we can support ourselves and our communities - and resisting burnout through our work.

This webinar is suitable for all newcomer serving staff and will look beyond everyday mental health resources and basic self-care and will explore the mental and emotional impacts of a pandemic (on individuals and communities) and how we can care for one another throughout.

### Event Details & Registration

- **Webinar:** Mental Wellness & Community Collective Care
- **Date:** Thursday, June 11, 2020
- **Time:** 9:30 am to 11:30 am (PDT)
- **Location:** Online | You will receive the web link via email after registering  
(Please note that this webinar will not be recorded or available for later viewing)

[\*\*CLICK HERE TO REGISTER\*\*](#)

### Presenter



**Vikki Reynolds** PhD RCC is an activist/therapist from Vancouver, Canada, who works to bridge the worlds of social justice activism and therapy. Vikki is a white settler of Irish, Newfoundland and English folks, and a heterosexual woman with cisgender privilege. Her experience includes supervision and therapy with peers, activists, and other workers responding to the opioid epidemic/poisonings, torture and political violence, sexualized violence, mental health and substance misuse, homelessness and legislated poverty and working alongside gender and sexually diverse communities. Vikki is an Adjunct Professor and has written, keynoted and presented internationally on the subjects of 'Witnessing Resistance' to oppression/trauma, ally work, resisting 'burnout' with justice-doing, a supervision of solidarity, ethics, and innovative group work. Vikki's articles and keynotes are available free on her website: [www.vikkireynolds.ca](http://www.vikkireynolds.ca)

QUESTIONS?

Send an email to  
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## **Webinars for entrepreneurs:**

(FROM BURNABY LIP: 2 PAGES)

**Futurpreneur** is offering webinars around entrepreneurship and self-employment. To access list of webinars and dates please check:

<https://www.futurpreneur.ca/en/microsites/rock-my-business-plan/>

All webinars can be accessed from anywhere in Canada, the only difference is the showing times per province.

## **Pride Webinars in Burnaby:**

As we approach the next Burnaby Pride online celebration – July 25<sup>th</sup>, the City Centre Community Centre is offering a free Pride Webinar Series, facilitated by Cicely Belle Blain, CEO of Cicely Blain Consulting and an instructor of Executive Leadership at SFU. Cicely is an equity, diversity and inclusion consultant, activist, public speaker and writer.

### **Intro to LGBTQ2S+ Identities**

Wed, June 10, 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM PDT

- \* Understand the terms in the LGBTQ2S+ acronym and beyond
- \* Develop skills to appropriately use pronouns
- \* Develop inclusive language skills

Register: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/pride-webinar-series-intro-to-lgbtq2s-identities-tickets-106011481194?aff=erelpanelorg>



## **A History of Pride**

Mon, 13 July, 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM PDT

- \* Understand the radical origins of Pride
- \* Learn about key figures in LGBTQ2S+ history
- \* Understand political differences in contemporary LGBTQ2S+ communities.

<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/pride-webinar-series-a-history-of-pride-tickets-106011681794?aff=erelpanelorg>

## **Creating Inclusive Pride Events by City Centre Community Centre**

Thu, August 6, 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM PDT

In This Webinar:

Creating Inclusive Pride Events

- \* Enhance inclusive language skills
- \* Intro to event accessibility
- \* Understand different aspects of a big community

<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/pride-webinar-series-creating-inclusive-pride-events-tickets-106011772064?aff=erelpanelorg>



## **From the Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia, The Honourable Janet Austin, OBC:**

Over the past few months, British Columbians have pulled together to vanquish COVID-19, and we have witnessed many acts of kindness and selfless generosity. Sadly, however, our success has been marred by recent incidents of race-based violence and discrimination. I strongly condemn these racist acts; they have no place in our province or our country. I ask you to join me, alongside leaders in government, business and social services, in pledging to uphold the Canadian values of diversity and inclusion and to oppose racism and hate in all its forms. We are stronger when we are #DifferentTogether.

<https://ltgov.bc.ca/blog/equality-and-inclusion/differenttogether-join-me-in-opposing-racism/>

### **Take the #DifferentTogether Pledge:**

Join me in sharing the #DifferentTogether pledge on social media and encouraging others to take part.

### **Ways to Participate in Three Easy Steps:**

Download the #DifferentTogether pledge graphic for [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) or [Instagram](#).

Share it on social media and tag five friends, family members, or leaders in your community.

Encourage them to do the same.

I also encourage you to share a video of yourself highlighting your commitment to opposing racism, and upload it to social media using the hashtag #DifferentTogether.

### **Alison Dudley**

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## [Support Local Black-led Organizations \[pivotlegal.org\]](https://pivotlegal.org)



[\[pivotlegal.org\]](https://pivotlegal.org)

Individuals, communities and organizations are looking for ways to actively support Black people's struggle for liberation. As an organization committed to social justice work, we recognize our duty to uplift Black voices and identify the impacts of anti-Black racism across our work.

To this end we hope you will donate funds to two local Black-led organizations currently raising funds: [Hogan's Alley Society \[hogansalleysociety.org\]](https://hogansalleysociety.org) & [Black in BC Community Support Fund for COVID-19 \[ca.gofundme.com\]](https://ca.gofundme.com)

*If you donate \$20 or more, send a screenshot of your donation and mailing address to [getinvolved@pivotlegal.org](mailto:getinvolved@pivotlegal.org) and we will send you a hardcopy of "Know Your Rights Handbook: A guide for people who rely on public space."*

**\*\*We understand that not everyone may have financial capacity to make donations and we will provide free copies of the guide for people who rely on public space. If you need a hardcopy of the guide and cannot donate, please let us know. The guide can also be found online at: <https://www.pivotlegal.org/know-your-rights-handbook> [\[pivotlegal.org\]](https://pivotlegal.org)**

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