

# DETROIT ANTIRACIST RESOURCES FOR BEGINNERS

*Last updated: June 12th, 2020*

*You can IMMEDIATELY begin the journey of unlearning racism AND use your white/white-passing privilege/power to DIRECTLY AIDE antiracist efforts.*

*For questions or if you have additional resources to contribute, please email [bonjourjenna@gmail.com](mailto:bonjourjenna@gmail.com).*

## **Detroit organizations you can donate to RIGHT NOW:**

[Detroit Justice Center](#) - Non-profit law firm working alongside communities to create economic opportunities, transform the justice system, and promote equitable and just cities.

[NAACP Detroit](#) - Demanding justice and civil rights.

[Detroit Urban League](#) - Human services and advocacy organization providing critical services to disadvantaged citizens.

[Detroit Action](#) - Community-based organization fighting for political power, racial and economic justice for working-class Detroiters.

[Ruth Ellis Center](#) - Providing resources and a supportive community/environment for Detroit LGBTQ+ young people.

[Michigan Collaborative to End Mass Incarceration](#) - A local collaborative of over 50 organizations and hundreds of individuals all working towards the same goal.

## **Detroit organizations you can actively participate in RIGHT NOW:**

[Detroit Will Breathe](#) - Leading the People's March (daily protests in the city). Meet at Michigan & 3rd, every day 4pm.

[Detroit Anarchist Black Cross](#) - Start letter writing today, you can also join their virtual collaboration spaces.

[Metro-Detroit Political Action Network](#) - Follow on social media for ways to participate in peaceful protesting, mutual aid, and more.

## **Bite-size videos you can watch RIGHT NOW:**

[Systemic Racism Explained](#) - 5 minute video.

[Why Cities Are Still So Segregated](#) - 6 minute video.

[The Internet is Dead Without Net Neutrality](#) - 3 minute video.

[What is Privilege?](#) - 5 minute video.

[White Privilege](#) - 4 minute video.

## **Books you can buy RIGHT NOW and spend a few days or weeks absorbing. Take notes. Like, literal notes in a notebook. Start a book club. Anything.**

*The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness*, by Michelle Alexander.

[Conversations in Black: On Power, Politics, and Leadership](#), by Ed Gordon.

*How to Be an Antiracist*, by Ibram X. Kendi

*The Color of Law: A Forgotten History of How Our Government Segregated America*, by Richard Rothstein

*The Origins of the Urban Crisis: Race and Inequality in Postwar Detroit*, by Thomas J. Sugrue

*White Fragility: Why It's So Hard for White People to Talk About Racism*, by Robin DiAngelo