

Human Rights & Equity Committee Newsletter February 2024



Black History Month is a dedicated time to honor and celebrate the contributions of Black Americans throughout history, including the present with emphasis on achievements that have been impactful domestically and abroad. It is an opportunity to engage in stories that provide historical context and highlight accomplishments that are often overlooked and not discussed in the standard history books. Let us dedicate time and space for our Black brothers and sisters, to hear their stories of both, resilience and excellence. It's also a great month to explore shopping from Black businesses- because economic justice is social justice. Finally, this month allows us to reflect on how far we have come, yet how much further we have to go and decide what our role will be in this work. Be sure to check out any events in your area offering opportunities for learning and exploring throughout the month and beyond!

Resources to Explore

- [History of BHM](#)
- [Black Scientists](#)
- [Innovation in STEM](#)
- [Inventions we use daily](#)
- [BHM 2024 through Art- Smithsonian](#)
- [NPR BHM 2022 Series](#)
- Black contribution in aviation
 - [FAA Keynote Remarks](#)
 - [Black Wings book](#)
 - [Cornelius Coffey](#)
 - [Bessie Coleman](#)
 - [Tuskegee Airmen](#)
 - [Aviation Heroes](#)
 - [Domestic and Global contributors](#)
- [Social Changes in the Airline Industry](#)
- Wealth Gap
 - [Racial wealth gap and other inequities](#)
 - [How Economic Justice Helps Achieve Racial Justice](#)
 - [Black Wall Street: Tulsa Race Massacre](#)
- [Shop Black-Owned](#)
- [Equal Justice Initiative & Calendar](#)
- [Movie Recommendations](#) (Also recommended: Hidden Figures and Rustin)
- [Ted Talk BHM Playlist- Insightful Talks](#)

IMPORTANT DATES

- 1-7 World Interfaith Harmony Week
- 04 Int'l Day of Human Fraternity
- 06 Int'l Day of Zero Tolerance to Female Genital Mutilation
- 11 Int'l Day of Women and Girls in Science Day
- 13 World Radio Day
- 14 Valentine's Day
- 17 Global Tourism Resilience Day
- 19 Presidents' Day
- 20 World Day of Social Justice
- 21 Int'l Mother Language Day



“TRUTH IS POWERFUL, AND IT PREVAILS.”

– SOJOURNER TRUTH