

Stanford Talisman stands in solidarity with the Black community and Black Lives Matter movement, now and forever. We are outraged by the systemic racism, white supremacy, and the blatant disregard for Black life and wellbeing, in the United States and around the world. We mourn for George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, Ahmaud Arbery, Iyanna Dior, Tony McDade, João Pedro, Eric Garner, Trayvon Martin, Michael Brown, and countless others who have been senselessly murdered in acts of police brutality. We mourn for the more than 20,000 African American lives lost due to COVID-19, economic disparity, and social inequity that continues to go unaddressed.

Talisman's goal is to use our voice and platform to amplify important stories. Many of these narratives are Black narratives, from the anti-apartheid movement in South Africa, the American civil rights movement, and other communities within the diaspora. We must continue and increase our dedication to supporting Black voices, stories, and history. In these times, we cannot be silent. We must take action.

Black lives matter. Black health matters. Black voices matter.

Internally, we must educate ourselves on Black history, support our Black members, and perpetually evaluate our responsibility and place in this movement. Externally, we must work to share Black stories and songs with respect, amplify the Black voices in our local Stanford and Bay Area communities, support Black-led movements, and be actively anti-racist. We are currently bringing our Talisman family together to fundraise for Black Lives Matter organizations and to sing for community healing and in protest. We will also be using our platform to fundraise with our supporters and the wider Stanford community.

It is our duty and privilege to use our platform to support the Black community. We stand with you.

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Please find a list of anti-racist and Black Lives Matter resources in our bio.