CW: Racism, Racial Violence

Stanford Women in Politics Statement of Solidarity

Stanford Women in Politics supports the Black community throughout, and beyond, this time of crisis.
Black Lives Matter.
Black Womxn's Lives Matter.
Breonna Taylor, Ahmaud Arbery, George Floyd, Tanisha Anderson, Sandra Bland, Tony McDade, and Nina Pop are some of the many victims of racist violence that has been part of this country since its founding.

This is a Feminist issue. Feminism has historically perpetuated systemic racism with deliberate exclusion and the silencing of Black, BIPOC, disabled, and LGBTQ+ communities. If we fail to challenge this, we are complicit. We must educate others and ourselves in a commitment to fighting anti-Black culture, racist violence, and institutionalized discrimination as we fight patriarchy.

This is political. Our elected leaders have failed the Black community time and time again. We, as future public servants, recognize this. Racism is core to the United States's political and legal systems. Black womxn face the dual barriers of sexism and racism in their fight for liberation. Black communities face ongoing disenfranchisement. Gender equality means recognizing intersections in oppression and taking action against them all.

This is not just a statement. We are committed to personal and collective action. We will be engaging in ongoing discussions and events incorporating an intersectional lens, working to partner with other groups and support womxn of color across campus communities. We will continue to learn and unlearn, and fight for an end to oppression.

This is our current document of resources, there are many others we will continue to learn from.