

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24

GSA Day for Racial Justice

An annual day of action to mobilize for racial justice & celebrate the multiple identities held by TQ2S+ youth

This year's theme:

**We call for Decolonization and Reparations for all
Indigenous and Black Peoples**

#GSADAY4RJ

1. What does the theme mean to you?

Learning the histories of indigenous folks!!

Recognition and accountability amongst everyone. especially amongst people who are not Indigenous and Black -- educating others!!!

Also connecting to how reparations and decolonization would support TQ2S+ people, community

Recognizing the history and impact of past/current colonization and racism in this country, Repairing relations and taking accountability through direct action

Give it BACK...
For example
power, land,
culture,
traditions,
autonomy

unpacking the history of colonization and working towards meaningful reparations and support for the communities most impacted

promoting understanding between BIPOC and non-BIPOC people by teaching about all areas of history, not just the watered-down version often taught in school

THEME: We call for Decolonization and Reparations for all Indigenous and Black Peoples

2. What does decolonization or reparations mean to you?

Decolonization and reparations mean tearing down oppressive systems that continue to harm people of color. It also means to place resources within the hands and neighborh

acknowledging the barriers put in place for people of color and helping overcome those barriers

Listening to more Black and Indigenous leaders!!!

decolonization means having indigenous people in power + fighting back against environmental racism (pipelines). Land taxes, giving the tools necessary to succeed to the oppressed

Leveling power dynamics between the majority and the minority. Reaching across barriers,

enact change in oppressive systems and oppression within systems !!! end the evident discrimination, give back resources, and teach abt history so we don't repeat it

Reparations means an in depth tabulation of all that was lost and taken from indigenous and black communities since colonization and the trans Atlantic slave trade and returning it

Reclaiming indigenous and black heritage and rebuilding communities and cultures

self-determination over their

3. How can you practice decolonization and reparations in your everyday life?

Always being conscience about systems of oppression around you and making sure not to unintentionally play into stereotypes or harmful mindsets

Learning about the land I live on and find the true history of the folks who lived on the land

Give credit when due (hair, recipes, music, clothes, ect), effort into learning about other cultures, education.

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having conversations with families that have wealth about where that wealth comes from and redistributing it to black and indigenous communities, organizations, efforts

taking time to learn about lesser-known parts of history and the ways that discrimination is ingrained into our society, as well as how we can help fix that

educating myself and others on ACTUAL indigenous & black history. + promote calling people out on misinformation and blatant racism.

Contribute a monthly amount to land I was occupying

4. What does healing look like for you?

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needs, not
constantly feeling
the need to appeal
to others

Healing is the
unpacking of trauma
and focusing on the
mind body and soul.
It's focuses on
emotional justice and
creating a counter
narrative from that

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into the source of
emotions surrounding
the trauma and fully
processing it while
tending to its roots

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5. How can we establish collective healing as a community?

building trust and vulnerability and honest communication with others, folks who can give you good feedback when you hurt others and also give loving support



Speak out, be sure you are not silenced (be louder than your oppressor), building community,

addressing how trauma affects different people in different ways

Host community space with folks with similar identities and mental health professionals to support folks

Engaging in tough conversations, being open minded, finding the root causes of issues and addressing them

allowing yourself to be vulnerable and respectful towards each other. don't be afraid to voice your concerns and ask for help <3 go out of your way to be kind and considerate !!



Forming solidarity with other communities, sharing resources, and looking out for one another to ensure all of us can thrive together

Continue the conversation



