

YEAR ONE | 2021

# **IMPACT REPORT**

YWCA Racial Justice League Delivers on Promise of Multi-Level Impact!

### Introduction

Recognizing the critical need for racial justice, anti-racist policies, and partnerships to advance diversity, equity and inclusion, YWCA Metropolitan Chicago launched the Racial Justice League in July 2020. Building on the YWCA's century of work in direct services and public policy advocacy to promote racial justice and personal empowerment, the League has already had a tremendous impact!

## THE PLEDGE

We pledge to come together, and commit to act for the greater good. Until the land of the free is free of racism. Until the home of the brave is brave enough to change. Until "by the people" and "for the people" means doing right by all the people. UNTIL JUSTICE JUST IS.

> Take The Pledge at: untiljusticejustis.org

# Racial Justice League: YEAR IN REVIEW

Members have benefitted from the YWCA's expert support and guidance to help them become effectively anti-racist, including regular convenings, utilization of Inclusion Chicago services, resource library and customized engagement. **192** Individual Members

+ **36** Corporate Members

\$1,330,000

Total Funds Generated



## Community Impact



\*as of May 3, 2021



#### WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

People obtained industry credentials and access to jobs in the last year.





The over \$1.3 million generated have advanced our services for communities of color in the areas of food security, childcare assistance, mental health counseling, vaccine education and distribution, and workforce development.

We played a critical role in advocating for the creation and passing of consequential anti-racist legislation. The Racial Impact Note, part of Illinois HB 158, allows for a legislator to ask for a temporary pause on the progress of a piece of legislation to take a closer look at its potential impact on different racial and ethnic groups in the state.

## Corporate Member Impact

"Our commitment to get the work done, along with the impact of that work, is made stronger with partners like the Racial Justice League and its members."

- Jamie Grasso, Paylocity

"The YWCA's near-century of delivering measurable results in its mission of eliminating racism and empowering women serves as a strong inspiration to our actions every day."

– Sharon Zackfia, William Blair

"They have provided us a unique opportunity to gain a deeper understanding of the real issues, and how we can help address some of those through the lens of empowering women through homeownership."

- Lucy Baird, Baird & Warner

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In the last year, the RJL held **3 convenings**, giving members the opportunity to learn and share best practices.

More than 20% of RJL members have taken advantage of custom engagement opportunities at least once.

## Individual Member Impact





3,643

Views of resources on the Until Justice Just Is site.

\*as of May 14, 2021

## **Corporate Members**



View a full list of Individual Racial Justice League members at: https://untiljusticejustis.org/individual-members/

## Together, we can end racism once and for all.

We invite you to initiate or renew membership in the YWCA Racial Justice League and take steps, small and large, to be part of the change.

More information can be found at: www.UntilJusticeJustIs.org

Contact us at: racialjusticeleague@ywcachicago.org



