

Advocacy Committee



Proclaiming the Christian Response to Injustice

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul - Ontario Regional Council

This Newsletter serves to keep our Social Justice Reps and interested Vincentians up to date regarding advocacy issues. It suggests specific actions individual Vincentians can take to help our neighbours in need achieve a better life. Please consider distributing it electronically to the rest of your conference members.

ACTION CENTRAL

Now is the time to speak out on behalf of ALL of our neighbours in need.

Dignity for all people....

In addition to an awareness of the inequities and challenges brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic, these past few months have also seen a worldwide awareness of the challenges and inequities that the Black, Indigenous, and People of Colour (BIPOC) communities face on a daily basis. The Black Lives Matter movement has been extremely effective in bringing this message to the forefront.

As Vincentians, we must acknowledge the worth and dignity of all persons. We personally witness how racism contributes to the poverty experienced by so many of the neighbours in need that we assist.

We need to engage ourselves and our fellow Christians to be more aware of how systemic racism and barriers ingrained within our institutions serve as barriers to so many people.

Learn How Racism contributes to poverty – [ANTI-RACISM RESOURCES](#)
See the Vincentian response to Racism – [BLACK LIVES DO MATTER](#)
Support Anti-Racism in Ontario Curriculum – [TEACH ANTI-RACISM IN ONTARIO SCHOOLS](#)
Let's Talk About Diversity and Anti-Racism – [LET'S TALK ABOUT RACISM AND DIVERSITY](#)

Rebuilding the Social Safety Net...

Take action NOW to make significant progress in the following areas by clicking on these links:

Ending Homelessness... [END HOMELESSNESS PETITION](#)

Supporting Basic Universal Income... [SUPPORT BASIC UNIVERSAL INCOME](#)

Low income Canadians do not have the same opportunity to safeguard their children's health by having them attend school online due to the high cost of internet access.

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