



A Statement From Goodwill Southern California

Pain. Frustration. Outrage. Like so many others in our community and across the country, we are sick with heavy hearts over another senseless death. A graphic and disturbing reminder of the ongoing racism and systemic oppression of the Black community. And while we take the time to grieve, to protest, and to care for one another, one meaningful and lasting way that we can respond that honors the Black community and all of the lives lost is to come together and change things now. We all have a role to play in making this change happen.

At Goodwill Southern California, our mission of serving those with significant barriers to employment begins with the belief that every person in our community has great value. That belief demands of us to do our part to tear down the barriers of racial injustice. It demands of us to rise up and use what influence we have to effect change. And it demands of us to stand in solidarity with like-minded community members, leaders, and organizations.

We stand in solidarity because it will take all of our voices to make this change.

We stand in solidarity because strong Black communities make us all strong.

We stand in solidarity because we are stronger when we love and see great value in each other.

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