

**Thank you for attending YWCA Greater Pittsburgh's
August 19 YW Wednesdays Action Conversation on Race!**

And special thanks to our panelists, Vethina Hage, Strategy Officer, [URA Housing Opportunity Fund](#), Katie McAuley, Director of Programs at [Rebuilding Together Pittsburgh](#), and De'Shawna McHenry, Homebuyer and Financial Counselor at [Neighborworks Western PA](#)! Key action steps presented in our August Conversation that you can take to foster racial equity in housing include:

- Research and support local legislation to support fair and equitable housing;
- Provide feedback to the URA during public feedback sessions;
- Attend Housing Opportunity Fund Advisory Board Meetings on the 1st Thursday of every month at 9 am on City of Pittsburgh's YouTube channel;
- Participate in advocacy;
- Let your connections know that homeownership is attainable;
- Share resources on available workshops and programs;
- Eliminate Source of Income as a discriminatory practice; and
- Donate time and money.

The links below provide further reading and resources. If you would like to talk more or have an idea for a future conversation, please feel free to reach out to Barbara Johnson, Senior Director, Center for Race and Gender Equity at bjohnson@ywcapgh.org.

- [Fair Housing Partnership Greater Pittsburgh](#)
- [14 minute video explaining redlining](#)
- [Article about redlining by Ta-Nehisi Coates](#)
- [CMU's CREATE Lab website](#)
- [Market Watch analysis of wealth gap and racism](#)
- [8-minute interview on 'The Color Of Law,' explaining how U.S. housing policies created segregation](#)
- [How to report housing discrimination in Pittsburgh](#)
- For legal assistance for eviction protection or rental assistance, or resources for land/tenant mediation, healthcare, and food and utility assistance, contact Pittsburgh-wide hotline at (412) 534-6600 or support@renthelppgh.zendesk.com
- If you need help with rental/mortgage assistance call United Way 2-1-1 for Housing Stabilization Program.

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- YWCA Greater Pittsburgh's Resource Center also has help available. [Click here to apply.](#)
- [URA programs and resources](#)
- [NeighborWorks Mortgage Assistance](#)
- [NeighborWorks Homeowner Assistance](#)

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September 16, 2020 at 12:00pm. [Register on Zoom.](#)