We at New Avenues for Youth are angered and heartbroken by the constant violence, racism, and injustice that Black community members, colleagues, friends, and partners experience every day in America. We know that institutionalized white supremacy and anti-Blackness have persisted for centuries and that we must remain committed to continuous anti-racist values and actions.

The intersection of race and homelessness is stark and undeniable. While representing 13% of the general population nationally, Black people make up more than 40% of individuals experiencing homelessness. This overrepresentation directly correlates to the racism our society has institutionalized since the country’s founding and the continued inequities and injustices that Black people experience every day.

New Avenues stands in solidarity with the Black community and all those protesting in this powerful movement. We support efforts and actions toward restorative justice and equitable access to resources. We affirm the experiences of Black communities and our unwavering support for Black community members. We are in this fight.

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About New Avenues for Youth

New Avenues for Youth is a nonprofit organization dedicated to the prevention and intervention of youth homelessness. Since 1997, our programs and services have impacted more than 20,000 young people as they work to overcome barriers, pursue their goals, and realize their potential. From supporting basic needs like meals and counseling to providing opportunities for education, job training, employment, and housing, we meet youth where they are—and help them get where they want to go.