



Official BCB Statement - 6/3/2020

The Brewcity Bruisers firmly believe that we must be vocally anti-racist, and we are calling on our league members, fans, and the roller derby community as a whole to take action and join us as we listen, learn, educate, and work toward becoming better allies.

BCB denounces the unequal treatment, violence, and blatant disregard for Black lives. We recognize that there needs to be mass reform within our police force and criminal justice system, and that white privilege and systemic racism can be found within every American institution, including roller derby.

The BCB Board of Directors promises to examine how white supremacy and systemic racism has molded our sport and how our policies and procedures may perpetuate this racism and exclusivity. We not only stand in solidarity with the Black community, but also commit to address and correct any implicit bias within our own organization. We pledge to support, make space for, and listen to Black voices.

We ask that everyone, especially white people, use this time to learn about the American history of systemic racism, to have those difficult conversations with friends and family, and to support Black-owned businesses and organizations.

We all have a part to play in fixing this. Take a look at the educational resources below and find out more about local and national organizations who need your support, especially in these times.

Educational Resources:

WhiteAccomplices.org

[Anti-Racism for Kids 101](#)

[Ibram X. Kendi's Antiracist Reading List](#)

[How White People Can Be Better Allies to the Black Community](#)

[75 Things White People Can Do for Racial Justice](#)

Local Orgs:

[Leaders Igniting Transformation](#)

[America's Black Holocaust Museum](#)

[American Civil Liberties Union - Wisconsin](#)

[Big Brothers Big Sisters of Metro Milwaukee](#)

National Orgs:

[Reclaim the Block](#)

[Black Visions](#)

[Minnesota Freedom Fund](#)

[Racial Justice / Bail Fund Donation](#)