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Take a *Stand Against Racism* YWCA Announces a Call to Action for Racial Justice

Hartford, CT- On Friday, April 29, participants nationwide will raise their voices to rid our society of racism of any kind. [Stand Against Racism](#) is a program of YWCA aimed at raising awareness that racism still exists in our communities and that it can no longer be ignored or tolerated. YWCA Hartford Region is inviting organizations to join them in taking a *Stand Against Racism* by becoming a participating site.

Participation in the *Stand Against Racism* is free and becoming a participating site is simple. Participating sites will hold their own *Stand Against Racism* event at their location. The event can be private, or open to the public. YWCA will provide all the necessary materials and documents. An organization's "Stand" can range from lunchtime gatherings at the workplace to larger scale stands like rallies and marches. No matter what shape the "Stand" takes at each participating site, all activities should echo the theme "racism is unacceptable!"

"Racism affects every aspect of our lives, education, housing, healthcare, jobs, and economic advancement" said Caroline Mitchell, Director of Racial Justice and Advocacy for YWCA Hartford Region. "Strength comes from numbers. We have the power to make an impact. Together we will stand as allies to rid our society of injustice and discrimination," she added.

Join YWCA Hartford Region and more than 50 participating sites on April 29th throughout the Hartford area in the fight to eliminate racism. To learn more, or to sign up please visit www.StandAgainstRacism.org or contact: Caroline L. Mitchell at: carolinem@ywc Hartford.org or 860-525-1163, ext. 218.

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Established in 1867, YWCA Hartford Region is the third oldest affiliate of YWCA, a women's membership movement dedicated to **eliminating racism, empowering women and promoting peace, justice, freedom and dignity for all**. YWCA Hartford Region provides programs and services in the greater Hartford Region including child care, supportive housing, teen leadership

development, racial justice awareness, financial literacy and economic empowerment. For more information, visit www.ywcahartford.org and follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).