LA vs Hate: Summer of Solidarity Toolkit

ABOUT SUMMER OF SOLIDARITY

Summer of Solidarity is a summerlong activation, which will launch on May 21st, World Cultural Diversity Day, inviting us all to take a stance against hate. Throughout the summer, we will uplift and celebrate cultural moments and traditions, partners, and community leaders and members - showcasing that solidarity is stronger than hate. We ask our partners to engage their communities and create your own organization's summer events centered around the theme of solidarity and celebration of our diversity and appreciation for other cultures.

LA vs Hate: Summer of Solidarity

is an opportunity to connect with our communities, embrace the rich diversity of LA County, and show that all cultures are welcomed and respected. Visit the links below to learn how you can get involved with your community throughout the summer and learn more about LA vs Hate resources.

ACCESS OUR COMMUNITY EVENTS CALENDAR

LEARN MORE ABOUT REPORTING HATE WITH 211

SHARE LA VS HATE DIGITAL CONTENT

ABOUT LA VS HATE

LA vs Hate is a community-centered system designed to support all residents of Los Angeles County. Led by the Human Relations Commission, LA vs Hate partners with community partners from all five County districts, representing a diverse coalition of voices committed to ending hate. The system aims to address the normalization of hate and inspire people to stand up to it, build understanding about what constitutes a hate act and how to report it, as well as support individuals and communities as they heal from the trauma of hate. By tracking and reporting hate, we can ensure that resources are allocated appropriately, that those targeted by hate receive the support they need, and that together, we can build respectful and resilient communities. See LAvsHate.org for more information.

Ways to engage with LA vs Hate: Summer of Solidarity

PROMOTE LA VS HATE: SUMMER OF SOLIDARITY EVENTS AND RESOURCES

Working together, we can engage communities across LA County to get involved with our summer programming through a variety of activities and opportunities that build solidarity and cultural appreciation. Here are some ideas of how to get your community members involved:

• Join Us at Our Five (and Growing!) LA vs Hate Community Mural Unveiling Events

To get more information about the upcoming LA vs Hate mural unveiling events, check out our **events calendar**. The first mural unveiling event will be on Sunday, June 4th and will celebrate the Jewish community and fight antisemitism.

 Share Information on Community Workshops and Events

Spread the word and encourage residents to participate in the LA vs Hate community mural unveilings and special events. Your outreach can also help with our community mural workshops, where we will be asking community members for input and ideas on how to best celebrate different community groups.

Promote Collateral and Merchandise

Promote our campaign collateral page where community members can choose from a collection of posters, banners, lawn signs, and more that they can display in their homes, businesses, classrooms etc.

Check Out Our Digital Resources

Direct community members to our **digital content library** to download our GIFs and share messages of love, solidarity, and inclusion on their social channels. For those who want to be allies and support our program, below is a sample post and copy that can be shared.



Post Copy:

I stand in solidarity with LA vs Hate and believe in creating a hate-free LA where we celebrate cultural diversity and welcome all! #LAvsHate **Spread the Word About Library Resources** Share information with community members about visiting any LA County library to get a book from the Summer of Solidarity Book List or visiting a Library Resource Center to get more information and learn about different cultures:

- American Indian Resource Center in Huntington Park
- Asian Pacific Resource Center in Rosemead
- Black Resource Center in Willowbrook
- Chicano Resource Center in East LA

Explore Public Events Hosted by the County

Visit LA County Parks & Recreation to find out more about their summer programming including their Juneteenth and Pride Month activities happening in various park locations.

Visit Museums or Cultural Centers

There are a variety of museums and institutions across LA County that residents can visit to educate themselves on the history, practices, and traditions of different ethnic groups such as:

- California African American Museum in Exposition
 Park
- Pacific Asia Museum in Pasadena
- Skirball Cultural Center in Brentwood
- Autry Museum of the American West in Griffith Park
- Museum of Latin American Art in Long Beach
- Pacific Island Ethnic Art Museum in Long Beach

Find a more comprehensive list with information on these museums and similar places to consider visiting **here**.

Download image here.

ENGAGE STUDENTS AND EDUCATORS

Teachers, parents, and community members that work with youth can refer to these activities and resources to educate on various cultures in a fun and interactive way.

• Explore Justice

Explore Justice, a video series built in partnership with 211 LA in 2021, was designed to provide youth with a comprehensive approach to unpacking and examining the current and historical perspectives that shape social justice. Students can be directed to the series to watch the videos, ask questions, and learn more about different cultures and perspectives and social justice.

LA Library Summer of Solidarity Book List

Students can visit any LA County library and read a book from the Summer of Solidarity Book List. Information on the book list can also be found on the LA County library website.

LA vs Hate Zines

Our website includes zines that can be downloaded and shared with youth ages 14+ to teach them about the varied cultures of Los Angeles through art-forward activities and prompts. Click here to access our zines.

Teaching Songs in Another Language

Educators and parents can use music as a way to connect students with other cultures by teaching them a song in a different language. Information on teaching students a song in another language is available here.

"Where I Am From" Poem Template

The "Where I Am From" poem template is a way for teachers to engage students by having them create a poem with things that describe who they are. The poem template can be downloaded here.

Arts and Crafts Ideas

Hosting an arts and crafts circle for students that centers around creating crafts that are traditional in different cultures can help them learn about countries around the world and their customs. Craft ideas can be found here.

Engaging students to build a photo collage is another creative approach to having them learn about cultures. The photo collage they create would represent their own culture and then they can partner with someone else to trade collages and learn more about one another. More information and other culture-focused activities can be found here.

Chalk art in places such as parks can be used to depict your culture, the culture of others and promote inclusivity and respect. You can read about examples of this activity here.

HOST AN EVENT IN YOUR COMMUNITY

Review this list to explore how you can engage your community by hosting events focused on inclusion, diversity, education, and coming together to celebrate our cultures and each other

- Host a community workshop or panel that spurs dialogue and learning around the issues of social justice, history, anti-racism and how to build stronger communities
- Host a community walking tour to teach the history and evolution of your neighborhood(s)
- Host a block party for neighbors to get to know each other
- Host a potluck where community members share their recipes with each other
- Host a multicultural game night that invites community members to share games from their cultures that can be played with neighbors and friends
- Organize a service day, where your community gives back to others in the neighborhood
- Host a musical performance or dance class featuring local artists that showcases a traditional cultural art form
- Host an art or spoken word class that prompts people to share about their cultural and/or family traditions.
- Host a summer book club that opens up dialogue about social justice topics
- Host a dance party that features a group of DJs from different backgrounds who each play music that represents their culture
- Host a community fashion show where residents can showcase traditional apparel and accessories that reflect their culture
- Host a neighborhood restaurant week where restaurants that represent different cultures are promoted to residents to visit and eat at throughout the week

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