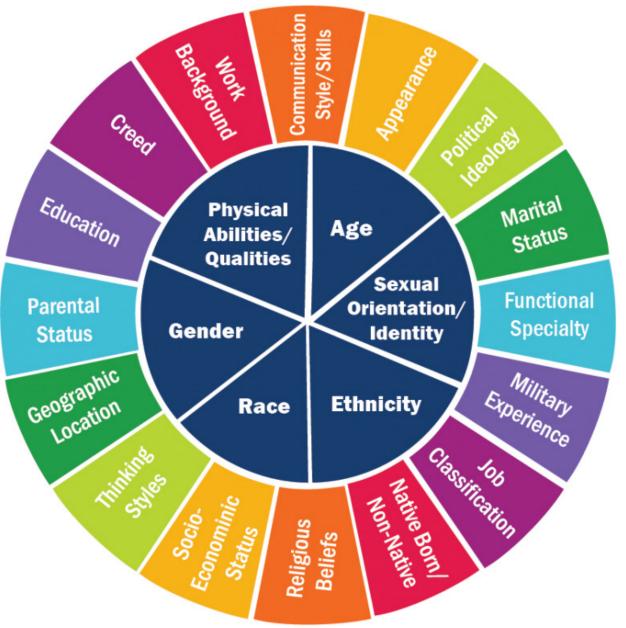
AAUW Vero Beach Branch Meeting Diversity, Equity and Inclusion – National, State and Local

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Identity Wheel from American Library Association





Cultural Illiteracy Led to US Failure, by Baktash Ahadi, Washington Post

What is happening in this picture on the streets of Kandahar, Afghanistan?

How might this be an example of cultural illiteracy?



The AAUW National DEI Toolkit: <u>https://www.aauw.org/?s=DEI</u>

Key Terms and Concepts DEI Toolkit AAUW and AAUW Florida Webinars Plug 'n Play DEI Programming Diversity Structure and Planning Getting Started with Difficult Conversations Dimensions of Diversity and Identity

AAUWVeroBeach.org

The Second Saturday of every month at 10 AM

October 9 Implicit Bias November 13 Microaggressions December 11 Topics to be determined January 8 February 12 March 12

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86480920656?pwd=cXpwUk1iYy9QTVJEYWVMOGZnZGM3Zz09

AAUW Vero Beach Relevant Book Review Breakfasts

All programs held at IRSC Campus Richardson Center, 6155 College Lane



December 6, 9:30 – 11:00 AM **Courageous Conversations about Race**, by Glenn E. Singleton

Dr. Deborah Taylor-Long PhD, Coordinator of Equity, Family, and Community Engagement of Indian River School District, will discuss the need for candid conversations about race, so educators can understand why achievement inequity exists and learn to develop curricula that promote true educational equity and excellence.

Feb 07, 2022, 9:30 – 11:00 AM **The Doctors Blackwell**, by Janice P. Nimura

Dr. Juliet Lomax-Homier, Regional Campus Dean, Ft. Pierce Campus of FSU College of Medicine and a former OB-GYN, will discuss the story of the first female physicians in the United States.





Mar 07, 2022, 9:30 - 11:00 AM **Woman Evolve**, by Sara Jakes Roberts

Lekesha Weems, one of the first IRSC AAUW Student Club members, will discuss how women should not hold onto their past; how they should blossom into the women they can become, erasing limits and challenging norms of what it means to be a modern woman, pursuing dreams without fear or guilt.

How Inclusive is Our Organization?

Organizational Inclusiveness¹

Who becomes an insider and who remains an outsider?

Closed / Homogeneous	Neutral / Individualistic	Welcoming / Assimilative	Seeking / Inclusiveness
People get to be insiders mostly by being groomed and invited. Like-minded people of similar backgrounds (similar identity-group memberships) are often chosen as insiders because they are a comfortable "fit."	The route to becoming an insider is open but not well-marked. Individuals have to figure out for themselves how the insider culture works and how to fit in.	Newcomers are welcomed and current insiders readily help them learn the ropes. Still, fitting in with the current culture is still key.	Current insiders actively recruit newcomers and value diversity. Insiders are willing to change themselves and the culture to make room for new people with diverse perspectives, ideas and ways of working together.

Where does our organization fall?

What training or resources does our organization need to understand more about Diversity, Equity and Inclusion?

What does our organization need to do to become more inclusive?

¹ Adapted from Sierra Club and Diversity Matters



Social Justice Workgroup <u>https://www.indianrivercares.org/social-justice-workgroup</u>

Our programs are currently held the 2nd Tuesday of each month from 11 am-Noon via Zoom. To be added to our invite list, please contact <u>kelleylaura@yahoo.com</u>

Who We Are

Members of the Indian River CARES coalition, a group of local non-profit leaders, first joined together in the summer of 2020 to draft a Unified Statement of Support for Racial Justice Reform in Indian River County in response to the May murder of George Floyd.

Like many organizations across the nation, this was but a first step. We decided to form a Workgroup with a commitment to meet monthly to examine how we might be able to focus our energies on strengthening the mission of Indian River CARES: to Connect, Advocate, Renew, Educate and Strategize with an emphasis on Education.

What We Do

As a Workgroup, our efforts have been focused on meeting monthly via Zoom to educate ourselves and each other in **Community Conversations** on the issues of diversity, equity, inclusion, and justice. We have invited leaders in Indian River County and the Treasure Coast region to share what is currently being done, what is planned, and how we as community members can help.

We have identified these areas of current concentration:

- Criminal Justice
- Education
- Finance/Banking & Industry
- Health
- Real Estate/Housing

For more information on our work or how you can get involved contact the Workgroup Leadership Team:

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Thank you to the Center for Spiritual Care for housing the **Seeds of Change Lending Library** for the Social Justice Workgroup, an initiative of Indian River CARES

You can use this as a reading list or borrow from the library at:

1550 24th Street, Vero Beach, FL 32960

To contact: 772-567-1233 or centerspiritualcare@gmail.com

Title	Author	
All About Love	Bell Hooks	
Americanah	Chimamanda Ngozi Adiche	
A White Catholic's Guide to Racism and Privilege	Daniel P. Horan, O.F.M.	
Becoming	Michelle Obama	
Begin Again	Eddie S. Glaude Jr.	
Black Girl Call Home	Jasmine Mans	
Blind Spot	Banaji and Greenwald	
Born a Crime	Trevor Noah	
Bring the War Home	Kathleen Belew	
Dixie's Daughters	Karen Cox	
Dreams from My Father	Barack Obama	
Embodied Spirits	Bryant -Johnson, Norman-McNaney, Taylor Stinson	
Freshwater Road	Denise Nicholas	
Just Mercy	Bryan Stevenson	
Heavy	Kiese Laymon	
Madam C.J. Walker's Gospel of Giving	Tyrone McKinley Freeman	
Mama Bear	Shirley Smith	
Maximum Insight	Bill Maxwell	
Me and White Supremacy	Layla F. Saad	
My Grandmother's Hands	Resmaa Menakem	
Notes of a Native Son	James Baldwin	
Our Time Is Now	Stacey Abrams	
Passing	Nell Larsen	
Queenie	Candice Carty-Williams	
Sing Unburied Sing	Jesmyn Ward	
Small Great Things	Jodi Picoult	
So You Want to Talk About Race	ljeoma Oluo	
Stamped from the Beginning	İbram X. Kendi	
Stamped: Racism, Antiracism & You	Ibram X,. Kendi & Jason Reynolds	

Title	Author	
The Color of Law	Richard Rothstein	
The Fire is Upon Us	Nicholas Buccola	
The Hidden Wound	Wendell Berry	
The Invisible Thread	Laura Schroff & Alex Tresniowski	
The New Jim Crow	Michelle Alexander	
The Spiritual Work of Racial Justice	Patrick St. Jean, S. J.	
The Sum of Us	Heather McGee	
The Vanishing Half	Brit Bennett	
The Warmth of Other Suns	Isabel Wilderson	
Waking Up White	Debby Irving	
Was the Cat in the Hat Black	Philip Nel	
White Fragility	Robin Diangelo	
White Too Long	Robert P. Jones	

DEI MEDIA RECOMMENDATIONS

Dirty Computer (CD) 2018 Janelle Monae

Fresh Air (NPE) Terry Gross

3/23/21 with Pete Doctor & Kemp Powers "Soul," Disney film

Fresh Air (NPR) 3/24/21 Terry Gross with Reuben Miller, author "Halfway Home" life after incarceration.

Fresh Air (NPR) 12/28/20 Terry Gross with Clint Smith, poet "How we Reckon or Fail to w/Legacy of Slavery."

Onbeing.org Christa Tippett w/Mary Bateson, Margaret Meade's daughter, "Living as an Improvisational Act."

On the Media (WNYC) 2020 Brooke Gladstone podcast "Unlearning White Jesus"

The Experiment (podcast) 2/11/21 ep. Julia Longoria "56 yrs" participatory democracy began w/1965 voting law.