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DATA FOR BLACK LIVES MOVEMENT ROUNDTABLE

pulse check part II

opening remarks:
YESHI MILNER

THIS UPRISING
IS for George
Floyd, Breonna
Taylor, + the
Black people
harmed by state
violence every day.

ABOLITION =
the recognition
that reform is
NOT ENOUGH.

plant
seeds



dismantle
systems
of
oppression



UPDATES FROM MPLS



CHRISTIAN MCCLEARY - Literacy Minnesota

activism as marriage to
community: memories,
bonds, + growth despite
disagreements



strategize as a family

"we're stronger than we
think, but we're stronger
together."

BIPOC can be agents of change
to create a better future for
LIBERATION!

BLM

I AM THE SAME
AGE AS TRAYVON MARTIN.
I can't
believe
I saw
history
repeating
itself.



"BLACK LIVES
are being lost
because of
acts of police."

MARIKA PFEFFERKORN

Minneapolis public school board voted UNANIMOUSLY to divest from MPD following the murder of George Floyd.

• MPS has a history of discriminating against Black + brown students

Confirmed by Equity Diversity Inclusion assessment data

• need to shift policy + practice + mind-sets

"LET THE COMMUNITIES LEAD"

→ This political will didn't always exist - it took years of organizing

co-optation of movement spaces

LET'S MAKE THIS A DOMINO EFFECT to defund police in schools across the country



"WE CANNOT REPLACE POLICE WITH HYPER-SURVEILLANCE."

Minnesota Parents Union

KHULIA PRINGLE

alternatives to policing are not new. undoing structures of racism is necessary for liberation. PERIOD. - NICOLE TRIPLETT, D4BL

DR. TALAYA TOLEFREE
Koinonia Leadership Academy

rooted in
Native American
+ African ancestral
traditions

ongoing + relational,
not reactionary

Indigenous restorative
practices can be used
wherever there are
human beings. ♥

restoring "original
greatness," not a
colonized ideal

HEARING
SOMEONE'S
VOICE
IS THE
FIRST
STEP OF
healing



"we don't do things
linear; we do them
as a COLLECTIVE."

center humanity +
value peoples' voices

how are we
in
relationship
before harm is caused?



growth
mind!
set!

What is the long term strategy for Black Sovereignty?

Brandon King

economic democracy
+ solidarity economy

technology-
driven
pathways

Duaba Unenra
DABL Twin Cities

despite roots in white
supremacy,

Technology
as a tool
for self-
defense!

encryption

cybersecurity

qualitative
research

history:

Black co-ops
were the
economic engine
of the civil
Rights movement



CREATE THE MEANS
OF PRODUCTION
WITHIN COMMUNITIES



Build while fighting
Black disposability

training emerging generations of future ancestors

What must our
Season be,
which starts
from fear?
Live and go out
Define and
medicate the
whirlwind.

Gwendolyn Brooks

Struggle is a never
ending process.
Freedom is never
really won, you
earn it and win it
every generation.

Coretta Scott King

It is our duty
to fight for
our freedom.
It is our duty
to win. We
have nothing
to lose but our
chains.

Assata Shakur