



Lace on Race Update August 21, 2020

Another month of walking!

From the smooth terrain of abiding and cleaving together, to 89 Chromebooks in the hands of impacted children, to (at this writing) over \$3,700 dollars to our partner at DLP.

We have also navigated some very lumpy crossings. The actions we have taken to hold The Christian Left to accountability and restoration have not been easy; not easy to discern; nor easy to implement. It has affected our community as many of us were faced with choicepoints as we made our own discernments as to what right action looked like for each of us.

At the end of the day about 200 walkers decided that their dedication to our North Star compelled and demanded them to act, and after intellectual rigor, using the template of the Six Steps to Ethical Action, determined that they would act in accordance to their own stated values as well as to the community ethos of Lace on Race itself.

There will be other actions, both here in this online lab, as well as in our individual lives. We are here to learn to become discerning, reflexive, and to act with all deliberate speed toward our fixed North Star.

I am honored that you walk with us. There are no strangers; no lurkers. If you are walking with us you walk with the same shared nurture and the same responsibilities of us all.

I cannot wait to meet you and abide with you in meaningful and durable ways.

All my very best,

Your Lace

Lace and her Team would like to welcome new walkers! We hope you find your time here challenging, exhorting, and that you find durable and reliable community here, all in the service of **the North Star of Lace on Race which is to lessen and mitigate the harm endured by Black and brown people perpetuated by white people**. Be sure to read the Guidelines; they will help you to navigate this space best. We also want to welcome our newest Sustainer Circle members. Sustainer Circle members don't get more; more is expected of them, as they lean into enhanced roles in the LoR community.

Part of adding more transparency and ease as you walk with the Lace on Race community is our desire to post a regular update. Each update will highlight the prominent posts that are important for you to read and engage with, the status of budget for the month, and our featured organizations for the month.

Our Latest Website Posts:

bit.ly/EvadingAccountability

bit.ly/WishAntiRacism

bit.ly/WhatAboutMyComfort

bit.ly/MeetingEyeToEye

bit.ly/CanIBeTrusted

We have a **NEW PAYPAL ADDRESS** that we'd like everyone to start using asap. Please follow paypal.me/LaceonRace for your financial engagements going forward.

July Budget Numbers: \$8,000/\$8,000 goal

July Featured Organizations:

Community Partner Organization	Amount Distributed
<i>Nurturing Roots</i>	\$1,000
<i>Washington Immigrant Solidarity Network</i>	\$1,000
<i>Kinfolk Kollektive Chromebooks Extravaganza</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$14,755.45 • 70 Chromebooks to Detroit school (covering 2 classrooms + extra) • 19 Chromebooks to individual families

August Budget Numbers: \$7,967/\$8,000 goal

August Featured Organizations:

<i>Community Partner Organization</i>	
<i>Amani Community Services (\$1,000/\$1,000 goal)</i>	Amani Community Services is a culturally specific domestic violence and sexual assault agency serving African Americans in Black Hawk and Linn Counties (IA). Their staff provides counseling, outreach services, personal advocacy, legal advocacy, children's programming and information and referrals.
<i>Dignified Learning Project (\$3,718 - Lace's FB Birthday Fundraiser)</i>	The Dignified Learning Project wants to help people connect and better understand one another. It aims to do so by revolutionizing education through approaching teacher training, engaging with communities, and offering student services. They believe in providing dignified education for all and are currently raising funds to be able to offer stipends to their interns who will go on to shape education in mighty ways.

For those of you who want to become Sustainers, or who consider yourselves Sustainers but have yet to fill out the form for 2020, let us know, and we'll walk you through the process.

We are giving thanks for your generosity, which allows Lace on Race to act in concert with our ethos.