A Fusion of Movements

Mission, Strategies, and Outcomes





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Fusing Our Work

 The Benefits of Collective Work and a Focus on Equity

Beyond Vietnam: A Time to Break the Silence

- "...I would like to see the fervor of the civil-rights movement imbued into the peace movement to instill it with greater strength. And I believe everyone has a duty to be in both the civil-rights and peace movements."
- Martin Luther King Jr., 1968

Collective Work and Equity

- Defining Health Equity
 - Equity is not the same as equality.
 - Equity means resources are allocated to remove systemic barriers to health.
- Focusing on Racial Equity
 - Racism and anti-Blackness are built into the foundation of the USA.

Re-envisioning Your Mission

Deliberate Inclusion of Racial Equity and Social Justice

Do you have language about diversity, equity, and inclusion in your mission statement?

- 1. Yes. We have had it for several years.
- 2. Yes. We added it recently in response to current events.
- 3. No. We are adding those terms.
- 4. No. We do not know how those concepts fit into our mission.

Values, Social Change Model, Accountability

- What do you seek to achieve? What is your social purpose?
- How will you address the problem you've identified? How does your work contribute to a larger narrative?
- To whom are you accountable? How do you track outcomes (not just outputs)?

Creating Concrete Action Steps

Drafting a Solidarity Statement Focused on Racial Justice

Steps for an Action-Oriented Solidarity Statement

- 1. Identify and name systemic oppressions
- 2. Take responsibility and/or make your organization responsible for contributing to a solution
- 3. Create specific action steps to repair harm
- 4. Envision the future and share how you will be accountable

Conclusion

My Hope For You and Q&A

Incite! : Critical Resistance Joint Statement

"It is critical that we develop responses to gender violence that do not depend on a sexist, racist, classist, and homophobic criminal justice system."

 Critical Resistance and Incite! Women of Color Against Violence

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