

In June of 2020, a group of friends began having ZOOM meetings to try to come to terms with systemic racism and the killing of black people by police. Across the nation, events sparked protests - civil rights, inequality and racism was again a topic of national concern.

The conversations led to a call to action, a desire to help people understand what systemic racism is and lend a white voice to the local, state and national dialogue. Thus the idea of White Voices Against Racism (WVAR) was born.

During the winter and spring of 2021, four individuals established an official entity and 501(c)3 organization. A Facebook page, Instagram page and website was created. Then on May 25, 2021, White Voices Against Racism officially launched.

WVAR accomplished its first year goals:

- Organize as a non-profit;
- · Hold four events; and
- Establish a digital presence.

# During 2022 our goals include:

- Holding four events;
- · Broadening our exposure; and
- Expanding our leadership team.

#### GOAL

To engage through learning and experiences.

# By the numbers...

### **Facebook**

Posts 36 Likes and Followers 77 Reaches 15,988 Page Views 268

# Instagram

Reaches 11,256 Followers 6 **Profile Visits 71** 

#### **Events**

Facebook Live Launch 640 Reach Reactions 26 Comments 7 Shares 10 Link Clicks Green Book - Shoebox Event 10 Attendees Pieces of Now Exhibit Tour

10 Attendees Freedom on the Menu Book Event

15 Attendees International Civil Rights Center and Museum 10 Attendees

# THE FIRST YEAR - Educate and Engage



The Historic Magnolia House is one of only four Green Book sites in North Carolina still in operation and housed some of our nation's most well-known African Americans during segregation. Attendees enjoyed a physical tour of the house, received a Shoebox Lunch and a WVAR sticker. Leading up to the event The Negro Motorist Green-Book: A travel guide for Blacks used from 1936 to 1966 during the Jim Crow era was featured on our Facebook page.

The Pieces of Now exhibit at the Greensboro History Museum featured murals that appeared in downtown Greensboro following the murder of George Floyd in May 2020. Museum curator Glenn Perkins, led the tour. The first five people to register and attend received a WVAR T-shirt.





Carole Boston Weatherford, author of "Freedom on the Menu: The Greensboro Sit-Ins," joined us for a book reading and discussion. Participants received a copy of the book and a parent/teacher study guide. Two educators were invited by WVAR to lend insight and guidance for talking to children about racism.

The final event of the year was a staff guided tour of the International Civil Rights Museum. Each participant received free entry into the museum. Following the tour, participants had a chance to discuss what they saw and learned.



# 2021 Financials

Income	
Donations	\$ 1,200.00
Ticket Sales	\$ 3.60
Total	\$ 1,203.60
Expenses	
Face-book Ads	\$ 149.30
Events	\$ 750.01
Web Site	\$ 85.49
Stickers	\$ 79.00
T-shirts	\$ 445.19
Misc	\$ 21.95
Total	\$ 1,530.94
In-kind	¢ 1 000 00
	\$ 1,200.88
WVAR	\$ 330.06
Cash Balance	\$ 873.54

# **White Voices Against Racism**

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