

Subject: In Solidarity with Black Lives Matter for Pride Month and Beyond!

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Hello PCC Community,

The QUEST Center acknowledges the pain and suffering of our PCC students, staff, faculty, and community affected by the anti-Black violence that is currently occurring and has historically occurred and been systematically constructed in our country and beyond. We stand in solidarity with our Black students, staff, and faculty! While we had originally planned Pride events throughout the entire month of June, we are dedicating our Center to supporting our Black community by standing in solidarity with the Black Lives Matter movement. Much of the LGBTQ+ activism and rights that there are today are owed to Black Trans and Queer folks that fought at Stonewall in 1969, like Marsha P. Johnson.

Last week, we started sharing educational resources during our "Meet the Staff Week" social media takeover. We will continue to provide advocacy, mental health, allyship, and relevant resources to our Black community and non-Black allies. We will be posting resources throughout this entire month on our social media accounts on Instagram, Facebook, and Twitter @pccquest.

Yesterday, Dr. Gena Lopez hosted a Black Lives Matter listening forum where students, staff, and faculty spoke about their experiences, resources needed for long-term reform, and support. You may view the forum on YouTube by clicking [here](#). The QUEST staff listened wholeheartedly with what everyone had to say and we stand in solidarity!

The following are some upcoming events that you may be interested in joining:

Healing Circles: Today, June 5th at 3pm

In lieu of our weekly UndocuChats peer support group, the QUEST Center will be hosting a healing circle facilitated by Dr. Maribel Morales where a safe space will be provided for students who would like to join in a conversation open to all students who have been affected by current events, want to support fellow Black peers, support the Black Lives Matter movement, and anything you want it to be. This space is here for you. You may register for the healing circle by clicking [here](#).

*Note: When registering, the title may still appear as "UndocuChats" but as mentioned, the space will be open to everyone who would like to join.

LA Pride Protest: Sunday, June 14th at 10am

In solidarity with the Black community, LA Pride will be assembling a protest in Hollywood on June 14th at 10am on Hollywood Blvd and Highland Avenue, Hollywood, CA 90028. Join in solidarity against systemic racism, anti-Black violence, and police brutality. Click [here](#) to learn more.

To our Black community, we love you, we see you, and are here to support you. UndocuBlack Lives Matter. Black LGBTQ+ Lives Matter. Black Trans Lives Matter. Black Lives Matter.

In solidarity,
- The QUEST Team