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**BLACK
LIVES
matter**

We are outraged.

The staff of Council for Children's Rights is hurting. We are frustrated. We are exhausted. We are angry. We are in pain. And yes, we are outraged.

We acknowledge that while we are outraged, being outraged is not enough. We must do better than being outraged. Doing better means saying, loudly and without hesitation, their names.

George Floyd

Breonna Taylor

Amaud Arbery

Botham Jean

Atatiana Jefferson

Eric Garner

Tamir Rice

Sandra Bland

Keith Lamont Scott

Philando Castile

Trayvon Martin

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The list continues. Their lives do not.

We do better — we do MORE — by not only saying their names, but by acknowledging the denial of basic human and civil rights our Black community continues to endure and the senseless and horrific loss of life that continues to occur daily.

The names above represent our clients' moms and dads. Brothers and sisters. Uncles and aunts. Violence against Black children's families is violence against children. It is a part of their everyday reality. We see firsthand the trauma they hold in their hearts, souls, and bodies.

Kids in crisis let us into their lives. We hold their trauma. We bear witness to the injustice. We try to make it better. Your support of this work makes this possible. It is a privilege to know these remarkable, resilient children.

It is an honor to stand in solidarity with our Black community and demand justice and peace. We will continue to fight for racial equality and inclusion. We

hear you. We see you. We are inspired by you. We love you. We will continue to speak up, speak out, and show up because black lives matter.

We have been standing up for justice since 1979 and will continue to stand WITH you and FOR you. Without justice there will be no peace. Let's end this outrage together.



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