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Overview



The work of moving towards antiracism in organizations calls on leaders to explore the role of allies in organizational culture. In our last session we asked ourselves, "How do we differentiate between White Saviorism and White Allyship as we go about our mission-driven work?" What part of this dynamic is about our individual leadership and what part connects to our organizational mission?

In this session, we will explore the complexity of allyship. We will name two forces that push us into White Saviorism and name guiding principles to counter its impact. Come ready to co-create a brave space to discuss our own practice and beliefs as we chart new pathways. This session welcomes the

participation of all members of our human serving community...

Today's Agenda



- Welcome and Introductions
- Scavenger Hunt
- Power Chart: The Role of Ally
- Allyship vs. Co-Conspirator
- The Power of Informal Networks
- Appreciations

Agreements

- Confidentiality
- "I" Statements
- Respect others experiences
- People over content
- Practice and curiosity
- Offer Grace



Scavenger Hunt

Bring something on camera that: Is blue

- brings you joy
- reminds you of your peace

Power Chart The Role of Ally

Who is on the side of power?

Power Chart

Category	Power	Non-power
Race	White	
Socio-economic Status	Rich	
Gender	Male	
Sexual Orientation	Straight	
Physical Ability	Able-Bodied	
Religion	Christian	

Who can ally?

Power Chart

Category	Power	Non-power
Race	White	BIPOC
Socio-economic Status	Rich	Poor
Gender	Male	Female and other gender expressions
Sexual Orientation	Straight	LGBTG+
Physical Ability	Able-Bodied	Disabled
Religion	Christian	Non-Christian

Who can ally

Power Chart

Category	Power	Non-power
Race	White	BIPOC
Education	Degrees	Non-degree
Gender	Male	Female and other gender expressions
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Who is an ally?

An action, not an identity. Members of the advantaged group recognize their privilege and work in solidarity with oppressed groups to dismantle the systems of oppression(s) from which they derive power, privilege, and acceptance. Requires understanding that it is in their own interest to end all forms of oppression, even those from which they may benefit in concrete ways. It means taking intentional, overt, and consistent responsibility for the changes we know are needed in our society, and often ignore or leave for others to deal with; it does so in a way that facilitates the empowerment of persons targeted by oppression. This framework can be used to imply that one does not feel directly implicated by the oppression.

White Saviorism vs Allyship

White Savior

Allyship

I know what you need

I follow your lead

I have the skills that you don't have

I serve in solidarity with you

Centers White people

Centers those from Marginalized Communities

From Ally to Co-Conspirator



Racial Affinity Groups

"While there is good and important work that organizations can do together around race/racial equity, it can also be valuable and even important to do some work separately in Race-based Affinity groups: White people and BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, and People or Color.)

There can sometimes be resistance to this separation, particularly from White people, who may: want to stay together with the whole group, avoid "segregation", learn from BIPOC experiences, and more."

By Zhaleh Almaee & Marc Weinblatt, Co Directors, Mandala Center for Change

Why Race Based Affinity Groups?

- 1. White and BIPOC people have different work to do
- 2. Can create space for deeper authenticity and honesty- people less afraid to say the "wrong" thing, offend or hurt the feelings of the "other"
- 3. BIPOC folks relieved to get some time with others who share the same struggle & have similar experiences of racism
- 4. In mixed race groups, BIPOC people often "teach" white people and do much more emotional labor

https://www.mandalaforchange.com/resources/articles/race-based-affinity-groups-why-do-them/

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BREAKOUTS

- 1. So far, we have explored three stances in the journey of racial equity: White Savior, Ally and Co-conspirator
 - a. If you are white, how do you feel about your allyship stance after listening to Bettina Love?
 - b. What would it take for you to advance your commitment to racial equity?
- 2. For our BIPOC friends,
 - a. What do you need from yourself and others to advance racial equity in your work?

Debrief

Quick Breakout

 Based on everything you heard today, what's one action step you want to take to advance race equity work?



- 1. Bring back the conversation to your organization:
- 2. Next session: TBD in June



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