

Dear Rutgers Law Community,

On behalf of the Immigrant Rights Collective at Rutgers Law School, we stand in solidarity with the Association of Black Law Students (ABLS) and want to voice our support of their recent statement, along with the Black Lives Matter movement. Black communities have faced systemic racism in this country since its inception, and police brutality is an everyday danger for these communities.

We mourn the murders of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, Ahmaud Arbery, and the countless other Black lives lost to police violence. We acknowledge the pain and power that is indelibly linked—both historically and presently—to the Black experience in this country, and we join the Black community in the fight against police violence. We unabashedly support calls for the defunding and demilitarization of the police force with the same energy and conviction that the Black community lends in our connected struggle to end the criminalization and detention of immigrant communities.

As an organization founded to support immigrant rights, we work to dismantle oppressive systems in this country. As law students, we must apply the skills we are learning to advocate, create policy, and harbor empathy. The People's Electric Law School is for Black students, for immigrants, and for all. It is our most sacred goal to advocate for justice. Below, we have linked to some reputable organizations that are working to support this struggle right now, and encourage you to make a donation if you can, no matter how small or large. Grassroots organizations in particular have been doing this work for decades and it is our duty to support them, especially in times of crisis.

[Black Lives Matter](#)

[Black Visions Collective](#)

[North Star Health Collective](#)

[Louisville Community Bail Fund](#)

[Brooklyn Bail Fund](#)

[The Bail Project](#)

[Northwest Community Bail Fund](#)

[Bronx Freedom Fund](#)

[The Massachusetts Bail Fund](#)

[Philadelphia Community Bail Fund](#)

In solidarity,  
Immigrant Rights Collective  
Rutgers Law School- Newark