

The City of Huntington Woods Commission Approves Anti-Racism Plan

Southeast Michigan suburb creates plan to build anti-racist perspective and approach through all city departments and programs

HUNTINGTON WOODS, MICHIGAN, UNITED STATES, October 16, 2020 /EINPresswire.com/ -- In its October 14, 2020 Commission Meeting, the city of [Huntington Woods](https://www.huntingtonwoods.org/) Commission approved an Anti-Racism Plan to guide the City forward in efforts to expand its commitment to build equity, promote

anti-racism and to make Huntington Woods a warm and welcoming city.

In response to the tragic and senseless deaths of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, and others, the City issued a statement on June 2nd condemning acts of racial injustice and aggression, and renewed its commitment to build justice, fairness and peace for all. The Anti-Racism Plan is the



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next step by the City to enact that commitment by identifying action items that are measurable, specific and attainable.

“It is not enough to simply claim we are not racist,” says Mayor Robert Paul. “We must work toward eradicating fear and turmoil, and ensure that Huntington Woods is a warm and welcoming city for all.”

The Anti-Racism Plan advocates for reviewing and revising existing policies to make them more equitable, and creating new policies and programs to promote an anti-racist perspective and expand opportunities to end

institutional oppression.

The Plan has three main goals: Learning & Recognition, Community Relations and Public Policy. It contains programs and initiatives to be carried out at City Hall, the Library, Parks & Recreation and Public Safety, addressing all three goals in detail in every programming area. A copy of the plan is available here: www.hwmi.org.

A committee of dedicated residents working with City administration created the plan during the

summer, with a desire to build anti-racist programming throughout the city and have its effects felt beyond city limits.

For questions or media inquiries, please contact Lynne Golodner at (248) 376-0406 or lynne@yourppl.com.

About the City of Huntington Woods

The City of Huntington Woods is a residential community comprising 1.47 square miles in southeastern Oakland County, and home to approximately 6,200 people. The Detroit Zoo and Rackham Golf Course fall within the city's borders.

The City's roots date to 1821, and the first land grant signed by President James Monroe went to J. Lockwood, a War of 1812 veteran, in 1824. The City has always been on the forefront of progressive thought, including in 1971 being one of the first municipalities to adopt a paper recycling program. In 2001, Huntington Woods formally recognized what it stands for in adopting a Human Rights Ordinance that recognizes the inherent dignity and equality of all people. The policy ensures that every person who steps foot in the City has equal opportunity for employment, housing, public accommodation and public services.

Learn more at <https://www.hwmi.org> or (248) 541-4300.

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