

Learn and Do More

Thank you for tuning in with us to hear Pitt Chancellor Emeritus Mark A. Nordenberg and Representative Jake Wheatley discuss systemic racism and police reforms. The following document provides resources mentioned during the interview and suggested action items.

Video References:

- ❑ Pitt Chancellor Emeritus Nordenberg quotes Representative Wheatley from his press release titled [Black Pittsburgh lawmakers' protest forces action](#).
- ❑ Check out the [Pittsburgh Equity Indicators' report](#), an annual report put out by the city in partnership with CUNY ISLG to assess the city's progress regarding equitable opportunities.
- ❑ Learn about the Police Reform Working Group that Representative Wheatley sits on and read their [June 4, 2020 statement on progress toward reform](#), including proposing a database to hold police accountable.
- ❑ Read about the rostrum in Harrisburg where [legislators commandeer House to demand action on policing](#).
- ❑ Check out [proposed PA legislation](#) to tackle police reform including [House Bill 1841](#).
- ❑ Representative Wheatley speaks to the stark differences in police department funding. Read or Listen to NPR's "[What Happens When Suburban Police Departments Don't Have Enough Money?](#)" to learn more.
- ❑ Read about [the shooting of Antwon Rose](#), a 17-year old boy shot by police in East Pittsburgh.
- ❑ Check out this [New York Times' article](#) to see the scope of protests from across cities to suburbs.
- ❑ Read about [K. Leroy Irvis, Pennsylvania's only black House speaker](#) and [his contribution to Pitt](#). Also check out [the K. Leroy Irvis Papers](#) and his poem [Lions and Great Bronze Bars](#) shared by Pitt Chancellor Emeritus Nordenberg.
- ❑ Check out the [Final Report of President Obama's Task Force on 21st Century Policing](#).
- ❑ Review the [Community Policing Toolkit](#) suggested by Obama in his townhall as an action document.
- ❑ Read Pitt Chancellor Emeritus Nordenberg and former United States Attorney for the Western District of Pennsylvania Thieman's op-ed, [Extending the legacy of George Floyd](#).
- ❑ In the summer of 2020, the PA General Assembly passed legislation to [strengthen oversight and training requirements](#) for law enforcement officers.

Take Action:

- ❑ Vote in 2020 Presidential Election
- ❑ Become a legal observer through the [National Lawyers Guild](#)
- ❑ Learn about the holiday [Juneteenth](#) and look up celebrations in your community to support.
- ❑ Find and contact your federal, state, and local elected officials using this [online directory](#).
- ❑ Check out [75 Things White People Can Do](#) and learn how to be an ally with [this guide](#).
- ❑ Attend a [virtual racial justice training](#) and [assess organizational racism within your workplace](#).
- ❑ Listen to a podcasts like [Floodlines](#), [RadioLab](#), and [Intersectionality Matters!](#)
- ❑ Donate to [8 Can't Wait](#), Campaign Zero's project to adopt 8 use of force policies in police departments.

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