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A Measure of Justice for George Floyd

While the three counts in which Derek Chauvin is convicted in the murder of George Floyd are a win, we know that justice can never truly be served to someone who lost their life senselessly. YWCA Greater Cincinnati stands with our Black and Brown communities, and condemns the continued violence and deaths of people of color in America due to police brutality.

To our Black and Brown community members, as we celebrate this singular win with you, we also recognize and understand that you continue to hurt and that justice and liberation continue to seem out of reach. We promise to stand with you and fight for you every day.

This is a critical time for our nation to reckon with injustice and work to transform our culture and systems in the fight for peace, justice, freedom, and dignity for all. Today's verdict, while favorable, is a stark reminder that we still have so much work to do within systems and structures that perpetuate injustice.

We know that communities of color experience disproportionately high rates of unnecessary and excessive force by law enforcement. Racial profiling and the overall criminalization of communities of color reinforce dangerous police practices with lethal consequences for those targeted. We believe holding our elected officials and law enforcement accountable is necessary in this fight for justice. We believe in taking bold action.

Learn more about how you can join us on this mission by signing up to receive our advocacy alerts, which will keep you up-to-date on several social justice issues and the legislation regarding them. [Advocacy Alert Sign Up - YWCA Greater Cincinnati \(ywcacincinnati.org\)](https://www.ywcacincinnati.org/advocacy-alert-sign-up).

At YWCA, we are unwavering in our commitment to justice. We do this work because we demand a world of equity and human decency, in which women, girls, and people of color can live healthy, safe, and full lives with dignity. And we will get up and continue to do the work until injustice is rooted out and institutions are transformed – until justice, just is.