

Growing Together as Allies Fall 2021 Speaker Series
Voices for Change: Voting, Advocacy, and Action

SESSION 2

Living Beyond the Trauma of Racism: #IamHer

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Anjanette Young is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker and a graduate of Jane Addams School of Social Work at The University of Illinois Chicago. Anjanette has many years working with individuals, children and families in the Chicago area. In March 2019 Anjanette founded Café Social Work, an organization that seeks to increase the presence of social workers of color in the field through providing mentoring, networking, clinical supervision and licensing test preparation. Anjanette's passion for people and her professional work is rooted in her DNA. Her grandmother was a civil right activist who fought for justice and equity and marched with Dr. King. She is devoted to do her part to carry on her family legacy and raise the bar of accountability regarding social justice.

SESSION DESCRIPTION:

This session will speak to the inequities that Black and Brown People experience in their local communities by the hands of the police. A system whose policies and laws were never created to be fairly implemented with Black and Brown People and allows too much room for bias. Specifically, this session will unpack Ms. Young's personal experience of how these systems continue to fail Black and Brown People and leave behind a trail of trauma, hurt and distrust in our communities, as relates to the police and the criminal justice system. Ms. Young will discuss her decision to fight for justice which meant exposing the most traumatizing moment of her life. Participants will be encouraged to reflect on their own personal experiences with the police and discuss how we can all get involved in fighting for justice.

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