

Martin Luther King Jr. Freedom Center

Proposal for Community Plan to Create Structures & Actions to End Anti-black Police Conduct

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These proposed actions do not form a complete list of ideas and initiatives. They are, however, the Freedom Center's proposed priorities.

First, this proposal is based on the reality that police departments are public entities and police officers are public workers just as all other federal, state, county and municipal workers.

Secondly, police departments and police officers should not create nor maintain any barriers to public access unique unto themselves, including being able to review and determine their own accountability to the general public.

The proposal includes:

1. For community development and maintenance of an office that maintains regular reporting of police activity and conduct, and any electoral or political efforts by police departments designed to create legislative or political efforts to expand their military power.

- 1.1 This office would obtain and regularly report various police encounters involving citations or arrests, with a focus on the following:

- Officer caused death of citizens by race.
- Citizen caused death of officers by race.
- Drug arrests by race.
- Resisting arrest by race.

- 1.2 This office would work to plan and organize ongoing political, economic and cultural activity aimed at:

- Development of a higher level of community oversight of citizens over police policies and conduct.

- Work tirelessly to create conditions that cut off police department access to military weaponry and training; including ending the current military weaponry procurement program.

- Organize political/electoral campaigns, initiatives, propositions, & referendums and measures at state, county and municipal levels that require active review of police policies and conduct by elected representatives along with citizen organizations.

- Organize candidate forums and interviews with candidates at all levels with the resulting action of creating endorsement/no endorsement based