

Social Justice Resources for Event Directors and their staff

This list of resources is meant to augment the primary curriculum and provide additional activities, games, videos, etc for you to use. It is divided into the following areas: Climate and Environmental Justice, Racial Injustice (civil rights and anti-racism), Refugee & Immigrant Justice, Gender/LGBTQ+ Justice, Healthcare & Reproductive Justice, Economic/Wealth Justice (poverty/food insecurity/housing) and Disability and Mental Health Justice.

Some resources that might be helpful

Climate and Environmental Justice

The Southern New England Conference of the UCC has a great Webpage titled **“Environmental Resources for Faith Formation - Children, Youth, Families”**

It includes lists of Books for Children and Youth, links to curriculum, as well as activities and video. It also has ideas for how to incorporate Creation Care into Intergenerational Ministries.

Link: <https://www.sneucc.org/environmental-resources-faith-formation-children-youth-families>

The Center for Progressive Reform has an article on Youth Standing Up for Their Rights and Their Planet that can be found here: <https://progressivereform.org/cpr-blog/youth-standing-up-for-their-rights-and-their-planet/>

Racial Justice (Civil Rights and Anti-Racism)

The website **Civil Rights Teaching**, a project of Teaching for Change, provides lessons, handouts, news, and resources for teaching about the role of everyday people in the Civil Rights Movement. Their webpage on Youth Organizing, which includes websites, films and books can be found here: <https://www.civilrightsteaching.org/youth-organizing-resources>

Southern Poverty Law Center has *“Learning journeys and resources for teens and young adults to learn honest history, understand servant leadership and take steps toward entry into the movement for justice.”* That can be found here:

<https://www.splcenter.org/learning-for-justice/youth-learning-for-justice/>

Youth Celebrate Diversity: Workshops, videos, activities books on Racial Justice and Anti-Racism, as well as many other Social Justice areas.

<https://ycdiversity.org/resources/racial-justice-and-anti-racism/>

How to Engage in Anti-Racism Work: 70+ Resources for Teens:

<https://courtneyharriscoaching.com/anti-racism-guide/>

21 Anti-Racism Videos To Share With Kids: https://www.weareteachers.com/anti-racism-videos/?fbclid=IwAR1wKiiFE_OnP6QV76J2gsvl4IVjp6yiVVokMCEu8tC4UtwdHpv1dLqhdjQ

Seattle Children's Museum - Equity, Race and Social Justice, At-Home Activities to Try can be found here: <https://seattlechildrensmuseum.org/letstalkrace/>

Refugee & Immigrant Justice

Global Refuge website has resources on How to Talk to Your Kids About Immigration that can be found here: <https://www.globalrefuge.org/news/talk-kids-immigration/>

Youth Celebrate Diversity: Workshops, videos, activities books on Immigration Justice, as well as many other Social Justice areas. <https://ycdiversity.org/resources/immigrant-and-refugee-youth/>

Facing History and Ourselves website has a resources on 8 Resources for Teaching Immigration that can be found here: <https://www.facinghistory.org/ideas-week/8-resources-teaching-immigration>

Gender/LGBTQ+ Justice & Healthcare & Reproductive Justice

Youth Celebrate Diversity: Workshops, videos, activities books on LGBTQ+ Youth, as well as many other Social Justice areas. <https://ycdiversity.org/resources/lgbtq-youth/>

Youth Celebrate Diversity: Workshops, videos, activities books on Gender Justice and Equity, as well as many other Social Justice areas. <https://ycdiversity.org/resources/gender-justice-and-equity/>

SafeBae(Before Anyone Else): Youth led videos about what to know before posting nude pix, supporting friends at parties, and preventing sexual assault as bystanders.

<https://safebae.org/resources/videos/>

Our Whole Lives *Resources and Videos for Parents and Caregivers* Informed by Our Whole Lives Sexuality Education can be found here: <https://www.ucc.org/what-we-do/justice-local-church-ministries/justice/health-and-wholeness-advocacy-ministries/under-your-wing-our-whole-lives-sexuality-education-video-series/>

Advocates for Youth has a resources list that can be found here:

<https://www.advocatesforyouth.org/resources/>

Economic/Wealth Justice (poverty/food insecurity/housing)

Youth Celebrate Diversity: Workshops, videos, activities books on economic Justice, as well as many other Social Justice areas. <https://ycdiversity.org/resources/economic-justice/>

University of Minnesota Human Rights Resource Center: Economic Justice: The Scramble for Wealth and Power An active game that can be adapted for younger students, using items like candy to simulate wealth disparity and encourage discussion on fairness. It can be found here:

<https://hrlibrary.umn.edu/edumat/hreduseries/tb1b/Section2/activity2.html>

United for a Fair Economy: The Stacked Deck, a simple deck of cards that facilitates interactive dialogue by helping youth connect the dots between economic, racial, and gender inequality. Resources and downloads can be found here:

https://www.faireconomy.org/the_stacked_deck

Morningside Center 6-minute video about wealth inequality that has gone viral on the internet with small-group activities to help students explore what they think U.S. wealth distribution currently is, what they think it should be, what it actually is, and what they might do about it. It can be found here: <https://www.morningsidecenter.org/teachable-moment/lessons/wealth-inequality-america>

Disability and Mental Health Justice

Youth Celebrate Diversity: Workshops, videos, activities books on Disability Justice, as well as many other Social Justice areas. <https://ycdiversity.org/resources/disability-justice-and-youth/>

Blessed Youth Survival Guide: Book for youth re suicide prevention with affirmations and mental health tips. By Rev. Dr. Sarah Lund, UCC Minister for Mental Health and Disabilities. Chalice press, 2022

Center for Children and Youth: activities to do that promote mental health in children and youth. <https://ccy.jfcs.org/mental-health-activities-for-teens/>

Crisis Text Line: Activities by age level to promote mental health. <https://www.crisistextline.org/classroom-empathy/>

A Day in Our Shoes: activities to teach children and youth about disability awareness. <https://adayinourshoes.com/resources-to-teach-kids-about-disabilities-awareness-and-inclusion/>

General Justice Resources

Youth Celebrate Diversity: Workshops, videos, activities books on Inclusive Sports and Activities, as well as many other Social Justice areas. <https://ycdiversity.org/resources/inclusive-sports-and-activities/>

Illustrated Ministry: creates progressive faith resources for the church & home. Many coloring resources that can be done in groups. <https://www.illustratedministry.com/>

Other great local groups working for social change (but not necessarily youth focused) include:

Church Council of Greater Seattle : <https://www.thechurchcouncil.org/>

Faith Action Network: <https://fanwa.org/>