

Scouts Stand Together Against Racism

Scouts Canada's Commitment to Promote Anti-Racism

May 30, 2020—As a movement and community, Scouts stand together against racism.

We were shocked at the death of George Floyd in Minneapolis on May 25, and we are moved by the following outcry against systemic oppression. Moved and determined.

Inclusion and acceptance are at the heart of what we do as Scouts. Our movement is built on a strong foundation of fairness, friendship and equality. At this time, we recognize that we must also reflect upon how we live up to those values and strive to do better.

That is why we are moved to action. We recognize that we must not stay silent in the face of systemic racial injustices faced by people of colour in the United States and Canada. We are calling it out by adding our voice to the public support of this vital cause.

That is also why we are determined to do more. Scouts Canada will ensure our programs continue to help young people learn to look out for each other, to discover and celebrate their differences, and to call out racist language and behaviour.

These are difficult times as families are already facing unprecedented disruption. To support our community, we will be sharing content on social media over the next few days with advice and support on discussing racism with young people.

We are a movement that inspires understanding and the power of community and friendship. There is no place for racism in a vibrant, healthy community. Today, we make a commitment not only to be 'not racist' but to be actively 'anti-racist'.



It starts with Scouts.