



As the Board of Directors for Interfaith Outreach Home (IOH), we condemn systemic racism faced by black people. We acknowledge the unquantifiable pain over generations that racism has caused including poverty, underemployment, fractured families, and homelessness. Despite racism, inequity, and injustice, whether blatant or subtle, IOH families are courageously enduring a dangerous pandemic. They continue to work frontline jobs and manage the safety of their children, while schools and summer activities are shut down. Having a safe and stable place like IOH, is a comfort to our parents who are facing so much.

It is time for all of us to look at things differently and to do things differently. The IOH Board stands with our current and future resident families, who come to us poor and marginalized. We affirm our commitment to provide safe transitional housing so families can stay together as a unit, avoiding additional perils of homelessness. IOH families work, save, and eventually graduate to independent living in our communities. Unfortunately, many of these communities remain filled with systemic barriers of racial inequity and social injustices. Marginalized families deserve a fairness in access to opportunities and they deserve to be treated with dignity and respect. We are committed to a continued diversification of our Board and are committed to listening more and learning from those who have experiences very different than our own. This ability to bridge differences will make IOH even stronger as we strive to eradicate homelessness one family at a time. Please join us!