

## Cross River Dialogue 2020 Dedications -- *Eighth Candle:* *Evening of December 17*

Policing, locally and nationally, has been one of the most difficult and complex issues the Cross River Dialogue (CRD) has discussed in our time together. Another is the Occupation of Palestine. The "Occupation-Free DC" Campaign links both: The Campaign aims to end Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) "participation in US-Israeli 'counter-terrorism' police exchanges. Real safety means investing in our community, not in biased police trainings."



CRD members are involved in many other efforts concerning police, some focusing on racial disparities in MPD policy and practice.

See CRD page on [December 2020 in DC](#)

<https://occupationfreedc.org/>  
Instagram: @occupationfreedc  
Twitter: @OFDC\_campaign

Race and Policing/Occupation-Free DC and Cross River Dialogue:

- Scott Brown has been active in the Occupation-Free DC Campaign since its founding.
- Brenda Richardson is active in support of MPD and community-based policing.
- Ron Moten is active in many violence-prevention efforts, some in concert with DC police and some in opposition to specific practices.
- Several of our Jewish members work to increase awareness and action in local congregations on a variety of policing issues with a focus on racial disparities.
- Maurice Cook works to protect youth from detention and questioning by MPD and to end other community and police practices with racially disparate impact.
- Ambrose Lane Jr. and Kymone Freeman use a variety of approaches to issues of race and police, including efforts (some with other CRD members) around gentrification, such as #DontMuteDC and #SoundProofDC.

### **Dedicate Time and Attention:**

Learn about [ADL's "Leadership Seminar"](#) and the racial profiling **practiced and taught**  
Learn important background from [Amnesty International](#)  
Read more at <https://occupationfreedc.org/>

Check out CRD's "[Message for Jews who Say 'Black Lives Matter'](#)"

See CRD's page, [December 2020 in DC](#), regarding police and white supremacists

**Note: Not every member endorses each project here, but we all support one another.**

**Dedicate Funds:** Support these efforts with monetary donations.