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Joint Statement Regarding the 2019 Hate and Bias Annual Report Release

We, the organizations signed below, are committed to building and sustaining a community in Eugene that is welcoming and inclusive for every person living, working and visiting here. We are joining together in solidarity with the people and communities who have experienced hate and bias or discrimination in our city in a unified voice to say that hate will not be tolerated here. Hate and bias activity undermines the type of community we all want to live in.

We join the City of Eugene as they release the annual Hate and Bias report from 2019. This report highlights just a few of the stories we hear regularly from people in our communities about their experiences of being targeted by hate, bigotry and discrimination. This behavior is simply unacceptable. We know that as a community we can do better. We are a community that welcomes all people with respect and love. The report is available at <https://www.eugene-or.gov/3643/Hate-and-Bias-Report>

The first step to addressing any challenge facing our community is to understand it. We ask that if you are a victim of hate, discrimination, or bias you report it. Reporting ensures that these incidents are documented, responded to, and helps ongoing work to reduce hate and bigotry.

Criminal activity motivated by hate and bias can be reported to Eugene Police by calling 911 for emergencies and (541) 682-5111 for non-emergencies. Non-criminal hate and bias incidents are reported to HRNI in multiple ways:

- Direct report using the online form: <https://www.eugene-or.gov/reporthat>
- Via phone call (541) 682-5177 or email to HRNI staff (hrni@ci.eugene.or.us)
- Transferred from Eugene Police when hate and bias cases reported to police are found to be non-criminal.

We are working together to invite each person in our community to act to build the vibrant community we all want to live in: A community that is stronger together, welcomes newcomers, embraces difference, and above all comes together to eliminate hate. Please join us in that effort.

Sincerely,

[Active Bethel Citizens](#)
[Bethel School District](#)
[Beyond Toxics](#)
[Bring Recycling](#)

[Centro Latino Americano](#)
[Churchill Area Neighbors](#)
[Community Alliance of Lane County \(CALC\)](#)
[Community Supported Shelters](#)
[Downtown Neighborhood Association](#)
[Eugene Family YMCA](#)
[Eugene Islamic Center](#)
[Eugene School District 4J](#)
[Fairmount Neighbors](#)
[Friendly Area Neighbors](#)
[Friends of Sanctuary](#)
[Grupo Latino Acción Directa of Lane County \(GLAD\)](#)
[Harlow Neighbors](#)
[Human Rights, Human Stories](#)
[Integration Network for Immigrants](#)
[Jefferson Westside Neighbors](#)
[Jewish Federation of Lane County](#)
[Lane Community College](#)
[Lane County](#)
[Lane Education Service District](#)
[Lane Independent Living Alliance](#)
[Lane Transit District \(LTD\)](#)
[Laurel Hill Valley Citizens](#)
[League of United Latin American Citizens of Lane County \(LULAC\)](#)
[NAACP Eugene Springfield](#)
[River Road Community Organization](#)
[Sanctuary TBI](#)
[Santa Clara Community Organization](#)
[Showing Up for Racial Justice Springfield-Eugene \(SURJ\)](#)
[South University Neighborhood Association](#)
[Southeast Neighbors](#)
[Southwest Hills Neighborhood Association \(SHiNA\)](#)
[Sponsors Inc](#)
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[TransPonder](#)
[Unitarian Universalist Church of Eugene](#)