

BUSINESS

WORK INTERNALLY

- Tap internal employee resource networks to create a fun, participatory activity that highlights everyone's commitment to racial diversity and equity in the workplace.
- Make a dollars and cents (sense) argument that companies/ businesses who have implemented culturally appropriate/ racially equitable strategies are profitable. Use the W.K. <u>Kellogg Foundation's Business Case for Racial Equity.</u>

BUILD PARTNERSHIPS

- Enlist local area businesses and associations, like your local Chamber of Commerce, to help co-sponsor an event on Jan. 21, 2020.
- Kickoff a quarterly lunch and learn series on Jan. 21, 2020. Invite local businesses, associations, unions, minority professional organizations and others for friendly and informal conversations. Create a space where colleagues can share reliable information, inspiring ideas and brainstorm solutions for workplace implementation and eventual measurement. Use our **Business Case for Racial Equity** as a guide.

BE THE TALK OF THE TOWN

- Create a Diversity Proclamation and invite businesses you are aligned with to sign; encourage all participating businesses to frame and proudly display the proclamation at their place of business. (Download a template here.)
- Share your ideas and workplace equity initiatives via social media and use the #HowWeHeal hashtag to join the conversation nationally. Post your "solution stories" to common challenges and inspire others by sharing your accomplishments in diversity and inclusion. Buy advertising space in local publications (online or in print) to let your community know that you support the National Day of Racial Healing on Jan. 21, 2020. Or sponsor a lengthier article outlining your company's commitment to racial equity and healing. Be sure to share your ad on your website and social media networks. Don't forget to use the hashtag #HowWeHeal so everyone can find it.
- Connect with your local mayor's office to discover a cooperative project related to diversity in your business and employment sectors.

Ask your elected officials about issuing a local proclamation naming Jan. 21, 2020 the National Day of Racial Healing in your community. (Download draft proclamation text here.)