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Annual Membership Request - Fall 2024

Dear Friends and Supporters:

As we navigate a complex and often challenging landscape, we at Belmont Against Racism (BAR) are grateful for your unwavering support. Our mission—**Think Globally. Act Locally!**—is more relevant than ever as we strive to build an inclusive and inviting community grounded in dignity and mutual respect.

Recent political challenges, including attacks on our democracy and the growing divisiveness in our nation, highlight the importance of our work. We are witnessing disheartening trends, from the suppression of voting rights to a significant rise in antisemitic incidents, as well as an alarming increase in hate crimes targeting marginalized communities. These challenges remind us that our collective efforts are crucial in standing up for justice and equality.

In Belmont, we are committed to creating a safe and welcoming environment for all. Thanks to your generosity, we have made significant strides, including:


- **Community Engagement:** We've hosted and sponsored events that bring together diverse voices, celebrating our rich multicultural heritage while addressing the pressing issues of our time.
- **Partnerships for Change:** Our collaborations with local schools and organizations continue to foster dialogue and promote understanding, especially around issues of equity and inclusion.
- **Advocacy Efforts:** We have actively participated in community forums to address systemic racism and advocate for policies that protect and uplift our most vulnerable residents.

As we look to the future, we need your support to amplify our impact. Your contributions will allow us to expand our programs, increase outreach, and continue advocating for meaningful change in our community. Together, we can counteract the forces that threaten our values and ensure that Belmont remains a beacon of hope and inclusivity.

Join us in this essential work. Your support—whether through a one-time donation or a recurring gift—will make a significant difference. Together, we can create a community where everyone is valued and respected.

Thank you for standing with us in this vital mission. We appreciate your commitment to fostering an inclusive and equitable community in Belmont.

With gratitude,
The Board of Directors of Belmont Against Racism

I wish to make a 2024-2025 Contribution to:	
<input type="checkbox"/> BAR Membership Dues: <input type="checkbox"/> \$35 <input type="checkbox"/> \$50 <input type="checkbox"/> \$75 <input type="checkbox"/> \$100 <input type="checkbox"/> Other \$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> METCO Support Fund \$ _____
You can also contribute online through  at belmontagainstracism.org	

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Thanks to the generous donations from our members and supporters, BAR was able to support the following activities. Your financial support is greatly appreciated and is having a meaningful impact!

Funding Support (2023-2024)

- METCO Fund to support our Boston high school students & for activities and teacher training related to diversity, equity, and inclusion across all schools
- Support for Latinx Heritage Event
- Support for LGBTQ+ Trinktisch Event
- Support for Black & Brown in Belmont Event
- Support for the Marsha P. Johnson Institute
- Support for the Palestine Children's Relief Fund
- Global Film Festival
- Support for Belmont Pan-Asian Coalition
- Belmont Rugby Association
- BHS Girls and Boys Rugby Teams Trip to Washington, D.C.
- Belmont High School Make a Statement Day
- Support for Belmont Community Iftaar
- Trans Day of Remembrance
- Louis D. Brown Peace Institute (Mother's Day Walk for Peace)
- Belmont High School Field Trip to Auschwitz Exhibit
- Support for Beech Street Center Belmont Connect Event
- Belmont Pride March And Celebration
- Annual Martin Luther King Breakfast
- BHS Global Leadership Social Studies Trip to Partners in Health
- Elementary Schools Stay and Play - Field Trip to Belmont Center for METCO Students
- Support for Lunar New Year Festival and Parade
- Support for snacks for METCO Elementary Students for the bus ride home
- Boston/Belmont Scholarships (BHS-deferred to 2025)
- Anthony Lumley Scholarship (BHS-deferred to 2025)