



# Good Faith Communities Coalition

Taking action on homelessness and affordable housing with and for the poor in the District of Columbia

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**Rallies in DC allow the voices of the people, frequently voices outraged by events or issues, to move center stage - in shouts and in silence.**



This weekend shouts and silence were heard here and across the country: **MARCH FOR OUR LIVES**. Widely held values on the critical importance of children's safety, particularly at school, have once more been assaulted - this time by the shooting at the Parkland School. Are the voices and silence strong enough, and organized enough, to put the problem on the political agenda, and keep it there, until their demands are met?

The National Council of Churches will rally across the country and here in the District on April 4th to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the death of Martin Luther King and to launch a national campaign "to identify, name and address the trauma caused by racism in the United States - especially as it impacts people of African descent." The rally will take place on the Mall (13th St NW, between Jefferson and Madison), beginning at 9 AM. [More information](#)

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**Mayor's Proposed Budget for FY2019: Human Services and the Housing Production Trust Fund.** Not to be lost as our national concerns dominate the news, the Mayor has proposed a FY 2019 budget for Council consideration. The hearing for the Department of Human Services budget is April 12 at 10 AM in the Wilson Building; the hearing for the Housing Production Trust Fund is April 17 at 11 AM at the same location. Analysis of the proposed budget in the Good Faith focus areas of homeless services and affordable housing will be posted on the Good Faith website as they become available.

**Race and Homelessness.** Conversation on racial inequalities as they affect housing security; exploration of concrete strategies needed to prevent and end homelessness. [Friendship Place Education and Advocacy Symposium](#) at National United Methodist Church, 3401 Nebraska Ave. NW, April 4, 2015 at 6:15 PM.

"In whatever form, intolerance of other people because of their race, religion or national origin

is ultimately a denial of human dignity. No one is better than another person because of the color of their skin or the place of their birth. What makes us equal before God and what should make us equal in dignity before each other is that we are all sisters and brothers of one another, because we are all children of the same loving God who brought us into being."

[The Challenge of Racism Today](#) . Donald Cardinal Wuerl, Archbishop of Washington.



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