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A Statement from WNYLRC

The Western New York Library Resources Council is reaching out to extend our deepest condolences to those affected by the racially motivated mass shooting and killing of ten people that occurred at the Jefferson Avenue Tops in Buffalo on Saturday, May 14th.

The history and present reality of racism in our communities runs deep. We can and must do better, and the Western New York Library Council is resolved to be a part of that change. We have a long way to go before Buffalo can truly live up to its name as the City of Good Neighbors.

WNYLRC also supports all affected staff and member libraries at this critical time, and we urge anyone who would like, or need, to talk, to use assets like 211 WNY. Anyone can use the website at <https://www.211wny.org>, or call 1-888-696-9211 and get connected to a range of assistive resources.

[Buffalo Rising has compiled a list of local organizations that are accepting donations.](#)

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