

## **BUILDING A CULTURE of REPARATIONS**

**(Zoom Training, hosted by The Truth Telling Project) starting JANUARY 21st**

In January, 2023, a group of UUsMA members - Bruce Pollack-Johnson, Cynthia Bradley, Cathy McCoubrey, Craig Stevens and Rev. Sims - participated in an in-depth training in "*Building a Culture of Reparations*" led by The Truth Telling Project (see link below for more information) and hosted by the Mayor's Faith-Based Task Force and Reparation Works, a local project working with faith-based groups in advancing reparations study, reflection and action.

The Truth Telling Project is hosting a Zoom version of their ***Building a Culture of Reparations*** course starting on **Sunday evening, January 21st , and running six Sundays through March 3rd, 2024, 6:00PM to 8:30PM ET.**

If you are interested in participating in our congregation's work on reparations for black, indigenous and other people of color impacted by slavery and the legacy of Jim Crow and systemic racism persisting to this day, we encourage you to explore this training opportunity.

**Laurie Durkin and Fern Culhane are signed up for the training and we encourage others to join them. [Learn more and register here.](#)**

**Course description:** "The course includes the spiritual dimension of reparations from the perspective of faith-based and ethically oriented traditions, the history of reparations and its major figures, and the moral and psychological benefits of reparations. This is not a beginner's course, but a beginning practitioner's reparations course. As a result, we assume that you have a moderate-significant education and experience with anti-racist and reparations education. There are three tracks for this training program: faith/spirituality, educators, and financial professionals. We suggest you look at the training track for faith/spirituality.

Contact: For information on our reparations work and any possible financial support to participate in the faith/spirituality training program, please contact Bruce Pollack-Johnson or the other members of the training team from last year.