

# March 11, 2021

Happy world kidney day!



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# Today we will...



Learn about a few social movements that challenged racism



Find out more about mutual aid and various mutual aid efforts in our own neighborhoods!



Learn about current abolitionist movements and the people fighting to end racism in contemporary times



# Key Terms for the day

**Abolition:** the act of banning something- an institution, system, or practice

**Community:** a group of people living in the same place *or* a group of people with a shared ideology, identity, or characteristic

**Redlining:** to refuse a loan or lease (rent) to someone based on the demographics of their neighborhood of origin or the neighborhood they are trying to move into to based on their race or other identity markers.

**Mutual Aid:** a mutual exchange of goods or services for mutual benefit. Often community or neighborhood based- “neighbors helping neighbors”



1830-1870s

The first American  
Abolitionist  
Movement

# Abolitionist Movement

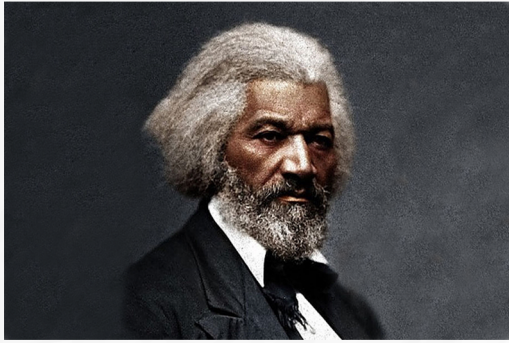
## U.S. History



Course Hero, Dr. Christopher E. Manning

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dYAtravaOlc&t=17s&ab\\_channel=CourseHero](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dYAtravaOlc&t=17s&ab_channel=CourseHero)

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*"It is not light that we need, but fire; it is not the gentle shower, but thunder. We need the storm, the whirlwind, and the earthquake."*

Frederick Douglass

Source: <https://www.goodreads.com/quotes/304628-it-is-not-light-that-we-need-but-fire-it>

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# The Chicago Freedom Movement



# Chicago Freedom Movement

- ★ Lasted from 1965-1967, great example of community organizing
- ★ Used tactics and inspiration from the Abolitionist movement
- ★ Chicago residents used non-violent direct action methods to address issues facing Black Chicagoans such as segregated housing due to **redlining**, educational deficiencies, income inequalities, health disparities, and more
- ★ Credited with being the “most ambitious” civil rights campaign in the Northern United States
- ★ Local civil rights groups invited Dr. King to lead demonstrations in education and housing advocacy
- ★ The goal was to change racist laws that allowed housing legally sanctioned housing discrimination to occur
- ★ Credited with inspiring Congress to pass the Fair Housing Act in 1968
  - Prohibited discrimination in housing based on one’s identity

Sources: <https://www.blackpast.org/african-american-history/chicago-freedom-movement-1965-1967/>  
<https://nlihc.org/resource/chicago-freedom-movement>

# Current Abolitionist Movements: Prison Abolition

Maya Schenwar discusses the background and need for prison abolition advocacy.



[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JFTRn\\_slGiQ&ab\\_channel=TEDxTalks](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JFTRn_slGiQ&ab_channel=TEDxTalks)

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# What's the difference between Mutual Aid and other nonprofits?

Both are able to do good work and help others, but the approach is different (especially in the age of COVID)! Mutual aid typically focuses on a specific community to serve.



Source: <https://www.thecut.com/2020/09/what-exactly-is-mutual-aid-how-to-get-involved.html>  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3vtsm6z98gg&ab\\_channel=PraxisU](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3vtsm6z98gg&ab_channel=PraxisU)

# Mutual Aid Organizations in Chicago





# Scholarship Opportunity for 9th Graders:

The Ewing-Jones Scholarship for the  
Leadership Academy at the W.E.B. Du Bois  
Scholars Institute at Princeton University

<https://eveewing.com/#/scholarship/>

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Thanks everyone,  
and have a wonderful  
weekend!