



Morgan Hill Historical Society

To preserve and share the history of Morgan Hill, and its environs, to inspire a sense of community.

Position Statement

Morgan Hill Historical Society Board of Directors, Adopted on September 23, 2020

Supporting Ethnic and Social Justice

The Morgan Hill Historical Society is committed to standing with the Black community and all people who suffer from social injustice.

In recent months our nation has seen an acceleration of events involving police misconduct and brutality, and racial injustice primarily against people of African American descent. As a nation we witnessed, along with the rest of the world, the unlawful and brutal death of George Floyd by members of the Minneapolis police force.

Our nation is facing a systemic and complex crisis which is endemic in policing policies and practices in many communities in our nation, but beyond this, these injustices have permeated our social justice systems. People of all races are calling for change in the systemic racism which has been a part of the fabric of America's history since the first Europeans landed on our shores centuries ago.

The Morgan Hill Historical Society denounces violence against all people, and we recognize the urgency of this particular situation. To this end we are committed to standing with all people experiencing social injustices. On July 17, 2020 the City of Morgan Hill adopted Resolution 20-039 proclaiming Black Lives Matter and committing to stand in solidarity with its Black Community. The city cannot make these changes without the support of the entire community. In light of this, on August 17, 2020 the Morgan Hill Historical Society adopted Resolution 20-01 committing to a diverse, supportive, inclusive community and to applying this commitment to all of the Society's activities, programs and communications.

Preserving and sharing history through education is the heart of our mission. Understanding the lessons of the past enables us to make better decisions for the future. We want our community to be safe for all people suffering from social inequities and injustices. Without education, training, and inclusion, there will be no reform, there will be no meaningful change.

In support of the Society's mission, it will collaborate in interactive dialogue for peaceful exchanges with other community organizations to create positive recommendations of actions to move our community forward with equity, diversity, and inclusion for all.

We are all members of one human race.

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