

Dear Los Angeles,

At Women's March LA Foundation (WMLA), we recognize that there is no true peace, freedom, or inclusion without equity for all.

We wanted to remind everyone that while our grassroots organizations were created at the same time, WMLA and Women's March Inc. are two similar, but separate, organizations. WMLA produces and funds events and programs independently in Los Angeles, and we only decide to participate in actions initiated by Women's March Inc. when we believe such actions will resonate with you, our supporters, based on your feedback.

In recent days, you have reached out to us in concern about Women's March, Inc.'s Leadership Team and their perceived support of Louis Farrakhan whose statements about Jewish, queer, and trans people are NOT aligned with the Women's March Unity Principles or WMLA and are frankly unacceptable to those of us working in and building this intersectional and inclusive movement.

We want to say plainly and clearly that WMLA will not support comments or actions from any person or group that are meant to negatively target, disparage, denigrate, threaten, or harm another person or group. Period. Not even our own. Not even Women's March Inc.

At WMLA we come from diverse backgrounds, religions, class, and identities and we stand with those that are being and have been oppressed. WMLA recognizes the power in words and we know how much pain these statements have caused for our Jewish organizers and the LGBTQIA+ community and to those we apologize on behalf of the insensitive and out-of-touch actions of Women's March, Inc.

As we all move forward as our own independent organization we will continue to be authentic with you and do everything in our power to demonstrate and promote intersectionality and inclusivity. We fully understand that organizing is not easy but if we do not stand for everyone, we stand for no one.

Thank you for continuing to be in this with us, and stay tuned for more from us at WMLA.

Thank you,

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