## RACIAL JUSTICE TEAM



## **55 YEARS AGO**



- Fifty-five years ago, Congress passed the Fair Housing act which made it illegal to discriminate based on race or religion in <u>all</u> aspects of home sales and rentals.
- BUT, today a Black loan applicant is more than twice as likely to be denied a home mortgage than a white applicant.
- Data is from the report of the National Association of Real Estate Brokers.
- About 45 percent of Black households own their homes compared to 74 percent of white households.
- "Discrimination and systemic racism is still happening around the country," said Lydia Pope, president of the association.

May we all do whatever we can in our own situations to recognize these disparities and dedicate ourselves to achieving equity and justice for all Americans.

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