

"True peace is not merely the absence of tension; it is the presence of justice."

- Dr. Martin Luther King Jr

### **Dear ONE DC Family,**

As we enter Black History Month, we honor the resilience, innovation, and transformative power of the Black community—past, present, and future. This February, let us reflect on the contributions of our ancestors and continue the fight for equity, liberation, and community-based progress.

Below, you'll find a full lineup of events, meetings, and opportunities for growth. Join us as we celebrate Black History Month through collective action, political education, and wellness.

# **Upcoming Events & Meetings**

**Building Tenant Power: Join the HFA DC Circle** 



Why Attend: This circle unites Tenant Associations from across DC to share strategies, resources, and victories in the struggle for fair, safe housing. Whether you're a long-time tenant leader or looking for ways to get involved, this is your chance to connect with neighbors and strengthen citywide tenant rights campaigns.

**Date & Time:** Saturday, February 8, 2025 | 10:30am–1:30pm

Location: Black Workers & Wellness Center, 2500 Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue SE

**RSVP Here** 

# **Fueling Our Movement: Become a Grassroots Fundraiser**



**Why Attend:** The base of our funding is a combination of small and major donations from individual community members, and grants won through the efforts of our committed grant-writing team made up of members, interns, and staff.

Our goal is to continue develop a long-term grassroots fundraising strategy with the goal of having a greater percentage of our funding come from our strong base of long-time supporters. **Join our Right to Resources Committee meeting for our monthly meeting and learn how to be involved.** 

**Date & Time:** Monday, January 13, 2025 | 6:30pm-8:00pm

Location: Virtual

**RSVP Here** 

# **Breaking the Barriers to Economic Equality**



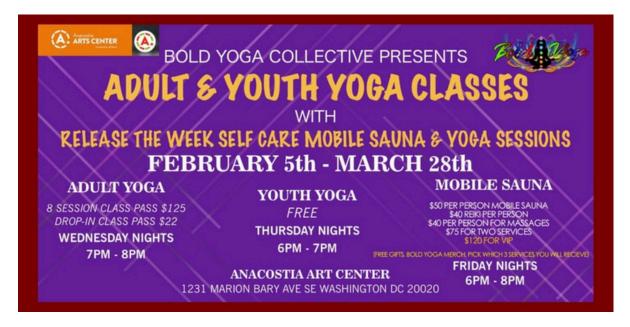
Meet ONE DC's newest organizational member, **Economic Social Impact Solutions (ESIS)**—a nonprofit helping aspiring entrepreneurs and small businesses thrive. ESIS also operates **New Hope Career Services**, which provides:

- Skills training and job placement assistance
- Ongoing career development opportunities
- Comprehensive support for sustainable employment and financial stability

If you're seeking a new career path or looking to advance in your current role, visit New Hope Career Services for more details.

### **Learn More**

## **Mind-Body Harmony for All Ages**



Support fellow ONE DC members in the Bold Yoga Collective by participating in classes that promote self-care and wellness. Embrace the restorative power of yoga and community.

• Adult Yoga: Wednesdays, 7pm–8pm

• Free Youth Yoga: Thursdays, 6pm-7pm

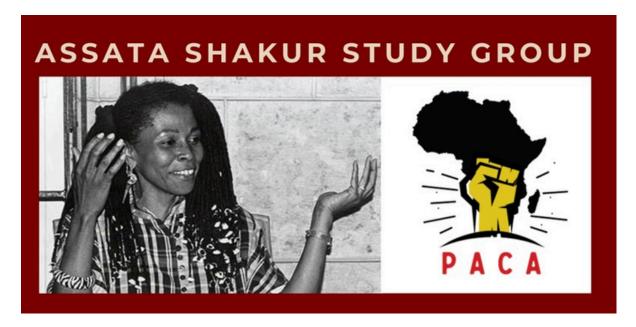
• Mobile Sauna: Fridays, 6pm-8pm

**Hosted by:** Bold Yoga Collective **Dates:** February 5 – March 28, 2025

Location: Anacostia Art Center, 1231 Marion Barry Avenue, Washington, DC 20020

**RSVP Here** 

**Power Through Political Education** 



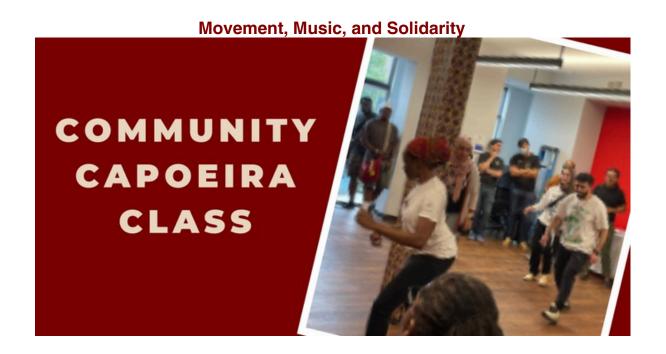
This Black History Month, deepen your political consciousness by studying the legacies of radical resistance. PACA's Assata Shakur Study Group offers in-depth, inclusive discussions on topics like capitalism, white supremacy, patriarchy, and the path toward collective liberation. All levels of experience are welcome—come ready to read, share, and listen.

**Hosted by:** Pan-African Community Action (PACA) **When:** Every 2nd & 4th Wednesday, 7pm–9pm

Location: Black Workers & Wellness Center, 2500 Martin Luther King Ave SE, Washington, DC

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**Learn More** 



When: Mondays at 6:30pm

Location: Black Workers & Wellness Center

Experience the Afro-Brazilian martial art of Capoeira, which unites movement, music, and spirit. All

bodies and abilities are welcome, and donations are appreciated.

Contact: MXGMDC@gmail.com

**Learn More** 

Where Men Connect & Support Each Other





Hosted by: W8CED Think Tank

When: Every 3rd Wednesday of the Month, 6pm-8pm

Location: Black Workers & Wellness Center, 2500 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave SE

**Facilitators** Better Man & Senergy Presents invite you to a safe space for men to discuss how trauma and mental health shape everyday life. Gather in solidarity, build support, and cultivate healing.

**Learn More** 

**Anti-ICE Hotline: Defend Our Community** 



Call this hotline to report ICE raids or if your loved one has been detained by ICE. No legal advice is provided, but you'll find information on available resources. Always remember:

- 1. Do NOT open the door
- 2. Remain silent
- 3. Do NOT sign anything

Stay informed on ICE activity in the DC area through this hotline.

**Learn More** 

Share Our Space: Book the Black Workers & Wellness Center



# BLACK WORKER & WELLNESS CENTER SPACE USAGE

Our Black Workers & Wellness Center is more than a venue—it's a hub for radical ideas, community empowerment, and shared leadership. The space is available for workshops, outreach events, health & wellness sessions, and more.

- How to book: Visit our webpage to fill out the short space usage form or call 202-902-3944 and speak with Poncho.
- Sliding Scale Fees: We work to ensure financial barriers don't stop important organizing efforts.

**Plan Ahead**: Please book at least 21 days in advance. See our <u>Events Calendar</u> for current availability.

# **Stay Connected & Informed**

Past Editions: You can find past issues of *The Monthly Voice* here.

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Follow Us: Keep up with ONE DC on Instagram, Twitter or Facebook.

In this month of reflection and celebration, let's continue the legacy of Black History by weaving our stories of collective struggle into a vision of shared liberation. Thank you for standing with ONE DC in the pursuit of safe, dignified housing, workers' rights, and thriving communities. Together, we'll make 2025 a year of powerful change.

In Solidarity,

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