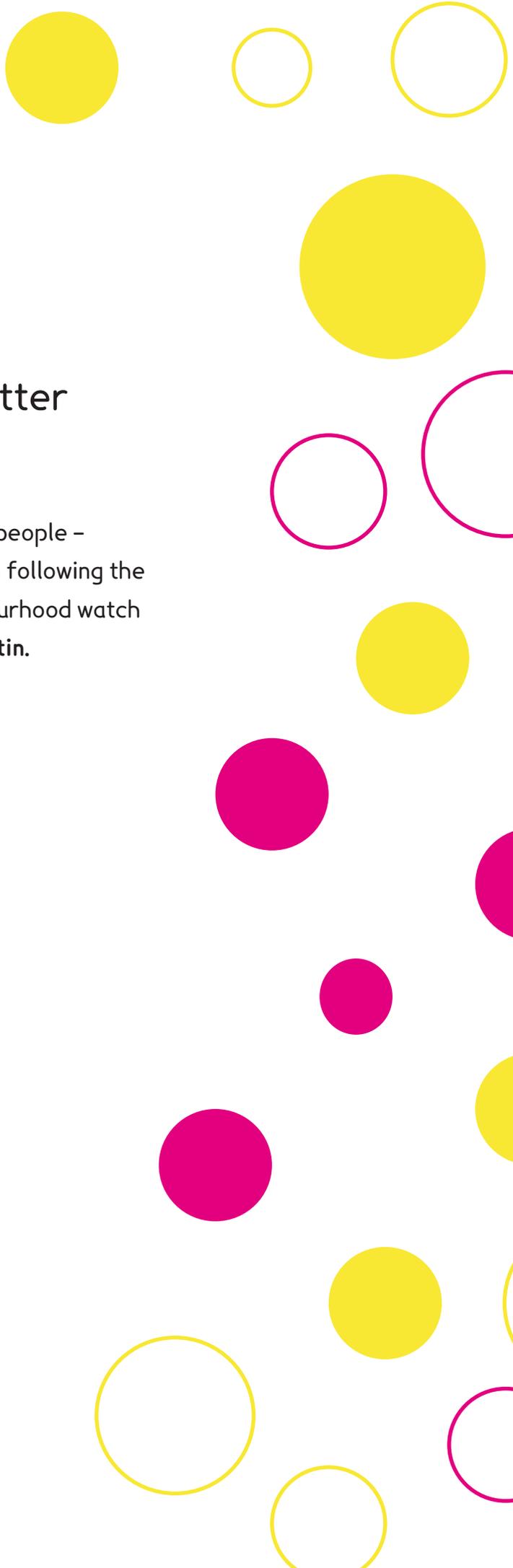


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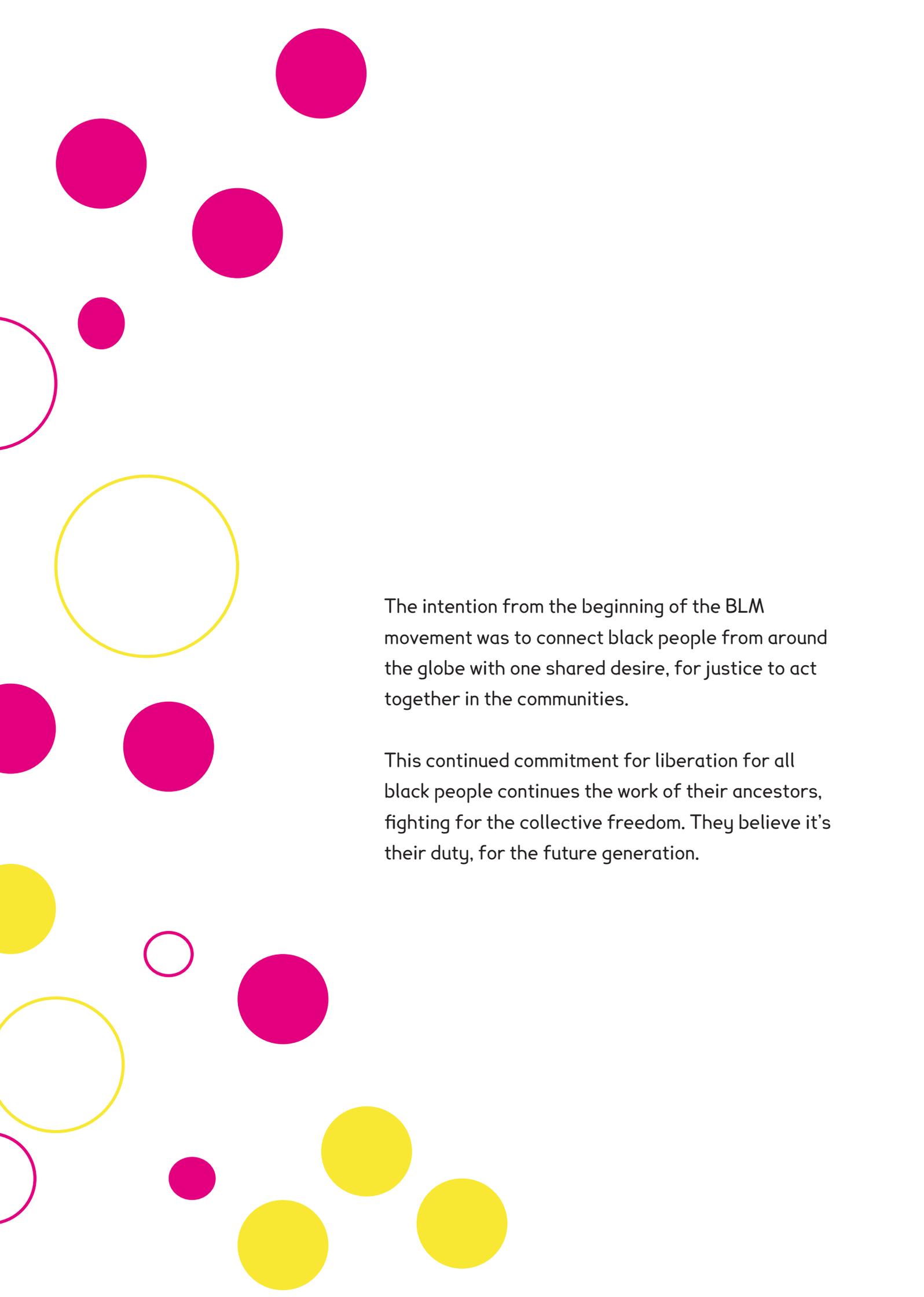




What is the Black Lives Matter Movement?

On July 13, 2013, hundreds of thousands of people – mostly Black people – flooded the US streets following the acquittal of **George Zimmerman**, the neighbourhood watch volunteer who killed 17 year old **Trayvon Martin**.

What we came to embrace that night is that the murder of **Trayvon Martin**, **Oscar Grant** before him, **Devin Brown** before him, **Tyisha Miller** before him, **Margaret Michell** before her... and so many others, was not accidental.



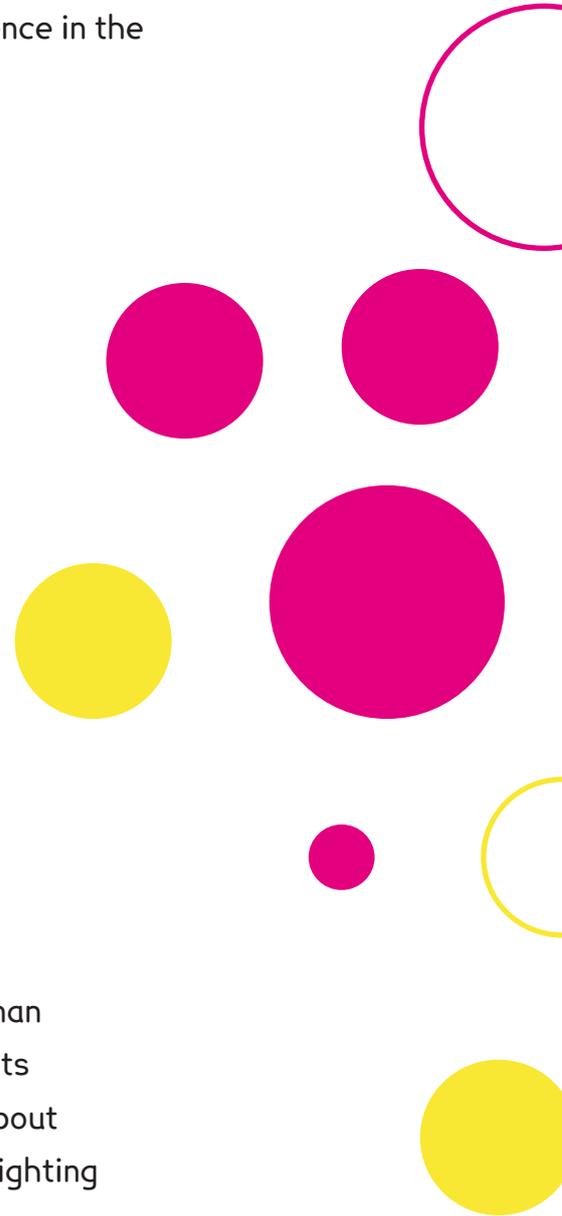
The intention from the beginning of the BLM movement was to connect black people from around the globe with one shared desire, for justice to act together in the communities.

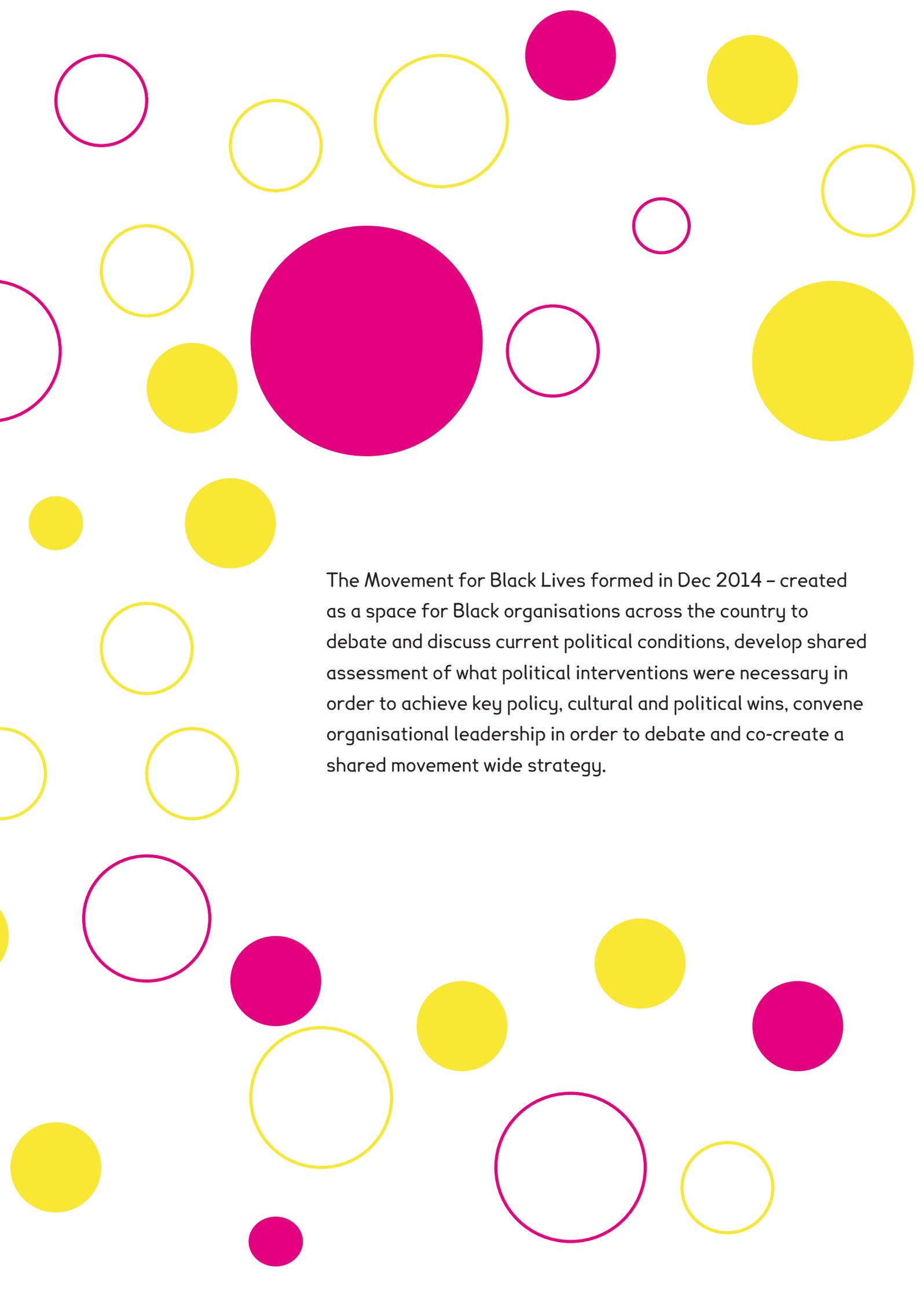
This continued commitment for liberation for all black people continues the work of their ancestors, fighting for the collective freedom. They believe it's their duty, for the future generation.

The BLM movement

Black Lives Matter is an ideological and political intervention in a world where Black lives are systematically and intentionally targeted for demise. It is an affirmation of 'Black folks' humanity, their contribution to society, and the resilience in the face of deadly oppression.

Black live Matter has always been a human rights movement, rather than a civil rights movement. BLM's focus has been less about changing specific laws and more about fighting for a fundamental reordering of society wherein Black lives are free from sys-tematic dehumanisation. Every human no matter the colour of their skin should be treated the equally.





The Movement for Black Lives formed in Dec 2014 – created as a space for Black organisations across the country to debate and discuss current political conditions, develop shared assessment of what political interventions were necessary in order to achieve key policy, cultural and political wins, convene organisational leadership in order to debate and co-create a shared movement wide strategy.

Why did BLM start again in 2020?

On the 23rd of February 2020 **Ahmaud Arbery** a 25 year old black man was jogging in Brunswick when he was shot **two times** by **Gregory** and **Travis McMichael**.

Why did they shoot **Ahmaud Arbery**? **Gregory** and **Travis McMichael** claimed that **Ahmaud Arbery** resembled a suspect in a series of local break-ins. Although the police have come out and said there was no reports filed regarding the break ins.

On the 13th of March 2020 **Breonna Taylor** a 26 year old black woman was asleep in her own house in Louisville, when police officers **Jonathan Mattingly**, **Brett Hankison**, and **Myles Cosgrove** were doing a 'no knock' investigation and entered **Breonna Taylor's** home and shot her **eight times**.

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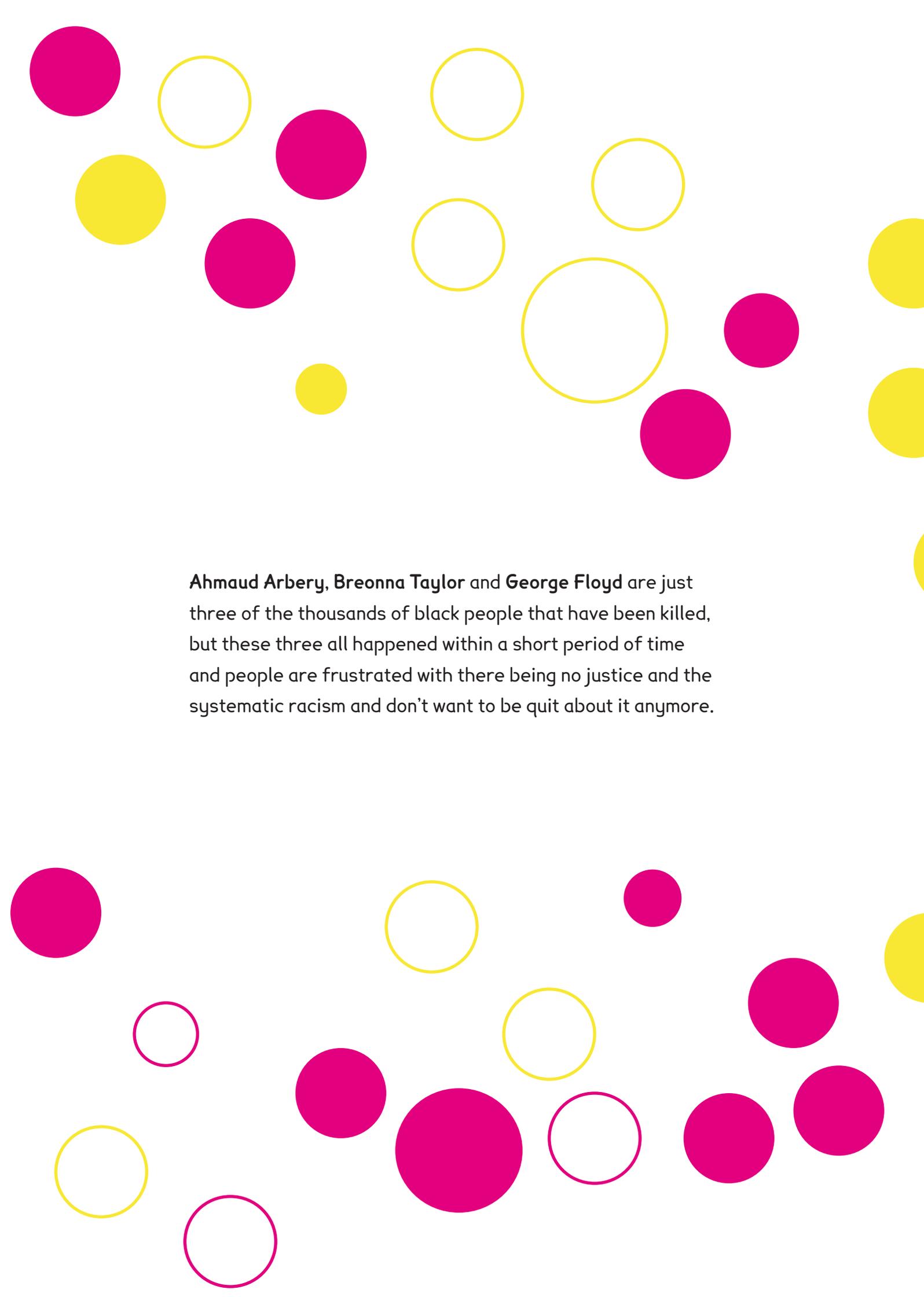
The officers were investigating a drug charge and entered the wrong house ending with **Breonna Taylor** being murdered and **Breonna Taylor's** boyfriend being injured by the police when he was trying to self defence as he thought they were being broken in to.



On the 25th of May 2020 **George Floyd** a 46 year old black man was leaving a grocery store in Minneapolis when he was stopped by the police (**Derek Chauvin**) made him lay face down handcuffed on the street. The officer **Derek Chauvin** knelt on **George Floyd's** neck for almost nine minutes resulting in suffocating and killing **George Floyd**.

Why did they kneel on **George Floyd**? **George Floyd** used a counterfeit \$20 bill.

What do they have in common? They were all **black** being killed by **white** men, most of whom are police officers.



Ahmaud Arbery, Breonna Taylor and George Floyd are just three of the thousands of black people that have been killed, but these three all happened within a short period of time and people are frustrated with there being no justice and the systematic racism and don't want to be quit about it anymore.

Why did it go global?

The world watched the video of **George Floyd** being killed and begging for his life to **Derek Chauvin** and became angered and disgusted to how black people are treated inhumanly because of their skin colour. This caused countries all over the world to form protests to stand in solidarity with **George Floyd** and all who have suffered the same fate, but also bring light to the systematic racism the world was built on.



What was the main intention of the Black Lives Matter movement?

- A** To bring justice for Trayvon Martins murder
- B** To connect black people from around the globe with one shared desire
- C** To push a civil rights movement.

What was Ahmaud Arbery doing? Before he was

- A** Breaking into a small convenience shop.
- B** Kidnapping innocent people for blackmale.
- C** Going out for a jog in the neighbourhood

What did the world see that caused the BLM movment to go global?

- A** Derek Chauvin suffocated a man to death by kneeling on his neck for 8 minutes.
- B** An innocnet white person was shot during the arrest of a black person.
- C** Officer Cole Mason was seen shouting racial slurs.





How can you help?

There's four main methods to help not only the BLM movement but change the world for the better these include; Educating yourself, Donating, Protesting and Teaching.

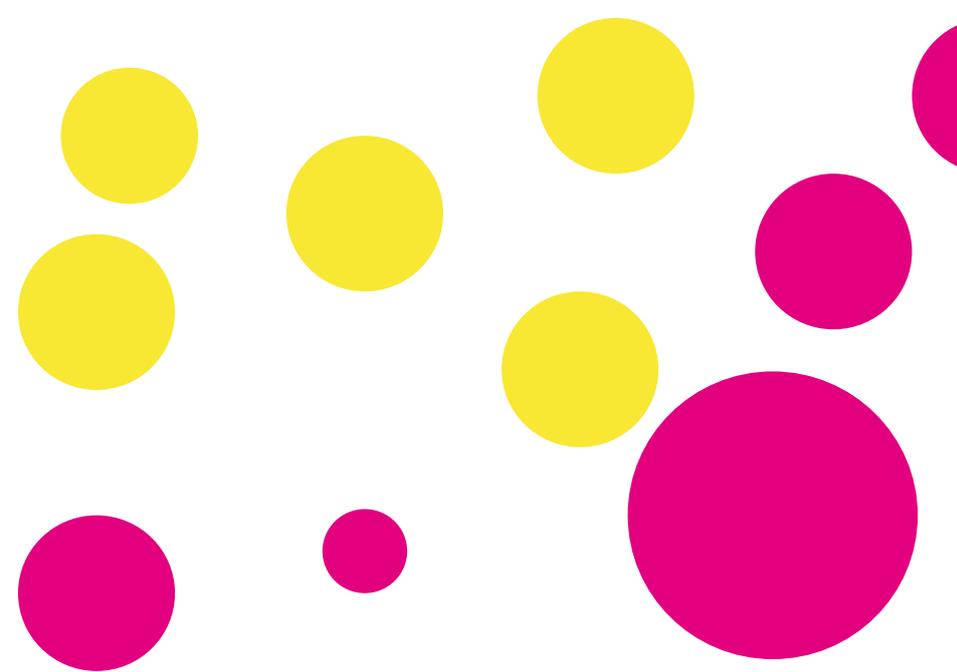
Protest

Protest can mean many things you can go out and show your support in person but change can be made in so many other ways all you need to do is not stay silent! Petitions are a great way to make change they work. Arrests and charges were made to all four officers involved in the **George Floyd** incident thanks to petitions. real change has happened in states across the US thanks to petitions. Petitions help produce a collective voice to push an agenda and it works.

Educate yourself

Educating yourself is incredibly important but good news reading this you're already on the process. Racism clearly still exists but why?

reading and listening is the best way to educate yourself, books such as 'Something Happened in Our Town' by Ann Hazzard (a story about how a towns reaction to a police officer shooting a black man) and 'A Good Kind of Trouble' by Lisa Remée (which directly talks about a black persons involvement in BLM) show how black people deal with racism in their everyday normal lives.



Teach

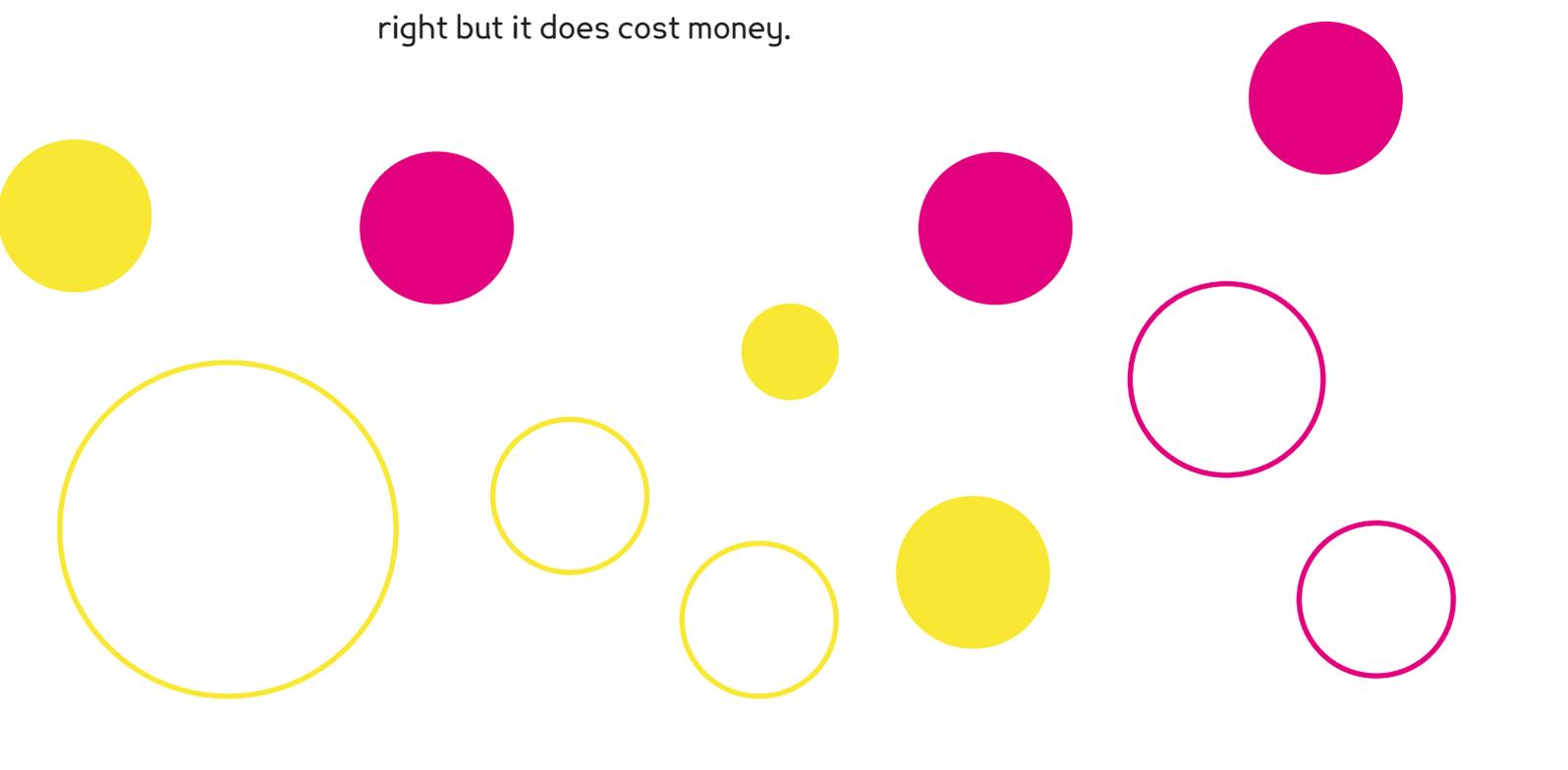
The fact that you are reading this means you are learning but there may be a lot more people who have no idea about the racism that still exists in the 21st century, now that you know it is your duty to spread the message, teach and enlighten others the faster people are educated the sooner real change and equality can happen.

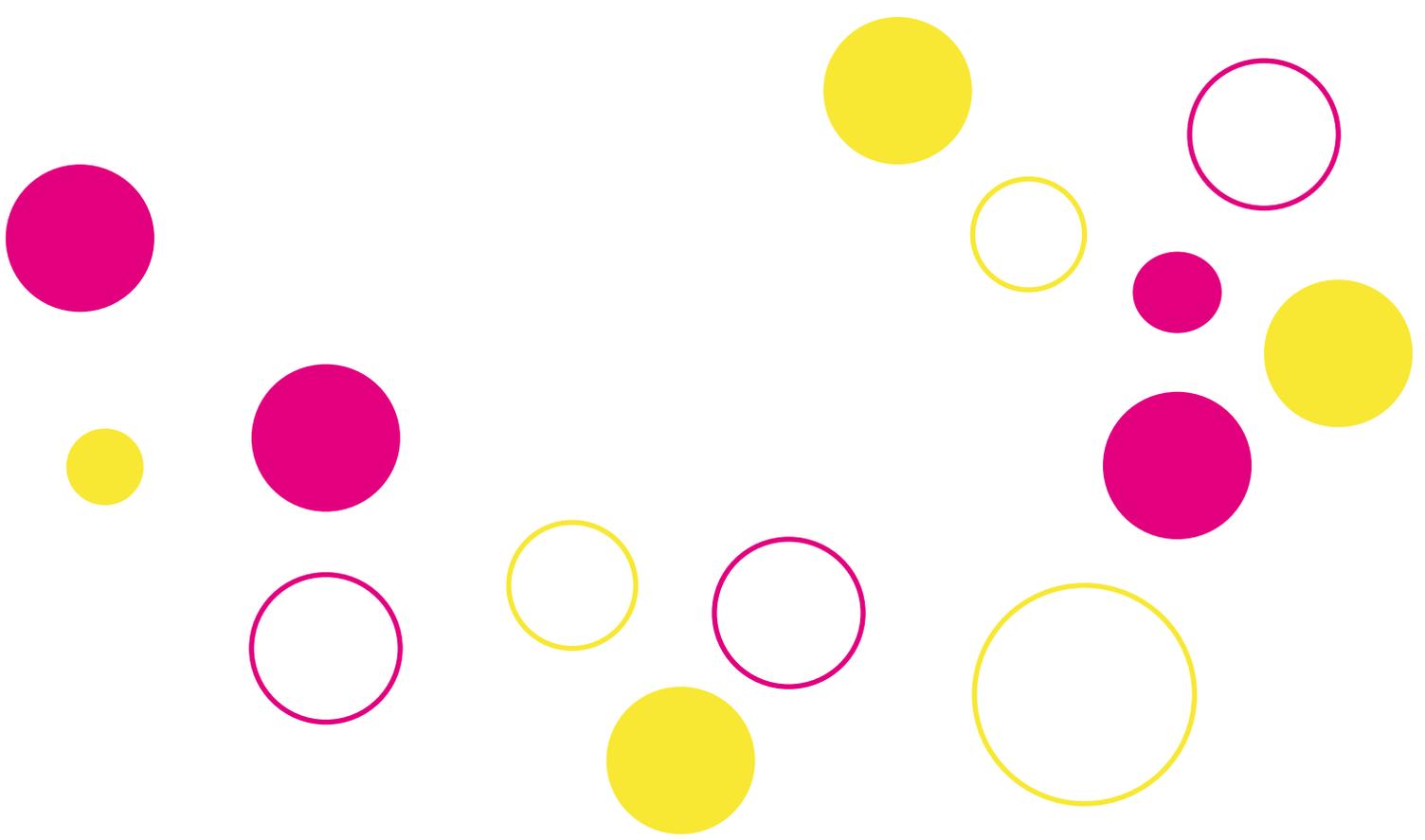


Donate

Donating? why? unfortunately it is becoming more and more common for protesters even if they did nothing wrong to be arrested. if you are arrested organisations are available to help cover bail costs but they need donations to stay alive.

Organisations all over the world are set up to help support people impacted by domestic abuse, gender related violence in black communities they also produce and distribute educational materials. This is all done as they believe it's right but it does cost money.





How can you help BLM?

- A Riot outside police stations, they deserve to burn for what they
- B Protest peacefully and Educate yourself and spread knowledge.
- C Use #blacklivesmatter to post a black square on social media.

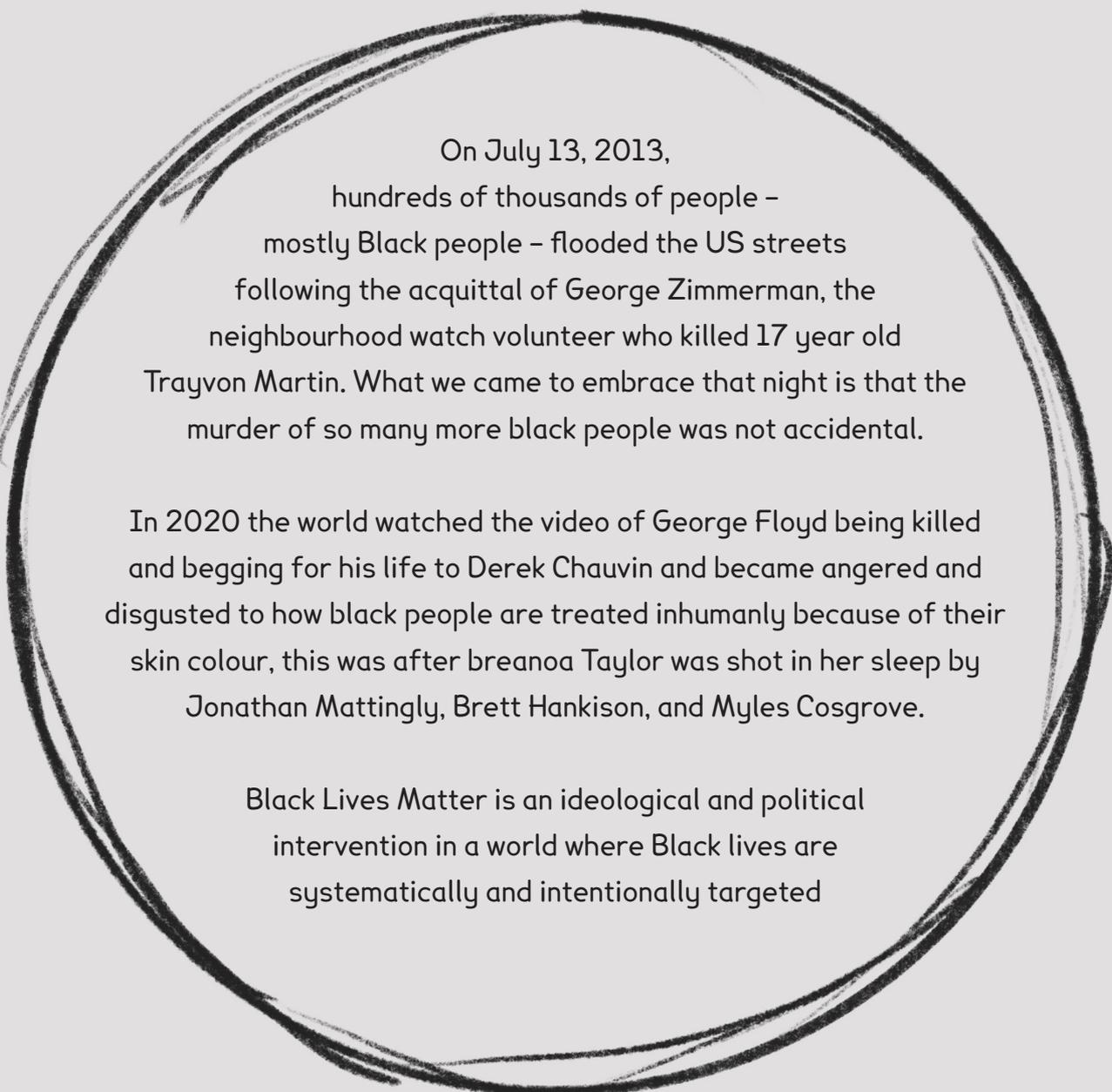
Why should you donate?

- A Someones got to pay to clean the streets after riots.
- B Help cover costs of safety equipment needed to protest
- C Supper organisations that help black communities.

Question?

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- C Sediantis arumquae etur arum etur, net quasper sperum il





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