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**#TheWorldIsWatching Contacts 660+ Local Elected Officials Across US**

*Organization Supporting Black Lives Matter Makes Waves*

**US:** #TheWorldIsWatching has finished contacting over 660 local elected officials in 37 cities across the United States to express solidarity with Black Lives Matter and demand concrete policy changes to end police brutality and systemic racism.

- The outreach team has individually emailed almost every mayor, police chief, and city councilmember of New York City, Los Angeles, Chicago, Houston, Phoenix, Philadelphia, San Antonio, San Diego, Dallas, San Jose, Austin, Jacksonville, Miami Gardens, Columbus, Indianapolis, Seattle, El Paso, Washington DC, Boston, Nashville, Detroit, Oklahoma City, Portland, Las Vegas, Memphis, Jackson, Birmingham, Baltimore, New Orleans, Flint, Montgomery, Savannah, Forth Worth, and Minneapolis.
- Each elected official was sent a copy of the organization's International Declaration, which endorses policy solutions proposed by Campaign Zero and has been endorsed by several international organizations and a change.org petition with 2,800+ signatures.
- In messages to officials, #TheWorldIsWatching officially endorses demilitarizing police, independently investigating and prosecuting police violence, community representation, body cameras and the right to film the police, fair union contracts, and ending broken windows policing, among other policy solutions. It also calls for immediately banning tear gas, limiting detainment measures to be mindful of COVID-19 transmission, and protecting free speech and the right to assembly.

#TheWorldIsWatching is planning to contact the governor, attorney general, and multiple legislators of all 50 states next.

**About:** [#TheWorldIsWatching](https://www.theworldiswatching.org) is a global coalition of policy professionals and grassroots activists aiming to mobilize the international community behind Black Lives Matter.

**Links:**

International Declaration – <https://tinyurl.com/worldsaysBLM>

Campaign Zero – <https://www.joincampaignzero.org/#vision>

Petition – <https://tinyurl.com/worldwatchingNOW>

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