



The South Orange/Maplewood **Community Coalition *on Race***

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Coalition on Race Responds to Changes in School District Administrators

The Board of Trustees of the Community Coalition on Race seeks racial equity, integration, and excellence in education for all students in our schools. While the pace of change has been frustratingly slow, we have seen some progress. Yet, candidly, there are too many students of color who are not well served in SOMA, who still experience segregated classrooms and who still suffer from racial stereotyping that precludes academic advancements that should be available to every student. [Continue here...](#)

Save the Date! Our Annual Dinner fundraiser is October 13th!

Save the date for this year's annual dinner, Celebrating Integration: Local Businesses Are Community Champions, honoring Yanick Ranieri of Papillon 25 and Julie Pauly of The Able Baker, Saturday, October 13th, 7 pm, at The Woodland!



This is an evening of food, fun, dancing, auction and, best of all, an evening to acknowledge our honorees for their commitment to intentional integration and true inclusion. It's a fun night and a great way to mingle with friends and neighbors who support the cause of integration in our community!

How can you support the Coalition's work? The dinner is our biggest fundraising event of the year! Please consider being a table host, becoming a sponsor, and/or placing an ad or message in the journal. [Get all the details by clicking here.](#) or call our office at 973-761-6116.

Neighborhood Summit Gathers Organizers from across SOMA

Residents gathered to learn about neighborhood associations, ways to connect with neighbors, and issues facing neighborhoods like development, community policing, traffic safety, and more. [Read here](#) to find out how to get connected to a neighborhood group...



Calling All Realtors: Coffee & Conversation

The Residential and Schools Committees have planned an informative session for realtors only that will address community demographics and upcoming changes in our schools. As you meet with potential home buyers and potential renters, we want you to have this important, up-to-date information. For more details and to RSVP, please **call our office 973-761-6116**



SOMa Residents: Apply Today for Our Home Maintenance Loan Program

Summer is the season for home repairs! For residents who can't afford much-needed exterior work on their homes, the Community Coalition on Race is pleased to share that the Home Maintenance Loan Program is available and open for applicants. [Get the details here...](#)



Volunteer with Us!

Work with a diverse group of your neighbors, be active in community life, and use your talents in support of racial integration. There is a variety of volunteer opportunities- from single projects to committees that meet throughout the year to move the mission forward. [Click here for more information.](#)



Other Upcoming Events

Coalition's SOMa Integrated Playgroup

Sat., September 29, 10 am - noon

Ages 6 months thru 5 yrs.
Le Parc Place, Maplewood

Coffee House Discussions

Held quarterly, the next discussion will be held AT the end of September 2018. The focus this time will be on the SOMA Latinx community. Check our website and Facebook page for details later this month.

Forum on Equity in Education

Equity & Integration in Education Forum with Assemblywoman Mila Jasey and nationally-recognized expert in civil rights Professor Elise Boddie coming up this fall--check our website and Facebook page for details later this month.

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