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WOMEN'S MARCH CHICAGO'S STATEMENT DENOUNCING ANTI-SEMITISM

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March 19, 2018 - Official Statement of Women's March Chicago:

In response to Minister Farrakhan's recent statement, WMC would like to issue our own: No universe exists in which it is acceptable to support anti-Semitic statements. Women's March Chicago condemns bigotry in all its forms. We reject Minister Louis Farrakhan's anti-Semitic and anti-LGBTQ views. Our work is to fight against social and racial injustice everywhere, no matter its source.

About Women's March Chicago

WMC is an organization advocating for women's rights, promoting intersectional feminism, and challenging the political system regarding issues affecting women. WMC brings together women and allies in support of reproductive justice, LGBTQ+ rights, immigrant rights, affordable childcare, racial justice, access for persons with disabilities, environmental protection, voting rights, and active citizenship, and other critical issues.

WMC's purpose is to lead and participate in local and national actions, build coalitions to further more effective advocacy, and to create educational and civic engagement opportunities that will lead to the advancement of civil rights and social change in Chicago and beyond.

About the Organizers

The original group of Chicago organizers met online in mid-November, 2016, coming together in an entirely grassroots effort to speak out against the 2016 presidential campaign cycle's negative rhetoric and actions through a march. The 2017 Women's March on Chicago (WMC) honored but was not, and is still not directly affiliated with the Women's March on Washington, DC or Women's March, Inc.

Women's March Chicago continues today as a grassroots effort entirely led by individuals from the greater Chicago area. The mission of WMC is guided by Chicago marchers and activists and informed by the broader women's movement. Women's March Chicago NFP*, a 501c4 entity, is currently led by board members and an executive director who work together to forward the mission. The leadership team works in collaboration with an ever expanding group of WMC organizing partners, and with volunteers. WMC volunteers are critical to our work, as well, and grassroots energy is behind all of our programming. Read more, including a list of the current board, [here](#).

*Note: Women's March Chicago NFP, formed in November 2017, has an incorporated name of We March On Chicago NFP and is currently doing business as (d/b/a) Women's March Chicago.

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