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Issue Paper

In the world we are living in today, there are many types of racism a minority have experience systemic racism is one. Systemic racism includes the complex array of anti-Black practices, the unjustly gained political-economic power of whites, the continuing economic and other resource inequalities along racial line and the white racist ideologies and attitudes created to maintain and rationalize white privilege power.

For hundreds of years, African Americans were slaves to the white man. For many decades many believed that there was one race that was superior in world, which was the white race, and because of that, it was inevitable that racism would seep into all the corporation, laws, and systems. With racism continuously growing in our world we as the minorities are forced to stand and fight for equal rights and equal opportunities that is present in our society.

The term “ more money more power” plays a major role in the racisms`. It is proven that majority of politician or people who participate in politics are wealthy and are making over 150,000 dollars a year. According to Christopher Ingreen an author from the Washington Post, he states, “compare the Americans in the lowest income group, the wealthy are three time more to talk about politics, four times more likely to attend politics, and six times more likely to donate to political campaigns”. Knowing that majority in wealthy communities are white, it is more likely for whites to rule or control the government with their policy. We all know that the more money one have, the more they are allowed to say in politics.

Law enforcers such as police officer often practice racism towards minorities almost everyday because they feel that they have a sense of power. There are some policies that are given to the public for their protection but instead; they are being used towards minorities. One of the programs that were established was “Stop- and Frisk”. The “Stop-and- Frisk’ program is a practice of the New York City Police Department in which police officers would stop and question a pedestrian, then frisk them for weapons and other contrabands. This program was meant to help protect the public, however many minorities were being racially profiled. According the “*The* *New York City Police Department’s Stop And Frisk Practices*” Black comprise 25.6% of the city’s population, yet 50.6 of all persons “stopped” during these periods were black. Many law enforcers abuse their source of power; they feel as if they can racially profile any person.

There are many people in this world that feels exploited to the racism that is going all around the world, one of the ways minorities are being exploited is through gentrification. According to the PBS website, Gentrification is a general term for the arrival of wealthier people in an existing urban district, a related increase in rent and property value, and change in district character culture. People ignore the fact that gentrification has a very clear racial component. It is known that, higher income white household replace lower income minorities. This affects the black communities because they are being forced and pushed out of their location due to the increase of rent. In Park Slope, which is located in Brooklyn, there has been an increase of white families moving into the neighborhood. In the 1970’s, Brownstone were owned black families and the neighborhood was divided equally amongst white, black, and Hispanic children, now the worth of Brownstone homes have increased and approximately 52% of the students in the schools are white.

Being a black student, we are not entitled to receive the best education unless we were born in a white demographic community or our parents are wealthy. According to *thesocietypages.org,* school funding is linked, in part, to the taxes that are collected in the neighborhood for each school. So for instance, schools that are placed in white rich areas, populated by rich white kids, would have more funds to spend on their kids opposed to school that are placed in poor communities. The system give privileges to young people who win the birth lottery and are born in wealthier families, but is benefits whites and some Asian, that has higher income and wealth than minorities. This explains a lot how on America views education for the black community, racism is everywhere and we cannot ignore the fact that it has affected our education and way of learns life.

For anyone to think outside the box on how we as Americans can end racism would be almost extremely impossible. Racism has been embedded in United States system from the beginning of time, one of the solutions I propose to end racism is to burn this world and start all over, but we must be realistic. We must educate the world towards racism and elaborate that it is bold and alive, and with ignorance it will continue to grow. During the era of the stock market crash, everyone understood that they were on the same level as one another. The color of ones skin didn't matter, because at that time were going the same problem, which was, being broke. I propose that people must find a common ground with one another and elaborate the problems they are having with one another and why it’s occurring. Also another solution that I feel may have a great impact on racism would be place African American classes in the educational system, so children may understand the gravity of racism and they can be educated. Instead of growing up with an ignorant mindset that white people will always be more superior then black people.

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