

## **SECIA Statement of Response to the Killing of Amir Locke**

### **March 1st, 2022**

On Wednesday, February 2nd, Amir Locke, 22 years old, was fatally shot by the Minneapolis Police Department (MPD) during a no-knock warrant search which Amir Locke's name was not included on. SECIA mourns the death of Amir Locke and stands in solidarity with his family calling for justice, accountability and transparency on this investigation. As we, board and staff, stated in our [SECIA Statement in Response to the Killing of George Floyd](#) last June and [SECIA Statement of Response to the Killing of Daunte Wright and the Chauvin Murder Trial on April](#), this death marks yet another in the horrific history of police brutality toward Black folks, indigenous people, and other people of color in our country. We are committed to standing in solidarity and in support of the community, and everyone impacted by this new and continuing trauma.

SECIA condemns these acts of violence and calls for accountability for the officers involved. As a neighborhood association, we urge everyone to unite toward eliminating systemic police brutality and healing our communities. We must all stand up for one another's rights to justice. With this mission in mind, we seek your help to work towards creating alternative resources for community safety. [Join us](#) in working to develop a holistic approach to community safety and equitable engagement with the [Como Cares Team](#), [Reimagining SECIA](#), and our evolving [draft racial equity framework](#) and [resolution](#). Additionally, here is a list of numbers and resources to contact to advocate for policies that promote community safety.

#### **Resource to learn more information and mutual aid links:**

- Twin Cities Mutual Aid Map: <https://twin-cities-mutual-aid.org/>
- <https://www.wsj.com/articles/amir-locke-shooting-what-to-know-about-the-fatal-no-knock-shooting-in-minneapolis-11644364515>

#### **Call this number to advocate for Justice for Amir Locke:**

- Attorney General Keith Ellison
  - [attorney.general@ag.state.mn.us](mailto:attorney.general@ag.state.mn.us)
  - 651-296-3353

#### **For alternatives to calling 911:**

- Mental health resources:
  - For crises, call [COPE 612-596-1223](tel:612-596-1223)
  - Cultural wellness directory: <https://www.culturalwellnessdirectory.com/>
  - [Minnesota Department of Health Mental Health Resources](#)
  - [Hennepin County mental health and substance use services](#)
  - Additional resources from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA):
    - [Coping with grief](#), a resource for survivors of community violence, including understanding grief in adults and children.
    - Tips for Survivors of a Disaster or Other Traumatic Events: [Coping with Retraumatization](#)
    - [SAMHSA training and educational resources](#) for response and recovery after disasters and traumatic events.
- Resource needs: call [United Way 211](tel:214-761-4773)

### Resources for Protest safety:

- <https://acrossfrontlines.org/protestsafety>
- <https://ssd.eff.org/en/module/attending-protest>
- <https://www.aclu.org/know-your-rights/protesters-rights/>

### Instagram accounts to get up to date information:

#### Activists/organizers

- IG @mnteenaactivists
- IG @38thandchicagogs
- IG @mn\_action\_squirrel
- IG @moveforjusticenews
- IG @mnurising
- IG @tristamariemcg
- IG @documentingmn

#### News sources

- [See all City of Minneapolis news and updates.](#)
- Spanish: [Apoyo y Seguridad durante el Juicio](#)
- Somali: [Amaanka iyo Taageerada Dhageysiga Maxkamadda](#)
- Hmong: [Xov Xwm thiab Kev Nyab Xeeb Txog Rooj Plaub](#)
- Oromo: [Deggersa Qorannoo Yakkaa fi kan Nageenyaa](#)
- IG @theneighborhoodreporter
- IG @unicorn.riot (also on youtube)
- IG @benjovland
- IG @bygeorgiafort
- IG @patiencezalanga
- IG @tcencampmentresponder