

Public Forum “UNPACKING FERGUSON”

**Racism, Police Violence,
Civic Representation,
Poverty, Pipeline to Prison
& Privilege**

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Massive Protests followed the police shooting of unarmed black teenager Michael Brown in Ferguson, Missouri in August. Using what happened in Ferguson as a lens, we’ll view the interconnected social justice issues that have bearing, including racism, police violence, lack of civic representation by racial/ethnic groups, poverty, the “pipeline to prison” that black male youth face, and the subtle and blatant operation of “privilege” in our American society.

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