

BLM Launch

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Americans may not hear as much about Black Lives Matter as they did in the fateful year of 2020, but rest assured, it is deeply affecting key aspects of American life today. The divisive Critical Race Theory conflicts flaring cross-country are a legacy of BLM; so is the crime wave that blights American cities, as are the race-conscious policies that Joe Biden is signing into law.

Not bad for Marxist organizations that set out explicitly to dismantle the foundations of American society. As I explain in my book, [BLM: The Making of a New Marxist Revolution](#), published yesterday Alicia Garza, one of its main BLM founders, made her goals clear in Maine in 2019 [when she told](#) a group of eager New England leftists,

“We’re talking about changing how we’ve organized this country, so that we actually can achieve the justice that we are fighting for. I believe we all have work to do to keep dismantling the organizing principle of this society, which creates inequities for everyone, even white people.”

Ripping out the foundations of American society is exactly what those indoctrinating schoolchildren and putting American workers through re-education sessions at their workplace desire.

School teachers now proudly and openly [explain on social media](#) that they bring CRT to the classroom to “challenge a broken system.” Meanwhile, beleaguered employees are [having to resort to lawsuits](#) to stop their companies from trying to re-educate them through CRT.

America proudly—and rightly—proclaims itself the Land of the Free. How did we get here? BLM brought us here.

[CRT is the belief](#) that America is systemically racist and oppressive, and has been so since its founding, and that all racial disparities are the result of this. The only way to solve these problems is through re-educating Americans into these beliefs and through category-based redistribution, which will require discriminating legally against whites and men.

Not for nothing is President Biden now signing into law [bills that openly and explicitly discriminate](#) against whites, the first time America has actively sought to deny one race or sex equal protection under the law since Jim Crow.

CRT's founders [are Marxists](#) like Garza, who also like her ["question](#) the very foundations of the liberal order, including equality theory."

CRT first emerged in law schools in the 1970s and 1980s, and it became dominant in the field of civil rights. It started to make [some headway](#) in k-12 classrooms in the 2010s, but it was slow to impact public policy.

That is, until 2020 happened. BLM's use of the video of George Floyd's May 25 death to create the impression that those nine minutes defined America's systemic racism precipitated months of protests and hundreds of costly riots that stunned the country.

At the center of the mayhem sat BLM Global Network Foundation, the flagship organization. Traffic to the BLM GNF's website surged massively as the protests got underway, spiking just seven days after Floyd's death, when 1.9 million people flooded to the website, according to its 2020 Impact Report.

Not three days later, the CRT trainer Robin DiAngelo was rushed into a conference call with no fewer than 184 Members of Congress, all from the Democratic caucus. "For all the white people listening right now, thinking I am not talking to you, I am looking directly in your eyes and saying, 'It is you'," intoned with a high sense of drama the high priestess of CRT trainings.

BLM GNF boasted in its 2020 Impact Report, which I quote in my book, that in the second half of 2020 its website was visited by over 24 million people. "Over

the course of 2020, we sent 127,042,508 emails. From these emails, 1,213,992 actions were taken,” reads the report. The open rate of these astonishing 127 million emails was an unheard-of 63 percent (25 percent is the average for nonprofits).

Unsurprisingly, BLM activists were involved in 95 percent of the some 633 incidents that Princeton’s Crisis Monitor identified as riots for which we know the identity of the participants, as I cite in my book. It was “the costliest civil disorder in U.S. history,” according to the Insurance Information Institute, also quoted in my book.

Since then, as police have pulled back and rogue prosecutors refuse to put in prison criminals that are arrested, we have seen a [shocking 35 percent spike](#) in the murder record in the 70 cities where one fifth of Americans live.

So BLM at least has a good start on accomplishing Garza’s goal of “dismantling the organizing principle of society.” But what does BLM seek to put in its place?

Garza, Patrisse Cullors and Opal Tometi, BLM’s three main founders, have always been candid about their Marxism, which is a synonym for communism.

In 2015, Garza [told SFWeekly](#) that “social movements all over the world have used Marx and Lenin as a foundation to interrupt these systems that are really negatively impacting the majority of people.” Also that year, she [told a gathering](#) of world communists, Left Forum, that “It’s not possible for a world to emerge where black lives matter if it’s under capitalism, and it’s not possible to abolish capitalism without a struggle against national oppression.”

As for Cullors, she has affirmed on the record several times that she is a Marxist. In fact, with so many journalists denying that she is a communist, Cullors herself [released a video](#) on December 14, 2020, saying clearly:

“I need to set the record straight. Am I a Marxist? I do believe in Marxism. It’s a philosophy that I learned really early on because the U.S. is so good at

propaganda and being like - it has still the idea of the American dream and that's tied into capitalism and well. It's much harder to sell communism.”

All of this is a matter of public record, easily available to all. Yet, journalists became invested in the social justice narrative of 2020, calling the year “the year of racial reckoning” instead of reporting any of this. They simply ignored the possibility that a group of self-avowed Marxists, who openly seek to overturn society, made use of a man’s tragedy to lead disturbances, and boasted of it, and have so far largely succeeded in their goal.

The revolt from average Americans I see in city after city as I criss-cross the country tells me this is not over yet. That’s the reason I wrote my book.