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1 00:00:00.730 --> 00:00:05.490 <v 0>I would like to introduce our amazing group facilitators and fellow</v> 2 00:00:05.880 --> 00:00:09.770 activists, fellow, uh, healing practitioners, 3 00:00:10.030 --> 00:00:13.970 and people who center the importance of humanity in this work. 4 00:00:14.890 --> 00:00:16.930 I would like to introduce Martha. 5 00:00:19.300 --> 00:00:20.133 <v 1>Hi everyone.</v> 6 00:00:21.360 --> 00:00:22.193 <v 0>And Diane.</v> 7 00:00:24.870 --> 00:00:25.970 <v 2>Hi, happy to be here.</v> 8 00:00:27.410 --> 00:00:31.410 <v 0>Uh, thank you both for joining us. I'll provide some more context for today.</v> g 00:00:31.880 --> 00:00:36.170 What we will be doing is a workshop and this workshop will allow us to dive 10 00:00:36.230 --> 00:00:40.090 deeper into the characteristics of white supremacy culture. 11 00:00:40.750 --> 00:00:44.160You've heard us talk about it all day for those been with us all day. 12 00:00:44.420 --> 00:00:48.800 But what we want to do is provide everybody with tools and practical experience

13 00:00:49.140 --> 00:00:53.040 of looking through these characteristics that we are all taught. 14 00:00:53.500 --> 00:00:57.280 All of us are taught that this is what is supposed to happen no matter who we 15 00:00:57.300 --> 00:01:01.680 are, everybody in this nation, uh, the United States is taught this. Uh, 16 00:01:01.700 --> 00:01:06.390 and then the ways that we can start to apply some of the ways to 17 00:01:06.490 --> 00:01:09.510 remedy these characteristics in our organizations. 18 00:01:10.290 --> 00:01:14.430 So you will have three groups from which you can choose. Uh, 19 00:01:14.431 --> 00:01:19.310 each of those groups will have a challenge that we are wanting to work through 20 00:01:19.690 --> 00:01:22.270 as a group, right? You'll be joined by others in breakout rooms. 21 00:01:22.820 --> 00:01:27.500 Each group will have a challenge and we'll walk through the, uh, 22 $00:01:27.740 \longrightarrow 00:01:32.540$ supremacy culture characteristics in order to find ways to create a collective 23 00:01:32.740 --> 00:01:33.780 solution for this challenge. 24 00:01:35.180 --> 00:01:39.100 I encourage everybody to be okay with being wrong. 25 00:01:39.400 --> 00:01:44.340 It is completely okay in this space to fail almost scary to

26 00:01:44.341 --> 00:01:45.730 be like, woo a, got that wrong. 27 00:01:47.850 --> 00:01:52.730 Because what it does is it allows us to find another path and it allows us 28 00:01:52.750 --> 00:01:55.250 to strengthen the direction in which we want to go. 29 00:01:55.830 --> 00:02:00.650 It also allows us to be human beings because we are naturally going to get 30 00:02:00.651 --> 00:02:01.480 things incorrect. 31 00:02:01.480 --> 00:02:06.280 That is why we are so inquisitive because we get to ask again and find 32 00:02:06.281 --> 00:02:09.680 another way or another, uh, response. Another path. 33 00:02:11.200 --> 00:02:15.440 I will start by saying that white supremacy culture, 34 00:02:16.720 --> 00:02:19.520 um, in this particular space, again, 35 00:02:19.580 --> 00:02:22.400 we are looking at the culture of white supremacy. 36 00:02:22.710 --> 00:02:26.950 This is not to attack any person who identify as white. 37 00:02:27.300 --> 00:02:31.990 This is not to attack any culture that has been identified as white 38 00:02:32.250 --> 00:02:37.070 in the construct of race. Race has created, uh,

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00:02:37.090 --> 00:02:42.070 in order for Western Europeans to feel superior 40 00:02:42.130 --> 00:02:45.510 to others, literally, but in doing so, again, 41 00:02:45.770 --> 00:02:49.260 it created dehumanizing effect on everyone, 42 00:02:49.261 --> 00:02:51.180 including those leaders themselves. 43 00:02:51.640 --> 00:02:55.100 So what we are here to do is to disrupt that dehumanization. 44 00:02:55.840 --> 00:02:57.180 We are here to support people. 45 00:02:57.280 --> 00:03:02.280 We are here to disrupt the system that says that one group is superior or 46 00:03:02.281 --> 00:03:06.360 better or normal, or the default compared to others. 47 00:03:07.940 --> 00:03:10.800 As we look at this work together, uh, 48 00:03:10.930 --> 00:03:13.000 often there are different responses of guilt. 49 00:03:13.090 --> 00:03:15.560 There are different responses of frustration. 50 00:03:16.010 --> 00:03:20.830 There are different responses of, of anger, of rage, of sadness, 51 00:03:21.530 --> 00:03:23.070 all of these things in this space. 52 00:03:23.670 --> 00:03:27.910

I want you to know it is okay to feel those things like James said earlier, 53 00:03:28.050 --> 00:03:30.830 if you're feeling those things and that is because you're having response. 54 00:03:31.670 --> 00:03:35.910 I also want you to know that it is okay to feel those things and then to move 55 00:03:35.911 --> 00:03:40.140 through them to a space of connection so that we can create the answers, 56 00:03:41.340 --> 00:03:43.500 uh, that we need as a field. 57 00:03:43.780 --> 00:03:47.020 But the answers that we also need individually and on an organizational level. 58 00:03:47.920 --> 00:03:51.140 So as we look at white supremacy, culture, characteristics, 59 00:03:51.141 --> 00:03:52.540 for those who are not familiar with them, 60 00:03:53.100 --> 00:03:57.940 this is a set of characteristics or ideologies or expectations that when 61 00:03:58.100 --> 00:04:01.850 combined create eight and support white supremacy culture, 62 00:04:02.300 --> 00:04:06.490 these characteristics can be present in other cultures, right? 63 00:04:06.590 --> 00:04:10.970 So don't think, oh, but we do this too. So this isn't real, or we do this too. 64 00:04:10.990 --> 00:04:13.210 So we're bad quotation marks.

65 00:04:13.870 --> 00:04:17.850 It is the combination of these unique or the unique combination of these 66 00:04:17.851 --> 00:04:21.360 characteristics that creates white supremacy culture, 67 00:04:21.800 --> 00:04:26.040 a culture that dehumanizes everyone. Once you dive deep into it, 68 00:04:26.041 --> 00:04:29.280 you'll be able to see why for those who are coming to this for the first time, 69 00:04:30.080 --> 00:04:33.400 uh, for those who know about them, it's a good reminder, cuz again, 70 00:04:33.450 --> 00:04:35.720 we're constantly receiving messages that says, 71 00:04:35.721 --> 00:04:37.160 this is how things are supposed to go. 72 00:04:37.900 --> 00:04:42.630 We were taught in many spaces that this how things are supposed to go and you do 73 00:04:42.631 --> 00:04:47.550 not simply just redirect or create new muscle memory without actively trying to 74 00:04:47.551 --> 00:04:49.430 create new muscle memory.