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## PUBLIC HEARING

to discuss  
Racial Inequality Affecting Women and  
Families of Color in the MetroWest

**February 2, 2021**  
**7:00 PM to 8:30 PM**  
**Agenda**

- 7:00-7:05 PM: Welcome and Acknowledgement of Special Guests, Legislators, Aides, Community Leaders, etc. (Heather Panahi, Chair of MWCSW)
- 7:05-7:20 PM: Opening Remarks—The Origin and Reasons for this Hearing, Personal Remarks/Experiences and a Discussion of How the Event Will Be Organized (Rachel Niemiec, Commissioner for MWCSW)
- 7:20-8:00 PM: Attendees and Community Partners are Invited to Share Testimony Highlighting Examples/Consequences of Racial Prejudice and Systemic Oppression in the MetroWest Region and Beyond
- 8:05-8:25 PM: Community Partners and Legislators May Share What They are Currently Doing to Address These Issues
- 8:25-8:30 PM: Closing Remarks and Next Steps