

The Carlisle Truth & Reconciliation Commission (TRC) was established by Resolution 03-11-2021-01 enacted by the Borough Council on March 11, 2021 and became effective on May 25, 2021 at their first meeting.

The TRC was born out of a community town hall held on January 16, 2021 where statistical data was shared and over 100 individuals highlighted issues of racial inequity in the Borough.

The TRC consists of seven Commissioners, appointed by Council. They are tasked with examining and documenting policies, practices, and actions by the Borough and Borough Council that have contributed to racial inequity and systemic racism in the community.

The TRC approaches this work with two sub-groups, one focused on analytical research and one focused on community engagement.

The public is encouraged to attend TRC meetings held on the 2nd Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m. Check with the Borough Manager's office to confirm in the event of inclement weather or public health events.

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TRC VALUES

Racial justice
Equity
Transparency
Healing
Safety
Community
Solidarity
Authenticity
Grace
Apology
Ownership
Accountability
Humility
Empathy
Compassion
Risk-taking
Vulnerability

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Truth-telling and community healing...

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THE COMMISSIONERS

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OUR MISSION

To improve racial justice and racial equity by meeting our community where it is and engaging it in truth telling and reconciliation.

To examine existing policies as well as past and present practices and structures that contribute to systemic racism.

To develop guidance for Borough officials about next steps for making our community more just and equitable through accountability and transformative change.

HOW TO ENGAGE

Check out our monthly "Thinking About Race Thursdays" on the 2nd Thursday of each month, one hour prior to regularly scheduled Borough Council meetings.

Consider hosting a "Thinking About Race" event at your house of worship, school, business, or non-profit location.

Encourage community members to share their lived experiences with the Commission.
(Accommodations can be made to protect the identity of community members as needed).

Provide the Commission with recommendations that can point to policies or best practices that have been detrimental in Borough offices, departments, and/or adjacent organizations.