



### Your Spark

We've given you the tools this week to go out and bring the lessons you've learned from Be the Light - as well as your own desire for justice - into your communities. From your time in Buffalo learning about the variety of social justice issues to the reflections you did with other participants and leaders, there's clearly a lot of work to be done. And we hope you feel prepared to start doing it.

### We Can Help

Confronting injustice is a big challenge, especially when you leave the community formed this week. You might feel alone in your community, but remember that you're a leader. We wouldn't have accepted you if you weren't. Also, we can help to provide certain resources that may make it easier to bring your project to your community.

### Resources?

Yes! Here's a list of what we may be able to provide:

- **Financial support to local organizations:** In order for you to complete your project, does a local organization need a donation? Depending on the circumstances, this may be something we're able to help with.
- **Supplies:** We can purchase and ship specific supplies to you.
- **Advice:** Our leadership team - Steve, Darby, Dana, & Alie - and our student leaders are here to help! Are you not sure how to contact a local organization or person to bring your project to life? Do you want some help with how you organize an event or fundraiser? What are some ideas to help you educate people about an issue? Let us know! Remember that all of our emails are listed in your binder and don't hesitate to use them!
- **Connections:** Remember that one of your presentations talked about the Ignatian Family. Be the Light's Jesuit connection is invaluable, and we'd be happy to help you make connections if you think it's helpful. Also, check out the Ignatian Solidarity Network if you haven't already: <https://ignatiansolidarity.net/>

*These signs of hope...can be seen as growing evidence that the time is coming  
and is indeed here in which we could witness a new global birth of the  
Spirit of Peace.*

*-Fr. James Hug, S.J.*