

# Multiracial Oath of Social Responsibility

*I want to make a difference in this world. Therefore:*

**I strive to improve race relations.**

I know that race and ethnicity are not solely defined by one's genetic heritage;  
I refuse to confine my choices in love or loyalty to a single race;  
I make efforts to increase my knowledge of U.S. racial history;  
I know that race and ethnicity can be used as political, economic, and social tools of oppression.

**I recognize the people who have made it possible for me to affirm my multiracial identity.**

They are my relatives, friends, and mentors;  
They are people who have crossed color lines to fight discrimination;  
They are people who identified as multiracial before this choice was recognized;  
They are people who have exposed and explained the suppression of multiraciality.

**I must fight all forms of oppression as the oppression of one is the oppression of all.**

I recognize that oppression thrives on fear and ignorance;  
I seek to recognize my prejudices and change them;  
I know that it is neither helpful nor productive to argue over who is more oppressed;  
I recognize that my life interconnects with all other lives.

**I will make a difference!**

