

Committee Bio - Chris White

Chris White is a dedicated member of our MLK Day Committee and a devoted Milford local who has been actively involved for about 10 years. Chris's journey with the committee began when his son became a contest winner in middle school, serving as a catalyst for his engagement. Chris found the MLK Day Committee to be an essential avenue for contributing to social justice, given his experiences working with clients in challenging neighborhoods in Detroit.

One of Chris's most impactful experiences with the committee occurred during last year's Community Sharing Meal Assembly. Witnessing the outreach expand beyond the usual participants left a lasting impression, reinforcing his belief that the committee is gaining traction in the community. Chris contributes to the committee by providing general input, sourcing singers and flag carriers, collaborating with stores for food donations, and promoting events. His involvement reflects a commitment to breaking through apathy and indifference to create meaningful change.

For Chris, the committee is a vital local force in promoting equality, justice, and understanding. He emphasizes the importance of translating these values into action, making the March a focal point due to its high visibility. Chris recognizes the challenge of growth but sees it as an opportunity to address issues and nurture the increasing interest seen at events like the meal drive. He envisions a future where the committee grows even more, becoming a model for the community and hosting diverse events, lectures, films, and a week-long celebration.

Chris White draws inspiration from Dr. King's teachings, particularly focusing on building a more perfect society and leveling the playing field. His perspective on social justice and community engagement has evolved through the committee, emphasizing the importance of providing a safe space for progressive voices and actively fighting against injustice. Looking ahead, Chris envisions a day when the MLK Day Committee in Milford becomes a beacon of community engagement, with increased participation, diverse events, and a sustained impact throughout the year.