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Washington County Remembrance Memorial Marker: Practicing Anti-
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Project Press Release

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Washington County Community Remembrance Project

Press Release

The Washington County Community Remembrance Project (WCCRP), established in 2018, consists of a multiracial group of Washington County community citizens who work in partnership with the Equal Justice Initiative (EJI) in Montgomery, AL, to remember and memorialize victims of racial terror lynching. WCCRP will install a memorial marker in the historic Oaks cemetery to venerate the lives of three victims, Aaron, Anthony, and Randall, of racial terror lynching in Washington county in 1856.

The marker unveiling will be at Oaks Cemetery (located south of the National Cemetery) on Saturday, May 15th, at 10 am, followed by a Dedication and Awards Ceremony from 12:30 PM-4:00 PM at the Fayetteville Public Library. All members of the community are welcome to attend. To indicate your interest in attending, RSVP here:

<https://forms.gle/FJsRQ5o4CVgbKdDW9>.

The Dedication and Awards Ceremony will feature food from Secondhand Smoke, local art, music from the St. James Baptist church youth choir, and the announcement of the winners of EJI's [Racial Justice Essay Contest](#). Guest speakers include Mr. Tom Lackey, a long-time resident of the Fayetteville community, and Ms. Patricia Morency, a mental health clinician in Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) at the University of Arkansas. COVID precautions will be in place throughout the ceremonies.

If you are interested in more information, please email wccrproject@gmail.com.