

**Black History Month** is an annual celebration of achievements by Black/African-Americans and a time for recognizing their central role in U.S. history and culture. As our nation continues to grapple with the complexities of political polarization and increasing tensions involving race, over a dozen Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) were terrorized by bomb threats on the first day of this Black History Month. We recognize the harm caused by these acts not only impact the students, staff, and faculty who have chosen an HBCU as their educational and professional home, but also the families, friends, and communities connected to HBCUs and those who identify across the African and Black diaspora.

ASCA denounces these recent acts of racial violence and intimidation. We encourage you all to reflect deeply on what these acts represent within the racialized context of our nation. To members of the African and Black diaspora, we see you and support you.

As we do our part to support our students, colleagues, and friends impacted by these recent acts, we must also seek to disrupt every injustice faced by members of the African and Black diaspora. This requires us to critically examine every aspect of systemic anti-Black racism and seek changes to create sustainable equity and embody shared humanity across racial distinction.

To aid in this important work, we would like to share [BLM resources](#). This Google Drive was curated by several members external to ASCA and provides a wealth of resources to engage in activism and advocacy for racial justice. Finally, remember that self-care is important. Take advantage of the campus and community resources that are available to you. We can't properly care for others if we are not healthy and well ourselves.