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**Happy Halloween!** Wishing you so much joy and fun today. While we are in celebration mode, we also want to take a moment to share a couple of important reminders to our OAR community for those who will be dressing up in celebration or going out/taking children to trick-or-treat:

- Just like any other day, we want to be respectful of all cultures, ethnicities, races, and beliefs, and make sure that we are not making a “costume” out of anyone’s identity.
- If you are planning to go trick-or-treating or to any festivities - adults/guardians please join kids under age 12 for trick-or-treating. If kids are old enough to be out without supervision, tell them to stick to familiar areas that are well lit and trick-or-treat in groups.
- Make sure you carry glow sticks or flashlights to help them see and be seen by drivers.
- For drivers - slow down and be especially alert in residential neighborhoods. Children are excited and may move in unpredictable ways.
- Popular trick-or-treating hours are 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Be especially alert for kids during those hours.
- Be safe, have fun, look out for others, and have respect for all.***

We have some more treats to share with you below! Some exciting events coming up that OAR will be involved in such as the Arlington Turkey Trot 5K Fun Run/Walk, Giving Tuesday, and more opportunities for you to learn more about OAR's mission through our tours and chats.

As always, we are so glad to be on this journey together and for your continued support of OAR. We wish you a very Happy Halloween!

- OAR Collective

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## **Join OAR for the Arlington Turkey Trot 5K Fun Run/Walk**

OAR is one of the beneficiary organizations for the Arlington Turkey Trot 5K Fun Run/Walk, and we want you to join us! This is the 18th year of the Arlington Turkey Trot, on Thursday, November 23, 2023 at 8:00am (EST). When you register for the Arlington Turkey Trot, you are also supporting OAR's critical mission and participants and their families.

When you register, you can now register under team "OAR" to support, and we will see you there on the day of! Online registration closes Tuesday, November 21, at midnight. We can't wait to see you there for this wonderful event in the spirit of community and support of others.

[Click here to register for the Arlington Turkey Trot 5K Fun Run/Walk](#)

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## Leave OAR a Review on GreatNonprofits!



We would love for you to leave us a review on our GreatNonprofits page, the #1 source of nonprofit stories and feedback, on your journey with OAR! Stories about OAR and the magic of our mission from the community help us make an even bigger impact. If you have a quick moment and would like to share your experience with OAR, please leave us a review [here](#) or click the link below.

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## MORE UPCOMING EVENTS

### **Arlington Turkey Trot (Thursday, November 23, 2023)**

OAR is a beneficiary organization of the 18th Annual Arlington Turkey Trot 5K Fun Run/Walk! The event will be held at the Lyon Park course on Thursday, November 23, 2023 at 8:00am. By registering for the Arlington Turkey Trot, you are also supporting OAR's critical mission and participants and their families we are on the journey with. Make sure to register under team "OAR" to support and we will see you there! [Click here](#) to register for the Arlington Turkey Trot and for more information.

### **Project Winter Cheer (November-December 2023)**

OAR's Project Winter Cheer annual back-to-school children and families program supports children and families with a parent experiencing incarceration or has been recently released from incarceration for the upcoming 2023-2024 academic school year. [Click here](#) to support Project Winter Cheer and OAR's Children and Families programs.

### **GivingTuesday (Tuesday, November 28, 2023)**

OAR is participating in GivingTuesday this year! This global giving day is the Tuesday after Black Friday and Cyber Monday, dedicated to giving back to our community and your favorite nonprofits like OAR. This year our GivingTuesday goal is to raise \$6,000 for OAR's direct services programs where we are on the journey with individuals returning home from experiencing incarceration. Stay tuned for more communication from us about GivingTuesday. To make an early donation, visit our website [here](#).

### **OAR's 3-Month Racial Justice + Liberation Virtual Cohorts | 2024 Sessions**

Register today! We are now accepting applications for our upcoming 2024 sessions (**Feb-Apr 2024**). These virtual cohorts include a learning experience on racial justice and liberation for all. Cohorts are separated between BILAM (Black, Indigenous, Latine/x/o/a, Asian, and Multicultural) and WP (White People). For more information on the cohorts, to apply, or sponsor a participant, [click here](#) or email [racialjustice@oaronline.org](mailto:racialjustice@oaronline.org).

### **Virtual Tour of OAR's Mission**

Want to learn more about us or volunteer for OAR? The first step is to join us for a free one-hour virtual tour of our mission via Zoom! Guests will hear about OAR's programs and services. To register for one of the tour dates below or to check out additional dates, [click here](#) or contact Stephannie Ku at [sku@oaronline.org](mailto:sku@oaronline.org).

- Wednesday, November 8, 2023, 4:00PM (EST)

### **Monthly Virtual Chats with Elizabeth Jones Valderrama**

Join OAR for a 30-minute chat with Elizabeth Jones Valderrama who has been with the OAR Collective for over 17 years. Learn more about our organization and chat with us about what is going on in your life! To register for one of the upcoming virtual chats below, [click here](#) or contact Stephannie Ku at [sku@oaronline.org](mailto:sku@oaronline.org).

- Wednesday, November 1, 2023, 3:00-3:30pm (EST)
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## SUPPORT OAR

1. Make a monetary donation to OAR by clicking [here](#)
2. Donate [Target](#) and/or [Amazon](#) gift cards in increments of \$10 each for OAR participants
3. Shop on our Amazon Wish List: [OAR's Amazon Wish List](#)
4. Donate through United Way designation #8078 (additional fees by UW are applied and come out of your donation)
5. Donate through CFC designation #26226 (additional fees by CFC are applied)
6. Give from your retirement accounts. Please use our legal name and EIN ID #54-1024562.
7. Add OAR to your will to have your legacy and love for OAR continue.
8. Host a fundraiser: On Facebook, for a special occasion. Reach out and we will walk you through it.
9. Follow us @OARJustice on our social media channels
10. Attend a free 1-hour virtual OAR Tour or an OAR Event and bring your friends: <http://oaronline.org/oar-tours-upcoming-events/>

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## MORE ABOUT OAR

*OAR is a community-based nonprofit organization that envisions a safe & thriving community where those impacted by the legal system enjoy equal civil & human rights. Through our Upstream work, we are confronting & dismantling individual racism & racism in the legal system & across all systems. Our Downstream work allows us to be on the journey with individuals returning from incarceration & their families. We also offer alternative sentencing options (including community service) and diversion programs so people can avoid the trauma of incarceration & instead help the community thrive.*

*OAR is a collective, non-dominant, decolonizing, pro-Black, racially just, radically joyful, deeply loving, come as you are, liberated organization that puts participants first. We center authentic and fully engaged relationships with all members of the OAR community.*

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### Our Contact Information


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[OAR Walk-In Hours](#)



Monday – Friday | 10:30am-12:00pm, 1:00pm-  
3:00pm

