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"For, after all, Social Justice, the desired goal, is not to be reached through any panacea by mass production. . . . As I see it then, the patient persistence of the individual, working as Browning has it, "mouth wise and pen-wise" in whatever station and with whatever talent God has given, in truth and loyalty to serve the whole, will come as near as any other to proving worthwhile."

~Anna Julia Cooper, 1930

Description

Social justice education (SJE) is a critical pedagogy where intersectionality and human rights converge. This collection explores Black women's experiences and expertise in teaching and learning about justice in a range of formal and informal educational settings. *Black Women and Social Justice Education: Legacies and Lessons* bridges historical legacies with contributions of groundbreaking leaders in the field.

In twenty chapters, this volume examines, evaluates, posits, and reinforces Black women's values of social justice in education at all levels. Grounded in Black feminist and womanist texts, this work advances educational philosophy by engaging foundational Black women's studies theorists. Authors offer resource guides, bibliographic citations, praxis, reflections, and best practices for broad use and reference in communities, schools, universities, agencies, and organizations.

Over two dozen authors write to expand conversation about community engagement, student affairs, and academic affairs. This collection simultaneously enriches existing SJE scholarship and also expands the impact of SJE innovations on humanities, social sciences, higher education, school development, counseling, and professions such as social work, policy, law, business, and non-profit work.

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