## PRACTICE AUTHENTIC ALLYSHIP

To be an ally to marginalized people requires engagement and continued practice. If you would like to enhance and deepen your allyship work, refrain from some of the performative actions outlined below and commit to the authentic actions.

## **AUTHENTIC ALLYSHIP**

Empathy, grief and/or outrage

Acknowledging and exploring discomfort

The focus is on others

**Educating yourself** 

Examining your own privilege(s) and using it to educate, dismantle or elicit change

Taking risks and holding yourself accountable

Allyship is central to the mission of the organization

## **PERFORMATIVE ALLYSHIP**

Actions taken or words spoken to improve your image

Avoiding issues and topics that result in your discomfort

The focus is on self

Asking others to educate you

Allowing marginalized people to educate, dismantle or elicit change alone

Remaining in your zone of comfort and not advocating when you are able

Allyship is performed to enhance the appearance of the organization

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