The catalyst for change starts with each of us

T's list of 10 ways to Be the Change

Know the only one

else's shoes to gain insight.

• Practice empathy—seek

to understand, not judge

Walk a mile in someone

• Read The Power of

Onlyness by Nilofer

Challenge my own perspective

I grow every time I get REAL—respectfully engage, listen and learn.

- Join a book club with authors who don't look like you
- Take inventory of the media you consume

Challenge the wealth gap

Be intentional about increasing access to financial services for underserved communities. It's all about <u>financial inclusion</u> we have to help people get their shot at jobs as well as the evolving skills needed for both and tomorrow's jobs.

- Promote financial education early and often with young people
- Foster a longterm perspective on financial wellness

Lean into inclusion through equity

It's about understanding different people require different things to thrive.

- Speak up for removing barriers to equity
- Establish both subjective and objective measures of equity

Go for big, bold community impact

Change the world one act of service at a time.

- Protect your planet Take small steps for us, and future generations
- <u>Find a cause that</u>
 <u>resonates and effect</u>
 <u>change</u>

Get proximate

Merchant

Be willing to get close a first step to authentic connections and inclusion.

- Seek out people who are different, like you, and actively listen
- Practice productive dialogue, not just debate

Study and learn from history

It helps us better understand our world and challenge biases.

- Find the stories that aren't being told
- Take the <u>Cultural</u> <u>Competency Self</u> <u>Assessment</u>

Protect peace

Accept that it's ok to not be ok. Focus on what anchors your life. For me, that's family and friends, faith and philanthropy.

- <u>Take steps to encourage</u> <u>courageous conversations</u> <u>that enable us to connect</u>, <u>to begin healing and get</u> <u>on a path to meaningful</u> <u>progress</u>.
- Spend time with loved ones and/or by yourself doing what you love

Take action as an ally

Go beyond words and literally do something.

- Seize this historic moment and make sure it brings about long-lasting, longoverdue change.
- Share your resources with others—knowledge, influence, assets

Set the bar higher

Then reset it.

- <u>Amp your leadership skills</u> with some top podcasts
- Elevate with intention

