

Looking at a Legacy: The Work of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., 50 Years Later

Fifty years ago this country was at war—both at home and abroad. As the war in Vietnam escalated, so did the battle for civil rights and equality. While some people viewed these situations as bleak, others saw opportunity for change. Emerging as a prominent leader of the civil rights movement, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. realized this opportunity through nonviolent protest in the face of oppression, ignorance, fear, and violence.

This display looks at the struggle for civil rights in early America alongside elements of King's life, legacy, and lasting impact in Philadelphia and beyond.

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