



# Is Black Lives Matter a Scam to Enrich Its Founder? Two Reports Detail Spending

Two recent news reports suggest that the organization Black Lives Matter (BLM) is more than just a terror outfit that razes cities when cops enforce the law without regard to race, creed, or color. It's also a means to enrich its Marxist founder.

Patrisse Cullors, who lines her pockets with money BLM collects from gullible contributors, has traveled from sea to shining sea to purchase four expensive homes.

That's not exactly why people donate to BLM, those who monitor the "nonprofit" industry say.



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#### Money to Child's Father

The latest on Marxist Cullors, <u>who created</u> the anti-Christian movement to promote anti-family, anti-American values, is that she funneled BLM loot to a company owned by Damon Turner, her baby daddy, the *Daily Caller* reported.

"The company, Trap Heals, was formed just days before partnering with Black Lives Matter Global Network Foundation and later became the charity's 'lead developer of the art & cultural efforts,' according to business records, interviews and an archived version of Trap Heals' website," the DC reported. "Two other activist groups Cullors led paid Trap Heals a collective \$238,000 to produce an election night livestream and for consulting services, campaign finance records show."

And "in numerous public mentions of their work, Cullors and Turner did not disclose that they had a child together," the <u>website continued</u>:

The executive director of the watchdog group CharityWatch, Laurie Styron, told the DCNF that a nonprofit leader shouldn't be involved in hiring a vendor if they have a personal relationship.

"To maintain public trust, it is vital that leaders not only avoid any impropriety in practice, but also avoid the appearance of it," Styron said. "In other words, even if the consultant or vendor hired is the best one for the job, if that vendor has a personal relationship with the leader who hired them, additional steps should be taken to prove to the public that this arrangement is in the best interest of the charity and was made at arm's length."

Not surprisingly, BLM activists who don't have access to the almost \$100 million the outfit has squeezed from woke corporations aren't too happy, the website reported.



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A leader in New York wants an "independent investigation" of the BLM Global Network, and "10 BLM chapters accused BLM Global Network in November of providing little to no support to the local groups. They also said the national arm provided no acceptable financial transparency surrounding the money it raised since its founding in 2013."

#### Continued the DC:

The local BLM groups' accusation followed a DCNF report that BLM Global Network spent a combined \$4.5 million on payroll, consultants and travel in its 2017, 2018 and 2019 fiscal years, a figure that encompassed 83.3% of the group's total spending during the three-year period, according to audited financial statements prepared by its former fiscal sponsor, Thousand Currents, a California-based charity.

During the same time period, however, BLM Global Network provided only \$328,000 to outside organizations, the financial statements show, such as the local, independent and autonomous BLM chapters across the country that, according to Cullors, are the ones responsible for carrying out the group's mission....

Despite BLM Global Network spending millions between 2017 and 2019, Cullors said in an April interview with Temple University professor Marc Lamont Hill that the group didn't have "real dollars" until after the May 2020 police killing of George Floyd, which, according to the Associated Press, drove more than \$90 million into BLM's coffers in 2020.

"We have to build an organization. It's the first time we've ever had real dollars and we have to build a black institution that can challenge policing, that can take care of black communities," Cullors told Hill. "The whole point of these articles and these recent attacks against me are to discredit me but also to discredit the movement."...

"The way that I live my life is in direct support to black people, including my black family members, first and foremost. For so many black folks who are able to invest in themselves and their community, they chose to invest in their family, and that's what I chose to do," Cullors told Hill. "So I see my money as not my own. I see it as my family's money as well."

The DCNF previously reported that Cullors' consulting firm, Janaya and Patrisse Consulting, received upwards of \$20,000 a month in 2019 from Reform LA Jails, one of Cullors' groups that paid Turner's company, according to the group's campaign finance filings.

#### **How Many Homes Does One Need?**

The DC also pointed to the *New York Post's* revelation that <u>Cullors is quite</u> the real estate collector. Cullors has spent \$3.2 million on four homes "in the U.S. alone," the newspaper reported last month:

Patrisse Khan-Cullors, 37, also eyed property in the Bahamas at an ultra-exclusive resort where Justin Timberlake and Tiger Woods both have homes, *The Post* has learned. Luxury apartments and townhouses at the beachfront Albany resort outside Nassau are priced between \$5 million and \$20 million, according to a local agent.

The self-described Marxist last month purchased a \$1.4 million home on a secluded road a short drive from Malibu in Los Angeles, according to a report. The 2,370-square-foot property features "soaring ceilings, skylights and plenty of windows" with canyon views.



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The Topanga Canyon homestead, which includes two houses on a quarter-acre, is just one of three homes Khan-Cullors owns in the Los Angeles area, public records show.

Such is Cullors' wealth that she and her "spouse," Janaya Khan, the <u>Post reported</u>, purchased a fourth 3.2-acre property in Georgia. It boasts a private airplane hangar and runway for small planes. The nicely-appointed abode has an indoor swimming pool.

Cullors began acquiring the real estate in 2016, four years before Floyd died, the <u>newspaper reported</u>. She purchased a home in Inglewood, California, now worth \$800,000, then bought another in South Los Angeles in 2018 that is worth \$720,000.

In the Bahamas, the *Post* reported, Cullors and her "wife" looked at high-end homes at a resort where residents "are buying their fourth or fifth home," a resort worker told the newspaper. "This is not a second-home residence. It's extremely high-end, and people are coming here for complete and total privacy."

Though Cullors began BLM after George Zimmerman killed Trayvon Martin in self defense, not until Floyd died did the money begin rolling in, the *Post* reported.

No wonder those lower on the BLM totem pole want Cullors investigated. Her brand of Marxism is remarkably lucrative.





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