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The Center for the Study of Slavery and Justice (CSSJ) is a scholarly research center with a public humanities mission. Recognizing that racial and chattel slavery were central to the historical formation of the Americas and the modern world, the CSSJ creates a space for the interdisciplinary study of the historical forms of slavery while also examining how these legacies shape our contemporary world.

**Human Trafficking.** This project explores contemporary forms of human bondage and engages in public programming around this issue.

**Investigating the American Criminal Justice System.** This project focuses on prisons and relations between the police and communities of color.

**Freedom Archive.** This project creates an inventory of materials in Brown University Library's Special Collections related to slavery and abolition to help scholars more easily access these items.

**Global Curatorial Project.** This exhibition and curatorial project presents both the global interconnectedness of Atlantic slavery and the slave trade, as well as illuminates an alternative view about the history of our global modernity.

**Race, Medicine, and Social Justice:** This cluster will explore the history and persistence of structural racism in biomedicine as it intersects with economic and social conditions. We will focus on reimagining the knowledge we produce about race and health from a social justice perspective.

**Education and Race:** This project focuses on questions that explore the implications for policy and pedagogy when we deepen our knowledge about the intersections between race, racism, schools and other forms of social inequality.

**A Comparative History of Slavery:** This is a collaborative project between CSSJ and Harvard University, which is focused on creating a network of scholars from a variety of national and international institutions focused on the history of slavery.

Visit us in our renovated 19th century house, which includes a [gallery exhibition space](#), stunning glass wall art piece [Rising to Freedom](#) and a [symbolic garden](#).

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