



"The Structure of Racism"

Sponsored by the Dominican Sisters of Houston and The Center for the Healing of Racism

Join us via Zoom

Saturday

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1-3 p.m.

There are both psychological and structural causes and consequences of prejudice and discrimination. These factors link through a complicated process that resists change. Dr. Craig Oettinger will discuss these persistent patterns and --with the help of the audience-- will explore how change is possible. Craig earned a PhD from Brown University in 1978. His dissertation, "The Politics of Excluded Groups," focused on changing Black political strategies, White response, and Black influence in American cities. As a high school student in Connecticut, he experienced anti-Semitism, which led him to join a racial justice committee. His involvement with the committee was the start of his many years as an activist for racial justice. He says, "My involvement in the civil rights movement was minor compared to that of many other people. I don't think my actions had much effect on the world, but the experience had a huge impact on me." Craig taught sociology at the University of Houston, Clear Lake for 35 years where his involvement with civil rights had an impact on his students as well.

Please RSVP to <u>croeger@domhou.org</u>or 713.440.3714. You must RSVP with an email address so that the Zoom link can be sent to you prior to the workshop.