**Inspirational Historical Stories of Change**

***Big Question:*** How did events, individuals and/or groups of people great change?

***Activity:*** You will research an individual, group of people, or an event in history that created significant change.

To start this activity, you will answer the following questions:

* What does it mean to create change?
* How do people/groups go about creating change?
* What conditions are necessary for change to occur?
* What are barriers to change? What are challenges in creating change?
* What are some ways we can overcome challenges?

After answering these questions, you will then research a person, group of people, or event in history that created change. In partners or individually, you will research your topic and demonstrate your understanding to the class. You will have an opportunity to choose how you present your findings, but you must clearly show your audience the following:

1. A description of this person, group of people or event
2. Time period in history (this may be an ongoing event or issue)
3. How did this person or group become interested or personally connected to this issue?
4. Who supported their cause? Who didn’t support them and why?
5. What steps did they take to create change? Be specific.
6. What barriers or challenges did this individual or group of people face?
7. How did they overcome these challenges or were they able to?

**Presentation Format**

How you demonstrate your understanding is up to you, but it should be interesting, engaging, and informative. We will brainstorm effective presentation techniques and ideas in class.