If you believe that:

- Democracy depends on citizen participation,
- Alaskans have a lot of good ideas that should be shared,
- Polarization is not the way our communities and state should function, and
- By respectfully exchanging ideas with one another, we can work toward solving the problems facing our community, state, and nation;

**Alaska Common Ground** invites you to join us in an effort to enhance our democratic way of life by engaging Alaskans in respectful conversations. We work to build a better understanding on important public policy issues through forums, group discussions, policy papers and public service announcements.

We, the Board of Alaska Common Ground, stand in solidarity with Black lives. We stand against the legacies of racism and violence that have attempted to silence Black and Indigenous voices, and all People of Color, for generations throughout this country including Alaska. [Read the full statement here.](#)

**Alaska’s Fiscal Outlook**

At our annual meeting on **Monday, May 4** we heard from Pat Pitney and Cliff Groh about Alaska’s current economic circumstances. [You can find that presentation here.](#)
Some recent events include:

**From Conflict to Compromise: Four Mini-Debates on Different Paths**

We had another great turnout on **February 11th, 2020** as we continued our fiscal conversations with a series of debates on fiscal solutions. *Speakers and video and slides can be found here.*

**Who’s doing what about climate change in Anchorage and beyond?**

We had a great turnout at the open house on February 4. If you missed it or want more information, a list of the participating organizations and *more information is available here.*

Alaska Common Ground hosted a discussion of the recently adopted *Anchorage Climate Action Plan* on November 6. If you missed the conversation about what’s in the plan, from food security systems to emergency preparedness, and how *you* can get involved, you can watch the video [here](#).

**The Housing Continuum: Building a Vibrant Community at the**
Anchorage Museum Auditorium was held in March and April. Video and audio from series and other resources here.

We held an event discussing the Costs of Alaska’s Economic Roller Coaster on January 27th. Video from the event is available here. Video is also available from GCI on Demand.

If you are interested in receiving advance notice of our events please subscribe to our email list.