

## **Transcript: Changing the narrative to advance health equity**

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*[ON SCREEN: What narratives need to change to advance health equity?]*

**Robert Salcido, Jr., Pride Center San Antonio:** I believe one of the narratives that we need to change in America is that racism doesn't exist.

**Elizabeth Murphy, Gathering Ground:** We need to create a narrative that reinforces the fact that we are making progress, that we are on the right side of history.

**Jamie Riley, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities:** The narratives that we need to change in America, particularly for black people, is that we are human and we'd be humanized, and that our stories need to be told from an asset-based frame. And to do that, we need to shift power.

**Elton Gumbel, UpTogether:** Rather than only talking about what our communities lack, only talk about what our communities are struggling with, but talking about the strength, talking about the resilience, talking about the resourcefulness, talking about the initiatives and dreams that our communities have and are striving for every day, despite their circumstances.

**Tiffany Young, Lenell and Lillie Consulting:** We begin to change the conversation and illustrate the ways that community, you know, community leaders, community residents, have shown us that there's enough and that there can be equality and we can all bask in the American dream.

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