"TAKE ACTION" RESOURCES

The Stanford Digital Civil Society Lab curated this list for organizations that are interested in **taking further action to combat disinformation** in their communities. This includes toolkits to identify and counter disinformation, as well as policy and advocacy resources.

1. Disinformation Toolkit
   ○ This toolkit designed by and for international NGOs and civil society helps organizations identify their risk, develop a strategy, and build resilience.
2. Essential Guide to Verifying Online Information
   ○ Part of the First Draft CrossCheck Initiative, this guide has tools, tips, and techniques for figuring out if online materials are what they purport to be.
3. Shorenstein Center on Media, Politics and Public Policy
   ○ Led by Dr. Joan Donovan, the Shorenstein Center leads the field in examining Internet and technology studies, online extremism, media manipulation, and disinformation campaigns.
4. COVID-10 Misinformation and Black Communities
   ○ Brandi Collins-Dexter, a visiting fellow at the Shorenstein Center, writes about disinformation and coordinated attacks on Black technoculture. As a senior campaign director at Color Of Change (COC), her work involves interrogating the role of media, technology, and information integrity in improving or deteriorating community health and economic opportunities.
5. Disinformation Action Lab at Data & Society (DAL)
   ○ This research lab forges new approaches to address the complex dynamics underpinning the spread of propaganda and disinformation.
6. The 101 of Disinformation Detection
   ○ This starter kit provides the basic steps organizations should follow to begin tracking online disinformation, and includes helpful graphics and thoughtful explorations of the pros and cons of data collection.
7. The COMPROP Navigator
   ○ The Project on Computational Propaganda launched an interactive resource for civil society groups as they respond to a rise in disinformation.
8. Inspecting Algorithms in Social Media Platforms
   ○ Ada Lovelace Institute's joint briefing with Reset gives recommendations toward a practical way forward for regulatory inspection of algorithms. Primarily aimed at policymakers, the report could also be helpful for organizations thinking about methods, skills, and capacity for inspecting algorithmic systems.

9. [MediaJustice](#)
   ○ MediaJustice fights for racial, economic, and gender justice in a digital age. Their [report on digital cultures](#) is an invaluable resource to address misinformation and information access through a lens of racial justice.
10. [Berkeley Protocol](#)
    ○ A practical guide on the effective use of digital open source information in investigating violations of international criminal, human rights, and humanitarian law. The Human Rights Center at UC Berkeley works with technologists and students to improve the quality of information found on social media, including developing protocols for better identifying misinformation. Included is an online investigation plan template, a digital threat and risk assessment template, a digital landscape assessment template, a data collection form, and considerations for validating new tools.

Trainings and Resources from Other Organizations and Alliances

11. [First Draft](#)
    ○ First Draft provides trainings for journalists with the aim of protecting communities from harmful misinformation, and empowering society with the knowledge and tools needed to outsmart mis- and disinformation.
12. [School of Information Center for Social Media Responsibility](#)
    ○ This University of Michigan program offers online explainers, and more.
13. [Tow Center for Digital Journalism](#)
    ○ Part of the Columbia Journalism School, this program examines digital journalism's cultural shifts and its relationship with the broader, constantly changing world of technology.
14. [Shorenstein Center on Media, Politics and Public Policy](#)
    ○ This Harvard Kennedy School research center is dedicated to exploring and illuminating the intersection of press, politics, and public policy.
15. [Alternative Regulatory Responses to Misinformation](#)
    ○ Yale Law School/Wikimedia Initiative on Intermediaries and Information focusing on novel regulatory responses to misinformation. Moderator Michael Karanicolas is joined by panelists Akriti Gaur, Ivar Hartmann, Barbora Bukovská, Lisa H. Macpherson, Jonathan Obar, Sandra Cortesi, Stephen LePorte, Jan Rydzak, Elizabeth Renieris, Dunstan Allison-Hope, and Jack Balkin.