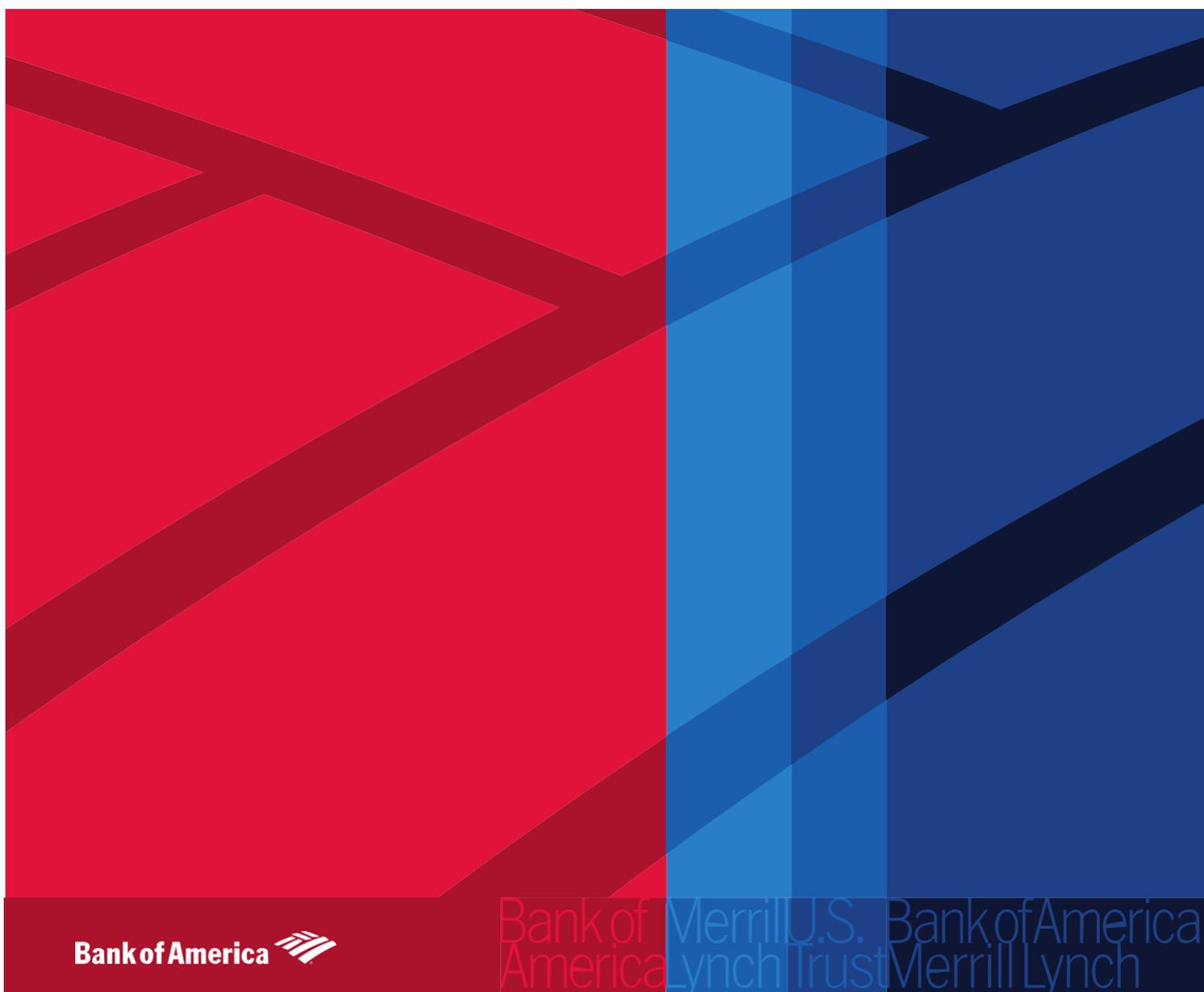


Bank of America Human Rights Statement



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Bank of America supports fundamental human rights and demonstrates leadership in responsible workplace practices across our enterprise and in all regions where we conduct business. While national government's bear the primary responsibility for upholding human rights, our company policies and practices promote and protect human rights, and we strive to conduct our business in a manner consistent with the [United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights](#) and the [International Labor Organization's Fundamental Conventions](#). Our commitment to fair, ethical and responsible business practices, as we engage with our employees, clients, vendors and communities around the world, is embodied in our values and Code of Conduct.

Employees

Our success as a company is driven by the people supporting our customers and clients each day. Bank of America is committed to treating every employee with respect and dignity and protecting their human rights. We offer equal employment opportunity to all, do not tolerate discrimination or harassment, and are proud to be a leader in supporting [diversity and inclusion](#). We abide by labor laws and regulations in the regions where we conduct business including those that address child labor, forced labor, equal pay and nondiscrimination in our workforce. We strive to provide a safe and healthy work environment for all employees. We also acknowledge and support the rights of each employee and value an open dialogue with our employees so we may continue to improve their work environment as well as the service we provide customers and clients around the world.

Customers, Clients and Vendors

Bank of America has policies to prevent the illegal use of our products and services, including abuse that may result in human rights violations. These policies include a rigorous Customer Due Diligence process, compliance with U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, the U.K. Bribery Act and the Modern Slavery Act as well as anti-money laundering controls. All employees are required to complete annual training on many of these subjects, as well as acknowledge our Code of Conduct.

We have endorsed a number of international charters, principles and initiatives that address social and environmental issues, including the United Nations Principles for Responsible Investment, the Equator Principles, Carbon Principles, United Nations Global Compact and CERES Principles. [Our Environmental and Social Risk Policy Framework \(ESRPF\)](#) articulates how we approach environmental and social risks across our business, as well as outlining the environmental and social issues most relevant to us. The policies referenced in the ESRPF are reviewed as a part of our internal audit process, which evaluates our adherence to all policies in place within each of our lines of business.

Bank of America strives to work with vendors whose policies and practices regarding human rights are consistent with our own. We have set out clear expectations for our vendors in their management of human rights and other key areas in the bank's [Vendor Code of Conduct](#).



Communities

At Bank of America, our purpose is to make financial lives better. This purpose informs our company's values and reinforces our mission to help local economies grow and prosper. We believe by working with key partners to address critical human rights issues, such as economic empowerment, hunger, jobs, improved health, and access to sustainable energy and water, we can help improve the economic and social health of the communities we serve.