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A Resource Guide for Seattle Settlers

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Real Rent Duwamish offers this placemat as a starting point. It is specifically geared towards Seattle-area “settlers” (people who do not have ancestral ties to this area). We hope that these resources spark ideas for concrete actions you can take — not only on Thanksgiving, but throughout the year.

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Start new holiday traditions that center indigenous justice.

Buy local foods. Make a land acknowledgement at dinner. Find gifts at Native-owned businesses and the Duwamish Gift Fair and Art Market.

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