

Event Session

What is Equitable Development and Panel Where Weve Been

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00:00:00> 00:00:01:	Only beginning.
00:00:09> 00:00:10:	Don't.
00:00:10> 00:00:14:	Don't. Don't. Don't. Don't. Don't. Don't. Don't. Don't. Don't. Don't.
00:00:14> 00:00:16:	Don't. Don't. Stop. Don't.
00:00:16> 00:00:17:	Stop.
00:00:18> 00:00:22:	Don't. Don't. Don't. Don't. Don't. Don't. Don't. Don't. Don't. Don't.
00:00:23> 00:00:24:	Don't. Don't. Don't.
00:00:26> 00:00:30:	Don't. Stop. Stop. Stop. Stop. Stop.
00:00:50> 00:00:54:	Don't. Don't. Don't. Don't. Don't. Don't. Don't. Don't. Don't. Don't.
00:00:54> 00:00:54:	Don't.
00:00:54> 00:00:55:	Stop.
00:01:28> 00:01:29:	Green light go.
00:01:29> 00:01:31:	That's all I know.
00:01:31> 00:01:35:	And when I roll, I'm in control.
00:01:36> 00:01:37:	You know what they.
00:01:37> 00:01:37:	Say.
00:01:39> 00:01:43:	And gonna walk away until I'm there.
00:01:47> 00:01:48:	Never give up.
00:02:35> 00:02:36:	Never give up.
00:04:02> 00:04:04:	I'm not the one that can write my story.
00:04:06> 00:04:08:	And nobody else gonna do with for me.
00:04:10> 00:04:11:	And The thing is.
00:04:11> 00:04:11:	Gabby?
00:04:13> 00:04:14:	In front of me.
00:04:15> 00:04:16:	Write my story.
00:04:18> 00:04:20:	Like this. Like that. You would like this. Then I'll
00:04:20> 00:04:22:	do it like that. I'm gonna do it like this.

00:04:22> 00:04:25:	Do it like that. Do it like this. Then I'll
00:04:25> 00:04:26:	do it like that. I'm gonna make it good.
00:04:28> 00:04:28:	You were right.
00:04:32> 00:04:32:	I'm going to go right.
00:04:43> 00:04:44:	I'm not the one that could write.
00:04:47> 00:04:48:	And nobody else gonna do it for me.
00:04:51> 00:04:51:	Anything at all?
00:04:54> 00:04:54:	In front of me.
00:04:56> 00:04:57:	Write my story right.
00:04:59> 00:05:01:	Like this. Do it like that. Do it like this.
00:05:01> 00:05:03:	Then I'll do it like that. I'm gonna do it
00:05:03> 00:05:05:	like this. Do it like that. Do it like this.
00:05:05> 00:05:07:	Then I'll do it like that. I'm gonna make it
00:05:07> 00:05:07:	good.
00:05:24> 00:05:25:	Write my story.
00:05:27> 00:05:29:	Ain't nobody else gonna do it for me.
00:05:31> 00:05:32:	Anything.
00:05:34> 00:05:34:	Got it.
00:05:37> 00:05:40:	Write my story. I'm gonna do it like this. Do
00:05:40> 00:05:42:	it like that. Do it like this. Then I'll do
00:05:42> 00:05:45:	it like that. I'm going to do it like this.
00:05:45> 00:05:47:	Do it like that. Do it like this. Then I'll
00:05:47> 00:05:49:	do it like that. I'm gonna. I'm gonna do it
00:05:49> 00:05:50:	right.
00:05:53> 00:05:53:	I'm gonna.
00:05:53> 00:05:54:	Do it right.
00:06:00> 00:06:01:	I'm on the 1.
00:06:13> 00:06:18:	Ladies and gentlemen, let me introduce me.
00:06:22> 00:06:23:	Yeah.
00:06:24> 00:06:25:	Here I go.
00:06:27> 00:06:28:	Ain't no time.
00:06:31> 00:06:33:	I'm just gonna do.
00:06:37> 00:06:37:	So.
00:06:37> 00:06:39:	Elevated.
00:06:44> 00:06:48:	Feeling good what you want? Feeling good? What you got?
00:06:48> 00:06:49:	Feeling good?
00:06:50> 00:06:52:	I'm gonna do.
00:07:12> 00:07:14:	Feel so amazing how I knew. Here I go.
00:07:22> 00:07:24:	I'm gonna do what I do.
00:07:26> 00:07:27:	Just got that.
00:07:28> 00:07:29:	Do whatever.
00:07:30> 00:07:30:	You feel?

00:07:32> 00:07:33:	l got that.
00:07:34> 00:07:35:	Can't get much.
00:07:35> 00:07:35:	Higher.
00:07:37> 00:07:38:	Keep in mind.
00:07:41> 00:07:45:	Feeling good what you want? Feeling good? What you got
00:07:45> 00:07:45:	feeling?
00:07:47> 00:07:49:	l'm gonna do.
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00:08:19> 00:08:22:	l'm gonna do what I do. I'm just gonna do
00:08:22> 00:08:24:	what I do. Keep it real. Keep it cool.
00:08:36> 00:08:36:	lt's.
00:08:59> 00:09:03:	Good morning. Good morning, good morning, good morning.
00:09:05> 00:09:08:	I heard a good morning from the from the breakfast
00:09:08> 00:09:09:	bar there. Hi everyone.
00:09:10> 00:09:12:	How's everyone doing?
00:09:12> 00:09:16:	Hello, my name is Sonia Huntley. I'm the senior vice
00:09:16> 00:09:20:	president of Diversity, Equity, and inclusion for the Urban Land
00:09:20> 00:09:23:	Institute, and I am extremely excited to be here in
00:09:23> 00:09:27:	Indiana. This is my first time in Indiana, so yes,
00:09:27> 00:09:27:	clap for that.
00:09:28> 00:09:31:	Clap for that. Everyone has been just so warm and
00:09:32> 00:09:35:	so welcoming. Um, I've told the story already that I
00:09:35> 00:09:38:	had this a wonderful ride from the airport to the
00:09:38> 00:09:42:	hotel. You know, traffic in Washington, DC is is some
00:09:42> 00:09:45:	of the worst traffic in the country. So I I
00:09:45> 00:09:48:	said to the taxi driver, I was like, wow, this
00:09:48> 00:09:51:	is so peaceful. So anyway, I just want to take
00:09:51> 00:09:54:	a moment to acknowledge the team that has put in
00:09:54> 00:09:58:	the work that has brought us together this week. Coordinating.
00:09:59> 00:10:02:	Event as robust as the summit is not an easy
00:10:02> 00:10:08:	undertaking. It takes creativity and collaboration, vision and a sense
00:10:08> 00:10:12:	of purpose. And all of this is done under the
00:10:12> 00:10:17:	stewardship of an absolutely amazing group of members and staff.
00:10:17> 00:10:22:	The summit has been and is a powerhouse, convener of
00:10:22> 00:10:28:	knowledge and tough yet expiring conversation around equity and land
00:10:28> 00:10:29:	use and leadership.
00:10:29> 00:10:32:	So just if we could just give a round of
00:10:32> 00:10:36:	applause, we'll be doing this all day for this team.

00:10:36> 00:10:40:	They've worked so hard. So before we get started with
00:10:40> 00:10:43:	the day and and given that this event is about
00:10:43> 00:10:47:	equitable development, I wanted to take a moment to talk
00:10:47> 00:10:52:	about utilized big alize, commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion.
00:10:53> 00:10:57:	And I'll start off by talking about our statement on
00:10:57> 00:11:02:	diversity, equity and inclusion. So our statement on diversity, equity
00:11:02> 00:11:06:	and inclusion is to pursue unrelenting efforts to shape the
00:11:06> 00:11:12:	built environment towards diverse, equitable and inclusive communities. We want
00:11:12> 00:11:16:	to do that by connecting talent and opportunity for staff,
00:11:16> 00:11:21:	membership and leadership at UALI to better represent the communities
00:11:21> 00:11:24:	we serve through targeted measurable.
00:11:24> 00:11:28:	Organization wide actions. We also want to inspire a welcoming
00:11:28> 00:11:32:	and inclusive culture in the real estate industry that's really
00:11:32> 00:11:37:	about belonging, underscoring the business benefit for Members and their
00:11:37> 00:11:41:	organizations through outreach, education and programs of work.
00:11:42> 00:11:46:	And we want to lead in tackling structural and systemic
00:11:46> 00:11:52:	barriers across the real estate industry through committed engagement, actionable
00:11:52> 00:11:56:	insights and best practices. So when we talk about connecting
00:11:56> 00:12:01:	talent, opportunity for staff membership and leadership, that really is
00:12:01> 00:12:05:	about accelerating the representation of women of all races and
00:12:05> 00:12:09:	ethnicities by POC, we we say bipop black, indigenous people
00:12:09> 00:12:12:	of color, professionals, both male and women.
00:12:12> 00:12:16:	Men and women and our LGBTQIA plus community in our
00:12:16> 00:12:20:	organization, both at the staff level, the staff leadership level
00:12:20> 00:12:23:	and in in the industry, and also in your district
00:12:23> 00:12:27:	councils and your product councils as well. And when we
00:12:27> 00:12:31:	talk about inspiring the welcoming and inclusive culture that really
00:12:31> 00:12:35:	is about belonging, it's about people feeling like they belong
00:12:35> 00:12:39:	in the room, that they are welcomed in what you
00:12:39> 00:12:42:	do. We know that the Urban Land Institute has a
00:12:42> 00:12:43:	wealth of information.
00:12:43> 00:12:47:	Relative to research and doing the work of commercial real

00:12:47> 00:12:51:	estate, but what happens after the speaking engagement has ended
00:12:51> 00:12:54:	when people are in the room that they feel welcome,
00:12:54> 00:12:57:	that they feel a part of your organization. So we're
00:12:57> 00:13:01:	really placing a great deal of emphasis on belonging. And
00:13:01> 00:13:05:	when we talk about tackling structural and systemic racism, it
00:13:05> 00:13:07:	really is about our program of work.
00:13:08> 00:13:12:	This year we released a report titled the 10 Principles
00:13:12> 00:13:16:	for Embedding Racial Equity in in real Estate Development is
00:13:16> 00:13:20:	really a milestone moment for the Urban Land Institute because
00:13:20> 00:13:24:	this is a subject quite frankly that historically we haven't
00:13:24> 00:13:28:	talked about. So when you when you think about the
00:13:28> 00:13:31:	Urban Land Institute and its history, it has been a
00:13:32> 00:13:37:	male dominated organization. It's Genesis really was more about exclusivity
00:13:37> 00:13:38:	than inclusivity.
00:13:38> 00:13:42:	When you think about a small group of land owners
00:13:42> 00:13:46:	coming together to do business with one another, so releasing
00:13:47> 00:13:50:	a report that focuses on how you can embed racial
00:13:50> 00:13:55:	equity and development is is pretty phenomenal. So I would
00:13:55> 00:13:59:	encourage all of you, if you have an opportunity to,
00:13:59> 00:14:03:	to get that report and convene discussion around it. And
00:14:03> 00:14:07:	now we created this statement #1 to galvanize on our
00:14:07> 00:14:08:	organization.
00:14:08> 00:14:12:	And to to ensure that we were all talking about
00:14:12> 00:14:17:	diversity, equity and inclusion in a consistent way. So it
00:14:17> 00:14:21:	it it serves as our North Star and it provides
00:14:21> 00:14:25:	sort of a road map for us because language is
00:14:25> 00:14:32:	inherently subjective. The evaluation, evaluation criteria was developed to help
00:14:32> 00:14:37:	guide our decision making for creating this statement. The goal
00:14:37> 00:14:38:	was and is to.
00:14:38> 00:14:43:	Unequivocally state utilized commitment and dedication to diversity, equity, and
00:14:44> 00:14:48:	inclusion at UCI and across the real estate industry. Internally,
00:14:48> 00:14:50:	we call it our top line statement for DUI.
00:14:51> 00:14:55:	It is our what and it is our how. It
00:14:55> 00:14:59:	is what we aim for. It is what our values
00:14:59> 00:15:05:	are. It represents what we will vigorously pursue with respect
00:15:05> 00:15:06:	to DEI.

00:15:06> 00:15:09:	It is also our blueprint for how you will I
00:15:09> 00:15:12:	will focus efforts to bring DI into every aspect of
00:15:12> 00:15:14:	the work that we do.
00:15:15> 00:15:18:	So again, it provides a framework by which we all
00:15:19> 00:15:24:	live. Now the integration of the Women's Leadership initiative within
00:15:24> 00:15:28:	our DI strategy is critical as ULI continues its commitment
00:15:28> 00:15:33:	to equity. The WI Network remains an important community that
00:15:33> 00:15:37:	helps to provide a culture of belonging within the larger
00:15:37> 00:15:43:	institute and it ensures that diverse representation through positioning women
00:15:43> 00:15:45:	and people of color.
00:15:45> 00:15:49:	Expert voices is key as evidence by the exceptional speakers
00:15:49> 00:15:52:	that are part of the summit programming this week.
00:15:53> 00:15:55:	And if we've done our job well, you all know
00:15:55> 00:15:59:	that all year we've been celebrating the 10th anniversary of
00:15:59> 00:16:02:	the Women's Leadership Initiative, if we've done our job well.
00:16:03> 00:16:04:	Since 2012.
00:16:05> 00:16:09:	We have seen considerable growth in many areas. Uli women
00:16:09> 00:16:14:	members have more than doubled, going from about 5600 women
00:16:14> 00:16:17:	some 10 years ago to more than 13,000 women as
00:16:17> 00:16:22:	members today, which is, you know, more than 113% increase
00:16:22> 00:16:26:	in in the numbers of women members. For those familiar
00:16:26> 00:16:31:	with our membership structure, full members on product councils represent
00:16:31> 00:16:35:	some of our most senior members, seniors not in age.
00:16:35> 00:16:39:	And an experience the number of product Council women members
00:16:39> 00:16:43:	is also impressive. Some 10 years ago there are about
00:16:43> 00:16:46:	300, and nearly 800 women are full members on product
00:16:46> 00:16:47:	councils today.
00:16:48> 00:16:52:	We've seen, even seen growth in the number of Women
00:16:52> 00:16:56:	product Council leaders. This also historically has been a fairly
00:16:57> 00:17:01:	male dominated structure when we talk about product councils. So
00:17:01> 00:17:04:	some 10 years ago there were about 50 women who
00:17:04> 00:17:08:	were leaders on product councils and today we have over
00:17:08> 00:17:12:	135. And with and in terms of our District Council
00:17:12> 00:17:16:	network, our powerful District Council network, we have

	about 46
00:17:16> 00:17:19:	district councils across the Americas.
00:17:19> 00:17:23:	That have WI committees and I'd say women are without
00:17:23> 00:17:28:	question, without question making their mark at UI and in
00:17:28> 00:17:30:	the real estate industry at large.
00:17:31> 00:17:35:	So throughout the year, we've been recognizing WI members
	and
00:17:35> 00:17:39:	the impact of its programs and planning for the future.
00:17:39> 00:17:43:	Our campaign to celebrate the 10th anniversary really kicked off
00:17:43> 00:17:47:	with Women's History Month. And if you've been reading our
00:17:47> 00:17:51:	Urban Land magazine online and also the printed piece, you
00:17:51> 00:17:55:	probably have seen some articles that describe the history of
00:17:55> 00:18:00:	the Women's Leadership Initiative, our celebration of the Women's Leadership
00:18:00> 00:18:01:	Initiative.
00:18:01> 00:18:05:	Its 10th anniversary will culminate at our fall meeting in
00:18:05> 00:18:08:	Dallas and we hope to see all of you there.
00:18:08> 00:18:12:	We're we're planning a number of activities including a a
00:18:13> 00:18:17:	reception that will celebrate our 10 year anniversary. We also
00:18:17> 00:18:21:	of course will have some curated conversations as well. So
00:18:21> 00:18:22:	having said that.
00:18:23> 00:18:26:	There's still a lot of work ahead and I can
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00:19:33> 00:19:36:	And I really needed to figure out, you know, how
00:19:36> 00:19:38:	to find my own voice. Some of my friends will
00:19:39> 00:19:42:	say, one of my male friends said in particular, where
00:19:42> 00:19:45:	you've made-up for lost time because you have no problem
00:19:45> 00:19:46:	talking now.
00:19:48> 00:19:50:	I knew that I had a lot inside of me
00:19:50> 00:19:52:	to say I just couldn't figure out how to get
00:19:52> 00:19:55:	it. So I was always kind of that quiet person
00:19:55> 00:19:57:	in the room. And so a lot of my why
00:19:57> 00:20:00:	is not just because of my lived experience as an
00:20:00> 00:20:03:	African American woman. I really have a passion for inclusion,
00:20:03> 00:20:06:	and I'm always looking for the person in the room
00:20:06> 00:20:09:	that doesn't have a voice. And I think that when
00:20:09> 00:20:11:	I look around this room at the people who are
00:20:12> 00:20:15:	passionate about the Urban Land Institute, Urban Land Institute, its
00:20:15> 00:20:17:	mission and the women's leadership.
00:20:18> 00:20:21:	Initiative. I know that you are people that care about
00:20:21> 00:20:24:	bringing voice and giving voice to the voiceless. And so
00:20:24> 00:20:27:	I ask that you continue to push for that. Looking
00:20:27> 00:20:29:	for the person in the room that maybe looks like
00:20:29> 00:20:33:	they don't belong, bringing them into the fold, bringing them
00:20:33> 00:20:36:	into the conversation, bringing them to the table, pushing for
00:20:37> 00:20:40:	people to be hired into positions that traditionally are not
00:20:40> 00:20:44:	offered to them. And really bringing, continuing to bring these
00:20:44> 00:20:46:	issues to the forefront. You know, there is a lot
00:20:46> 00:20:48:	of work that can be done.
00:20:48> 00:20:49:	As a person.
00:20:50> 00:20:55:	Individually, but I I think about a African proverb that
00:20:55> 00:20:59:	says that if you want to go fast, go alone,
00:20:59> 00:21:02:	but if you want to go far, go together. So
00:21:02> 00:21:08:	continue to work together intentionally, which with intentionality on these
00:21:08> 00:21:09:	issues.
00:21:10> 00:21:11:	So with that.
00:21:12> 00:21:16:	Now I want to pivot a bit and introduce our
00:21:16> 00:21:19:	I think we decided to call her the Queen of
00:21:19> 00:21:20:	the day.
00:21:22> 00:21:27:	But Jackie Haynes is really going to be a shepherding
00:21:27> 00:21:32:	us through the day and keeping everything running on time.
00:21:32> 00:21:35:	She is a member of You Ali. She is a
00:21:35> 00:21:41:	senior retail broker with mid Land Atlantic properties. Since

	joining
00:21:41> 00:21:47:	Midland Atlantic Properties in January of 2018, Jackie is focused
00:21:47> 00:21:52:	on site selection for retail clients. She really has a
00:21:52> 00:21:52:	strong.
00:21:54> 00:21:58:	Experience in in retail and she's also focuses on the
00:21:58> 00:22:02:	sale of single net leased investments and shopping centers and
00:22:02> 00:22:08:	development opportunities throughout Indiana. Prior to joining Midland Atlantic Properties,
00:22:08> 00:22:12:	Jackie was senior director of Cushman and Wakefield for 9
00:22:12> 00:22:18:	years with a comprehensive understanding of retail development, leasing and
00:22:18> 00:22:22:	asset management, as well as property acquisition and dispositions.
00:22:23> 00:22:29:	Jackie has created value for national and local developers, institution
00:22:29> 00:22:34:	and private owners throughout her 30 year real estate career.
00:22:34> 00:22:40:	She is actively involved in industry affiliations, including of course,
00:22:40> 00:22:43:	you and I CCIM, crew, I, CSC, and in her
00:22:43> 00:22:47:	spare time, if she has any, with her husband of
00:22:47> 00:22:51:	20 years. She spends time golfing with her husband of
00:22:51> 00:22:53:	20 years or in The Art Room.
00:22:53> 00:22:57:	Or with her grandchildren and her three doodles. So she
00:22:57> 00:22:59:	is a busy woman and we are excited that she
00:22:59> 00:23:02:	has heeded the call to be a part of the
00:23:02> 00:23:05:	summit this week. So please welcome Jackie up to the
00:23:05> 00:23:07:	podium and thank you very much.
00:23:19> 00:23:22:	Thank you. Thank you and welcome. I think we should
00:23:22> 00:23:25:	all read our BIOS now and then because it makes
00:23:25> 00:23:28:	you feel really good. Maybe that should be like a
00:23:28> 00:23:31:	common practice that we just pull them out now and
00:23:31> 00:23:34:	then and go, wow, I did do something, you know,
00:23:34> 00:23:36:	it wasn't today, but I did do something. So I
00:23:36> 00:23:38:	am really excited to be here and.
00:23:38> 00:23:43:	Thank you Sonia for your comments on this. This is
00:23:43> 00:23:47:	really important to me and I'm gonna take it down
00:23:47> 00:23:51:	from the big ULI level down to our local level.
00:23:51> 00:23:56:	In 2000, 2016, Kelly and Jennifer and others reached out
00:23:56> 00:24:01:	and said we want to start Women's leadership initiative within
00:24:01> 00:24:05:	the Indianapolis IN ULI. So I am just so proud
00:24:05> 00:24:09:	of the accomplishments that have been made.
00:24:09> 00:24:14:	Since that time we have really worked hard to advance

00.04.44 > 00.04.47.	women to make ours that we do have a a
00:24:14> 00:24:17:	women to make sure that we do have a a
00:24:17> 00:24:21:	place at the podium, not just a place in the
00:24:21> 00:24:25:	meeting to hear our voices to, to be influencers and
00:24:25> 00:24:29:	what we do. And so I'm just really proud of
00:24:29> 00:24:33:	that and take a moment to the Indianapolis, WI to
00:24:33> 00:24:37:	put pat yourself on the back for that. So today
00:24:37> 00:24:38:	in the next.
00:24:42> 00:24:45:	Over the next couple of days, we're going to hear
00:24:45> 00:24:47:	about where we were.
00:24:48> 00:24:50:	Where we are today and where we're going. So I
00:24:51> 00:24:53:	want to thank all of you who traveled here to
00:24:53> 00:24:57:	Indy. I want to thank our virtual audience that's listening
00:24:57> 00:25:01:	to us and downloading and recording and everyone that's taken
00:25:01> 00:25:04:	time out of their schedules to help this summit be
00:25:04> 00:25:08:	a success and what it is. All your contributions will
00:25:08> 00:25:09:	just make this.
00:25:09> 00:25:12:	Get better for all of us. So speaking, you know,
00:25:12> 00:25:16:	of where we've been, I talked about, you know that
00:25:16> 00:25:20:	we've done well within Indianapolis to promote the advancement of
00:25:20> 00:25:24:	women, increasing the visibility and support of women. And I
00:25:24> 00:25:26:	want to take a moment and just.
00:25:27> 00:25:28:	Recognize.
00:25:28> 00:25:29:	Hmm.
00:25:32> 00:25:35:	I really do want to take a moment and recognize
00:25:35> 00:25:39:	all of our committee chairs. So our sponsorship and budget
00:25:40> 00:25:44:	chair, Valerie Becker of Scannell properties. If. Where are
	you
00:25:44> 00:25:45:	Valerie?
00:25:45> 00:25:46:	There we go.
00:25:47> 00:25:52:	Our programming chair Samantha Spergel of Indiana Housing and Community
00:25:52> 00:25:52:	Development.
00:25:54> 00:25:59:	Our event and logistics chair, Lisa Laughlin of West Indianapolis
00:25:59> 00:26:00:	Development Corporation.
00:26:02> 00:26:05:	Our marketing chair, Holly Borton of three cord marketing and
00:26:05> 00:26:08:	all of their committees, and Holly is away on a
00:26:08> 00:26:11:	family vacation at the moment. So cheers, holly. I know
00:26:11> 00:26:12:	you're like hovering over us.
00:26:13> 00:26:17:	Um, and along with Holly, we have Megan Adams, Jennifer
	en, and along marrieny, we have megal / dame, commer

00:26:17> 00:26:21:	Milliken, Kelly Annas, Kaitlyn Shannon, and a whole slew of
00:26:21> 00:26:24:	team members from Urban Land Institute.
00:26:24> 00:26:27:	That have provided a lot of the support for the
00:26:27> 00:26:31:	summit. Several ULI and community members that are here. Again,
00:26:32> 00:26:34:	thank you everyone for contributing.
00:26:40> 00:26:44:	The journey of this program started in 2019 when women
00:26:44> 00:26:48:	UL I members from several district councils in the Central
00:26:48> 00:26:52:	United States came together to launch an inaugural WLI summit
00:26:52> 00:26:56:	in Louisville. How many of you in this room were
00:26:56> 00:27:00:	attending in Louisville, right? It was a great event and
00:27:00> 00:27:03:	that was the first one that we got to be
00:27:03> 00:27:05:	a part of. So in 2020, as with most you
00:27:06> 00:27:06:	know.
00:27:06> 00:27:10:	Events at that time it became online little, little issue
00:27:10> 00:27:13:	that came up in 2020 and the theme of that
00:27:13> 00:27:18:	became from acknowledgement to action. So the program included important
00:27:18> 00:27:23:	panel discussions about equity and land use, real estate development.
00:27:23> 00:27:26:	And then last year we were back in person with
00:27:26> 00:27:30:	a virtual option in Saint Louis and this year we're
00:27:30> 00:27:33:	in person and virtual again, but with a new name
00:27:33> 00:27:36:	just to_the importance of the summits theme.
00:27:36> 00:27:37:	And purpose.
00:27:38> 00:27:38:	So.
00:27:39> 00:27:43:	In the next couple of days we're going to hear.
00:27:44> 00:27:47:	From a lot of speakers, a lot of content, a
00:27:47> 00:27:48:	lot of creativity.
00:27:50> 00:27:52:	I want to make sure that we maximize your return
00:27:52> 00:27:55:	on investment while you're here. So there are a few
00:27:55> 00:27:56:	housekeeping issues.
00:27:57> 00:28:00:	Please be sure to download the hue below app. You
00:28:00> 00:28:03:	can find that in the e-mail. The hue below app
00:28:03> 00:28:05:	will be a content of all of the speakers BIOS,
00:28:06> 00:28:09:	the program. We're going to give condensed BIOS while we're
00:28:09> 00:28:12:	up here for the sake of time, but you can
00:28:12> 00:28:15:	find out all about those who are speaking more in
00:28:15> 00:28:17:	depth through the Cubello app.
00:28:18> 00:28:21:	Also has the agenda. Please be sure to visit WLI
00:28:21> 00:28:26:	hashtag WLI summit so that you can join the conversations,

00:28:26> 00:28:30:	post social recaps, check out the content, connect with others.
00:28:31> 00:28:34:	Make sure that you've scanned the QR code that I
00:28:34> 00:28:38:	was going to say is on your table. It's not.
00:28:38> 00:28:41:	It's out at the front or on your online again
00:28:41> 00:28:44:	that has the map, and it launches a map of
00:28:44> 00:28:48:	all the favorite places to eat, shop, sip.
00:28:48> 00:28:51:	While you're here and enjoy Indianapolis, so make sure that
00:28:51> 00:28:54:	you have that done and then throughout the day as
00:28:54> 00:28:56:	queen of the day, I'll be the one going chop
00:28:56> 00:28:59:	chop. It's time to get up here. Time to go.
00:29:00> 00:29:03:	I'll be nice about it though, alright, so let's let's
00:29:03> 00:29:05:	let's pivot and talk about what we're here for.
00:29:06> 00:29:10:	As we begin this summit, I just kind of challenge
00:29:10> 00:29:13:	everybody to think about what is equitable.
00:29:14> 00:29:18:	So Websters defines equitable, fair and impartial.
00:29:19> 00:29:21:	And equitable balance.
00:29:22> 00:29:24:	Sounds really easy, doesn't it?
00:29:25> 00:29:28:	So I think today we're going to hear about how
00:29:28> 00:29:29:	to get that accomplished.
00:29:31> 00:29:34:	I'd also like to introduce vop ossoli.
00:29:34> 00:29:37:	Who, I have to say, flew in from France last
00:29:37> 00:29:41:	night. He is fully dressed. I think that's amazing because
00:29:41> 00:29:45:	most of the clothes for people that flew internationally are
00:29:45> 00:29:48:	not anywhere near them. So I'd like to welcome him
00:29:48> 00:29:51:	here. He's going to come up and share opening remarks.
00:29:51> 00:29:54:	Bob is an architect who for many years led urban
00:29:55> 00:29:59:	design and architectural product projects throughout the US, Africa and
00:29:59> 00:30:03:	Middle East. He currently serves as the program director with
00:30:03> 00:30:05:	Wolpert and as President.
00:30:05> 00:30:09:	Of Indianapolis City County Council, where he has focused
	on
00:30:09> 00:30:13:	addressing issues of race, equity, reentry, and inclusive Urban Development.
00:30:13> 00:30:18:	He graduated from Carnegie Mellon University with a bachelor's degree
00:30:18> 00:30:22:	in Architecture and Columbia University with a Masters degree in
00:30:22> 00:30:25:	Architecture and Urban Design. He and his wife Una are
00:30:25> 00:30:29:	the proud parents of two amazing children, and again, he
00:30:29> 00:30:32:	has just joined us. Coming in from vacation. I'm not
00:30:32> 00:30:35:	sure he knows what day or time it is, but.

00:30:35> 00:30:38:	We thank you very much for being here. Please come
00:30:38> 00:30:38:	up.
00:30:52> 00:30:54:	Thank you, Jackie. Good morning, everyone.
00:30:56> 00:30:58:	Now that you know my travel itinerary.
00:30:59> 00:31:02:	It is my honor, not only as president of the
00:31:02> 00:31:05:	Indianapolis City County Council, but as councillor of much of
00:31:05> 00:31:09:	the downtown district that you'll be visiting over these last
00:31:09> 00:31:12:	two, over these next couple of days, to welcome each
00:31:12> 00:31:15:	of you to this remarkable summit in this very remarkable
00:31:15> 00:31:15:	city.
00:31:16> 00:31:19:	And before I say anything else, maybe we just pause
00:31:19> 00:31:23:	and share our thanks with you allies women's leadership initiative.
00:31:28> 00:31:31:	It's an incredibly talented group of women who plan this
00:31:31> 00:31:34:	summit. This is the second time in two weeks that
00:31:34> 00:31:37:	I've been part of an event that's focused on development,
00:31:37> 00:31:41:	construction, land use, real estate, all of those things where
00:31:41> 00:31:44:	women are running the table and not just women, women
00:31:44> 00:31:45:	of color. So our hats off to you.
00:31:47> 00:31:49:	I also want to offer a special welcome tune to
00:31:49> 00:31:52:	the many participants today who've traveled from all over the
00:31:52> 00:31:52:	United States.
00:31:54> 00:31:57:	To join a conversation that I hope leaves us all
00:31:57> 00:32:01:	inspired and invigorated and ready to advance the dialogue around
00:32:01> 00:32:02:	equitable development.
00:32:03> 00:32:05:	In our home communities and in our nation.
00:32:07> 00:32:09:	And for our visitors from outside of central IN, let
00:32:09> 00:32:10:	me assure you.
00:32:10> 00:32:13:	The hope that I express is not simply political pablum.
00:32:14> 00:32:16:	As an architect by trade and training.
00:32:17> 00:32:20:	And an advocate for racial equity by conscience.
00:32:21> 00:32:23:	The concept of equitable development is 1, which I am
00:32:23> 00:32:27:	personally and professionally and even politically invested.
00:32:27> 00:32:30:	And I'm thrilled to see you, my fellow investors here
00:32:30> 00:32:31:	this morning.
00:32:32> 00:32:35:	Oftentimes we're asked to cast a vision for the future
00:32:35> 00:32:38:	of Indianapolis, and when I'm asked, my answer is always
00:32:38> 00:32:38:	the same.
00:32:40> 00:32:43:	20 years from now, I'd like to drive through Indianapolis
00:32:43> 00:32:45:	at 7:00 AM on a Saturday.
00:32:46> 00:32:48:	And not be able to tell you the demographics of
00:32:48> 00:32:51:	the neighborhood by the state of its built environment.

00:32:52> 00:32:55:	This, coincidentally, is also my answer when people ask me
00:32:55> 00:32:56:	what racial equity looks like.
00:32:58> 00:33:00:	It's a community where you can't tell at a glance
00:33:00> 00:33:03:	whether a neighborhood is primarily populated by white people or
00:33:03> 00:33:04:	by people of color.
00:33:05> 00:33:08:	And I suspect those of you from other cities experienced
00:33:08> 00:33:12:	similar realities in the built environments in your own communities.
00:33:13> 00:33:16:	So I want us to challenge ourselves as a group
00:33:16> 00:33:16:	to think.
00:33:17> 00:33:20:	The next two days, not just about rebuilding our cities.
00:33:21> 00:33:23:	And towns over the next few years.
00:33:24> 00:33:26:	And not even about building back better.
00:33:27> 00:33:30:	But about building our communities anew.
00:33:32> 00:33:36:	As every architect, developer, planner, realtor, land use expert in
00:33:36> 00:33:37:	this room knows.
00:33:38> 00:33:40:	The first step in building anything is to lay a
00:33:40> 00:33:40:	foundation.
00:33:42> 00:33:47:	And Indianapolis, like virtually every metropolitan area across the United
00:33:47> 00:33:50:	States, was built on a foundation of race.
00:33:51> 00:33:52:	And racism.
00:33:53> 00:33:55:	I'm not. I know I'm not breaking any news when
00:33:55> 00:33:56:	I say that.
00:33:57> 00:33:59:	But I think it's incredibly important to be explicit about
00:33:59> 00:33:59:	it.
00:34:01> 00:34:03:	How can we spend the next two days talking about
00:34:03> 00:34:07:	equitable development without talking about the single most important factor
00:34:08> 00:34:11:	behind the decades of inequitable development that shaped our modern
00:34:11> 00:34:12:	urban landscape?
00:34:17> 00:34:18:	I'm not speaking metaphorically.
00:34:20> 00:34:25:	Race and racism have defined and dictated the development, or
00:34:25> 00:34:27:	lack thereof.
00:34:27> 00:34:31:	Of nearly all United States cities, including the city of
00:34:31> 00:34:32:	Indianapolis.
00:34:33> 00:34:38:	It's the concrete that has undergird decades of decisions about
00:34:38> 00:34:41:	land use, development and resource allocation.

00:34:43> 00:34:46:	And racism is a foundation for the modern urban landscape.
00:34:47> 00:34:49:	Then redlining is its blueprint.
00:34:50> 00:34:51:	So let me show you what I mean when I
00:34:51> 00:34:52:	say that.
00:34:53> 00:34:55:	Can someone put up the first slide?
00:34:57> 00:34:58:	Thank you.
00:34:59> 00:35:01:	Many cities have an old red line map like this
00:35:01> 00:35:03:	one of Indianapolis dating back to the 1930s.
00:35:04> 00:35:05:	Many, perhaps.
00:35:05> 00:35:10:	Perhaps most of our neighborhoods would view those old maps
00:35:10> 00:35:14:	as completely irrelevant to our modern urban landscape, but you
00:35:14> 00:35:17:	and I know differently, of course.
00:35:18> 00:35:19:	Let me have the next slide please.
00:35:20> 00:35:20:	There we go.
00:35:22> 00:35:26:	This slide shows another version of the 1937 redlining map
00:35:26> 00:35:30:	and another map illustrating the distribution of residents of color
00:35:30> 00:35:33:	across India's census tracts using data from 2019.
00:35:34> 00:35:37:	The more darkly shaded air in area is, the higher
00:35:37> 00:35:38:	its population of people of color.
00:35:40> 00:35:42:	Does anyone notice?
00:35:45> 00:35:45:	A resemblance.
00:35:50> 00:35:51:	May I have the next slide please?
00:35:53> 00:35:56:	How about if I put up a 2018 map of
00:35:56> 00:35:58:	Indies food deserts?
00:35:59> 00:36:01:	Next to the 1937 redlining map.
00:36:06> 00:36:07:	Thank you.
00:36:09> 00:36:09:	Or.
00:36:10> 00:36:13:	A map of our cities brownfield sites.
00:36:18> 00:36:20:	Or industrial sites.
00:36:24> 00:36:27:	Or are Interstate construction.
00:36:33> 00:36:34:	We can leave those up, please.
00:36:35> 00:36:37:	No, I'm not suggesting the practice of redlining was the
00:36:37> 00:36:39:	genesis of structural racism in our society.
00:36:40> 00:36:44:	But if the purpose of structural racism was and is
00:36:44> 00:36:48:	to build environments that create, enforce and perpetuate.
00:36:49> 00:36:50:	Racial inequities.
00:36:51> 00:36:55:	Than redlining was and is a remarkably effective strategy.
00:36:57> 00:37:00:	The fact is by the time the redlining was outlawed
00:37:00> 00:37:01:	in 1968.
00:37:02> 00:37:04:	So much of our city had been built using that

00:37:04> 00:37:04:	blueprint.
00:37:05> 00:37:09:	That its ability to create and sustain racial inequities in
00:37:09> 00:37:10:	our community was assured.
00:37:12> 00:37:14:	It's not an exaggeration to say that racism is built
00:37:14> 00:37:15:	into our built environments.
00:37:16> 00:37:20:	Which makes it in many ways a a place based
00:37:20> 00:37:21:	problem.
00:37:22> 00:37:27:	And a place based problem requires place based solutions.
00:37:32> 00:37:33:	That's where we all come in.
00:37:34> 00:37:37:	And we have got to stop building off of that.
00:37:38> 00:37:40:	Old racist blueprint.
00:37:42> 00:37:45:	Outside of government, I believe this sector and this group
00:37:45> 00:37:47:	here in this room today holds the most important tools
00:37:47> 00:37:50:	for dismantling the racial inequities that we see in every
00:37:50> 00:37:51:	measure of American life.
00:37:52> 00:37:55:	And through your power to shape and implement equitable development.
00:37:56> 00:37:58:	In an American cities for the next 100 years or
00:37:58> 00:37:58:	more.
00:38:00> 00:38:02:	Over the next two days, I encourage you to.
00:38:02> 00:38:04:	Not just think out-of-the-box.
00:38:05> 00:38:07:	But out of your lane?
00:38:08> 00:38:10:	Don't wait to be asked.
00:38:11> 00:38:13:	Insist on being part of the conversation.
00:38:14> 00:38:17:	Insist of others like you come to the table.
00:38:18> 00:38:20:	And insist that everyone at the table.
00:38:21> 00:38:23:	Put on their racial equity lenses.
00:38:26> 00:38:28:	And when you leave here tomorrow, I invite you in
00:38:28> 00:38:29:	the words of.
00:38:29> 00:38:31:	Anthropologist Margaret Mead.
00:38:32> 00:38:35:	To never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed
00:38:35> 00:38:36:	citizens can change the world.
00:38:37> 00:38:40:	Indeed, is the only thing that ever has.
00:38:42> 00:38:43:	Thank you.
00:38:50> 00:38:53:	And now let me introduce Katie Wirtz, who works with
00:38:53> 00:38:57:	Ankara's regional regional teams to explore issues and opportunities in
00:38:57> 00:39:00:	the innovation ecosystems of new markets and with the firms
00:39:00> 00:39:02:	anchor institution partners.
00:39:03> 00:39:06:	With experience and consulting, community development and real estate development,
00:39:06> 00:39:09:	Katie has managed planning and redevelopment efforts across the country.

00:39:10> 00:39:13:	She has over a decade of experience working with anchor
00:39:13> 00:39:16:	institutions, public sector partners and philanthropic organizations.
00:39:17> 00:39:19:	In her previous role at Green Street Limited.
00:39:20> 00:39:23:	Katie played a leading role in developing and implementing the
00:39:23> 00:39:27:	Health District Master Plan in partnership with IU Health, attracting
00:39:27> 00:39:31:	a pipeline of nearly \$750,000,000 in mixed-use development.
00:39:32> 00:39:34:	She led a team of planners and analysts to evaluate
00:39:34> 00:39:38:	an index neighborhoods using market, demographic and physical elements.
00:39:39> 00:39:42:	To determine priority funding needs that allow the city of
00:39:42> 00:39:46:	Indianapolis and partners to make targeted investments tailored to the
00:39:46> 00:39:47:	needs of the community.
00:39:48> 00:39:51:	Building on that work, Katie LED efforts to analyze and
00:39:51> 00:39:54:	index the economic mobility of neighborhoods across Indianapolis.
00:39:55> 00:39:58:	And local cdfi used the index to guide funding for
00:39:58> 00:40:00:	affordable and equitable housing solutions.
00:40:02> 00:40:05:	Katie earned a Bachelor of Urban Planning and Development and
00:40:05> 00:40:08:	Master of Urban and Regional Planning from Ball State University.
00:40:09> 00:40:13:	An active member of ULI, she volunteers with organizations that
00:40:13> 00:40:17:	align with Equitable development, food access and Youth Miss Wertz.
00:40:27> 00:40:28:	Thank you.
00:40:33> 00:40:36:	Good morning. Can everyone hear me? OK, awesome. Alright, well,
00:40:36> 00:40:39:	good morning and thank you all for joining me. My
00:40:39> 00:40:42:	name is Katie Wertz. As Bob said, I'm the vice
00:40:42> 00:40:45:	president of connections and insights with the Ancora partners and
00:40:45> 00:40:49:	previously with Green Street, which I think has a little
00:40:49> 00:40:52:	bit more name recognition here in the Midwest. I was
00:40:52> 00:40:55:	asked to give a brief introduction about what is equitable
00:40:55> 00:40:58:	development and and the folks before me did a really
00:40:58> 00:41:00:	great job, so I feel a little.
00:41:00> 00:41:02:	And prepared, but um.
00:41:03> 00:41:06:	I don't think we've really gotten there yet, and so
00:41:06> 00:41:08:	I didn't really know how to define or even really
00:41:08> 00:41:12:	talk about equitable development. So instead, I decided to

	talk
00:41:12> 00:41:15:	about what we know is definitively not equitable
	development, and
00:41:16> 00:41:18:	hopes that we can shed some light on the practices,
00:41:18> 00:41:22:	both historic and those current practices that are creating
00.44.00 > 00.44.00.	inequalities
00:41:22> 00:41:23:	in our communities.
00:41:25> 00:41:27:	I only have a few minutes and you guys will
00:41:27> 00:41:28: 00:41:28> 00:41:30:	be be happy when I get out of here in
00:41:30> 00:41:30: 00:41:31> 00:41:33:	the panels get started.
00:41:31> 00:41:33: 00:41:34> 00:41:36:	So I'm I'm leaving a lot out.
00:41:36> 00:41:39:	But I hope to set the stage for the our
00:41:39> 00:41:39: 00:41:39> 00:41:42:	our next panel, which is a really good one. I'm
00:41:42> 00:41:46:	going to breeze through some of these talking points. I know that you all are well informed, like minded individuals.
00:41:42> 00:41:48: 00:41:46> 00:41:48:	-
00:41:49> 00:41:49:	I don't need to to change anyone's mind today. Umm.
00:41:51> 00:41:54:	But they're they're numerous, and I'm just going to cover
00:41:54> 00:41:57:	a handful. And and Bob did a good job at
00:41:57> 00:41:57:	
00.41.57> 00.42.02.	introducing them practices that created significant hardships and inequalities, mostly
00:42:02> 00:42:05:	for minorities and other disadvantaged groups.
00:42:06> 00:42:09:	Those groups that didn't fit the cultural norm at the
00:42:09> 00:42:10:	time or or do today.
00:42:12> 00:42:15:	Many of these practices were deliberate, but some, and maybe
00:42:15> 00:42:20:	I'm very naive about this, had altruistic intentions, but
00:42:20> 00:42:23:	unintentionally
00:42:20> 00:42:23: 00:42:24> 00:42:27:	resulted in very negative outcomes for certain groups. It's important that we learn from these. Understand how,
00.42.24> 00.42.27.	even
00:42:27> 00:42:28:	positive.
00:42:29> 00:42:32:	Well intended decisions can have negative consequences
	and I think
00:42:32> 00:42:36:	it's important to think about how our decisions as developers
00:42:36> 00:42:39:	and investors and those in the adjacent industries not only
00:42:39> 00:42:42:	affect our immediate clients or our Ng users, but the
00:42:42> 00:42:45:	folks who live nearby and who live in the broader
00:42:45> 00:42:48:	community and even those of future generations.
00:42:53> 00:42:55:	I'm gonna walk over here and get the advancer that
00:42:56> 00:42:56:	I didn't get.
00:43:00> 00:43:01:	Alright, see if I can do this.
00:43:02> 00:43:02:	Alright.
00:43:03> 00:43:06:	So the city beautiful movement is one of one of

00:43:06> 00:43:10:	those practices that embodies that kind of unintentional consequences at
00:43:10> 00:43:13:	the turn of the century, upper middle class and also
00:43:13> 00:43:16:	most likely white leadership desired to replace.
00:43:18> 00:43:22:	For living conditions with beautiful, well designed monuments. This resulted
00:43:22> 00:43:25:	in the displacement of many lower class families. This is
00:43:25> 00:43:28:	a picture for you folks that aren't from Indianapolis of
00:43:28> 00:43:32:	the World War memorial here in Indianapolis. I couldn't find
00:43:32> 00:43:34:	the picture I was looking for, which is what what
00:43:34> 00:43:37:	was there before, but it was dense housing that would
00:43:37> 00:43:40:	have housed dozens if not hundreds of families at the
00:43:40> 00:43:43:	time that were all displaced to allow for these monuments
00:43:43> 00:43:44:	to exist.
00:43:46> 00:43:48:	This I'm going to cover this quickly and you all
00:43:48> 00:43:50:	are going to be like she's. She's really missed the
00:43:50> 00:43:52:	point on this one, but we all know that. Public
00:43:52> 00:43:53:	policy and segregation.
00:43:55> 00:43:56:	Had very intended.
00:43:58> 00:44:01:	It was very intended to create those inequitable communities. But
00:44:01> 00:44:04:	as the following panel will speak to, the segregation of
00:44:04> 00:44:07:	blacks and whites did have some positive outcomes, at least
00:44:07> 00:44:09:	in the short term, if we want to kind of
00:44:09> 00:44:11:	think about it with our glass half full.
00:44:13> 00:44:16:	This is a picture of the Flanner house homes, also
00:44:16> 00:44:19:	in Indianapolis. We'll touch briefly on this in the next
00:44:19> 00:44:21:	panel as well, but.
00:44:22> 00:44:25:	This these neighborhoods that were set aside for black communities,
00:44:26> 00:44:29:	created home ownership opportunities for those living there. But they
00:44:29> 00:44:33:	did so without the availability of or access to financial
00:44:33> 00:44:36:	capital, forcing many homeowners to invest sweat equity and build
00:44:36> 00:44:39:	homes over time, as they had the resources to do
00:44:39> 00:44:42:	so. And it's been noted as the inspiration for Habitat
00:44:42> 00:44:44:	for Humanity and the practices there.
00:44:46> 00:44:49:	Bob had the same map, and I'm glad he had
00:44:49> 00:44:52:	it. It's probably one of the most well known practices
00:44:52> 00:44:55:	of inequality. It led to the devaluation and destruction of
00:44:55> 00:45:01:	majority minority neighborhoods. Financial institutions, Realtors, public officials, and others

00:45:01> 00:45:05:	worked to systematically reduce the value of black and other
00:45:05> 00:45:09:	minority neighborhoods by deeming them undesirable, unsafe, or risky for
00:45:09> 00:45:09:	investment.
00:45:11> 00:45:12:	This map here from Indianapolis.
00:45:14> 00:45:16:	The area shown as as Bob spoke to still to
00:45:16> 00:45:19:	this day suffer from lower values, concentration of poverty, lack
00:45:19> 00:45:22:	of amenities, and higher crime rates. And I'm going to,
00:45:22> 00:45:24:	I'm going to touch on this a little bit more.
00:45:26> 00:45:29:	And then the urban Interstate system, which I think has
00:45:29> 00:45:32:	been spoken, Bob spoke to as well, has been documented
00:45:32> 00:45:36:	on its impact on neighborhood destruction and inequalities. Federal and
00:45:36> 00:45:39:	local government bodies used the location and construction.
00:45:40> 00:45:44:	Of Interstate highways to wipe out large portions of minority
00:45:44> 00:45:47:	and lower valued neighborhoods, predominantly within the inner city.
00:45:49> 00:45:51:	They did this so in the name of clearing blight
00:45:51> 00:45:54:	and helping to improve their communities. In addition to the
00:45:54> 00:45:58:	homes leveled, the impacts were more widespread, cutting off neighborhoods
00:45:58> 00:46:01:	and creating physical barriers. Those barriers not only didn't allow
00:46:01> 00:46:04:	people to access the amenities and the people and the
00:46:04> 00:46:06:	resources that were available in their community.
00:46:07> 00:46:10:	But they also brought air and noise pollution, and so
00:46:10> 00:46:13:	individuals that we know we know this today, individuals, especially
00:46:13> 00:46:17:	children, living near Interstate systems have higher incidences of breathing
00:46:17> 00:46:21:	problems and other health issues, which speaks to the inequalities
00:46:21> 00:46:22:	created by the Interstate system.
00:46:23> 00:46:25:	These two images that are up on the screen are
00:46:25> 00:46:27:	of the same neighborhood here in Indianapolis.
00:46:28> 00:46:31:	The top is from 1950 pre Interstate and the bottom
00:46:31> 00:46:34:	is 1986 which looks very similar to today. You can
00:46:34> 00:46:37:	see not only there's a loss of homes where the
00:46:37> 00:46:40:	the actual Interstate itself was was placed.
00:46:41> 00:46:41:	Umm.
00:46:43> 00:46:46:	But you can see that there's an increase in vacant
00:46:46> 00:46:49:	land, a disruption in character and a dislocation of people
00:46:49> 00:46:50:	from their communities.

00:46:52> 00:46:55:	Very related, and really part of two halves of the
00:46:56> 00:46:57:	same coin as urban renewal.
00:46:58> 00:47:01:	So, whether intentional or not, urban renewal projects which were
00:47:01> 00:47:04:	aimed at reducing blight conditions in the inner city led
00:47:04> 00:47:08:	to displacement and destruction of communities through systematic removal of
00:47:08> 00:47:11:	community buildings, institutions and homes.
00:47:12> 00:47:14:	Urban renewal led to a lot of vacant land in
00:47:14> 00:47:16:	Indianapolis and this is easily seen in the number of
00:47:16> 00:47:19:	parking lots that we have in our downtown and the
00:47:19> 00:47:21:	inner city neighborhoods that encircle downtown.
00:47:22> 00:47:24:	This is an image from the West side of downtown
00:47:24> 00:47:27:	near Indiana. Indiana Ave, which some of you toured yesterday,
00:47:27> 00:47:30:	but it could be several neighborhoods across the city.
00:47:32> 00:47:35:	And the last piece that's more central to the history
00:47:35> 00:47:39:	of Indianapolis is the establishment of UNIGOV in the 60s
00:47:39> 00:47:40:	and 70s if you're.
00:47:42> 00:47:44:	If you're unaware of it, it was in response to
00:47:44> 00:47:47:	white flight and the reduction in the number of higher
00:47:47> 00:47:50:	income families leaving for the suburban parts of Marion County,
00:47:51> 00:47:53:	which were unincorporated and not part of the city of
00:47:53> 00:47:57:	Indianapolis. This led to worsening conditions in the inner city
00:47:57> 00:47:58:	due to lack of financials.
00:47:59> 00:48:02:	City, County leadership at the time decided that the consolidation
00:48:03> 00:48:05:	of all of Marion County would help to improve those
00:48:05> 00:48:08:	conditions. And I think we could argue today that there's
00:48:08> 00:48:12:	both positive and negative impacts that have happened because of
00:48:12> 00:48:12:	unigov.
00:48:13> 00:48:17:	I have heard that during the financial downturn, kind of
00:48:17> 00:48:19:	of the 70s and 80s, it did help keep downtown
00:48:19> 00:48:23:	in the downtown neighborhoods afloat while they suffered from economic
00:48:23> 00:48:27:	hardship as the downtown began to bounce back and investments
00:48:27> 00:48:30:	were made there. We're now seeing the inverse of that
00:48:30> 00:48:33:	happening and some of our kind of inner ring suburban
00:48:33> 00:48:36:	neighborhoods that are starting to decline or benefiting from being
00:48:36> 00:48:38:	part of the unigov system.

00:48:42> 00:48:45:	Many of you are familiar with the history of Indiana
00:48:45> 00:48:47:	Ave, and for those of you lucky enough to go
00:48:48> 00:48:50:	on the tour yesterday, you'll be more of an expert
00:48:50> 00:48:52:	on this than myself. I I I do not stand
00:48:52> 00:48:55:	to be an expert on it. I just wanted to
00:48:55> 00:48:57:	use it as an example. I thought it would be
00:48:57> 00:49:01:	helpful to talk about how these past practices influence specific
00:49:01> 00:49:02:	set of people here in Indianapolis.
00:49:04> 00:49:04:	Umm.
00:49:05> 00:49:08:	So these images are from the Internet. They've been bouncing
00:49:08> 00:49:10:	around a lot. I'm sure a lot of you have
00:49:10> 00:49:12:	seen them, but here's Indiana Ave during its prime, or
00:49:12> 00:49:15:	maybe slightly after its prime, but you can see how
00:49:15> 00:49:18:	development is still intact. Homes and businesses, along with community
00:49:18> 00:49:22:	institutions, fill each block. Segregation allowed black communities to thrive.
00:49:22> 00:49:26:	Real estate development in particular allowed blacks to accumulate wealth.
00:49:26> 00:49:28:	And the following panel is going to speak to that.
00:49:30> 00:49:32:	But the take away here is that development and communities
00:49:32> 00:49:34:	were thriving, even if it was at the loss of
00:49:34> 00:49:36:	integration and access to white communities.
00:49:37> 00:49:40:	The end of segregation drew a major blow to the
00:49:40> 00:49:40:	Indiana Ave.
00:49:41> 00:49:44:	Middle and upper income blacks left the avenue for other
00:49:44> 00:49:48:	areas with greater economic opportunity, leaving behind those without the
00:49:48> 00:49:49:	resources to do so.
00:49:50> 00:49:53:	That loss of income and wealth forced businesses to close
00:49:53> 00:49:56:	and home values to drop, resulting in areas deemed as
00:49:56> 00:49:59:	blighted and ideal for urban interstates and urban renewal esque
00:49:59> 00:50:00:	projects.
00:50:02> 00:50:05:	By 1979, much of the neighborhood had been destroyed. There's
00:50:05> 00:50:08:	only a handful of buildings left in this once thriving,
00:50:08> 00:50:11:	highly dense neighborhood, and this led to the physical displacement
00:50:11> 00:50:12:	of much of that community.
00:50:14> 00:50:18:	Realizing the opportunity, institutional buyers took ownership of the highly

00:50:18> 00:50:22:	depressed land, allowing them to expand their campuses, causing another
00:50:22> 00:50:25:	wave of displacement more attuned to a cultural displacement. For
00:50:25> 00:50:28:	the community that remained, it was now surrounded by likely
00:50:28> 00:50:32:	white middle and upper class university students, hospital employees and
00:50:32> 00:50:35:	visitors that had very little in common with the historic
00:50:35> 00:50:38:	Indiana Ave community and its descendants.
00:50:39> 00:50:42:	Today, or is reflected here in this picture in 2019,
00:50:42> 00:50:46:	we have development that is not geared towards that Community,
00:50:46> 00:50:49:	but to students, medical professionals and the likes.
00:50:50> 00:50:51:	As.
00:50:51> 00:50:54:	As we as the community of Indianapolis and others invested
00:50:54> 00:50:58:	in Indiana Ave come to understand these impacts more profoundly,
00:50:58> 00:51:00:	it's my hope that we can resurrect the essence.
00:51:01> 00:51:04:	And community that once existed beyond the references to the
00:51:04> 00:51:08:	Jazz culture or their similarly non impactful initiatives.
00:51:08> 00:51:10:	A panel later today is going to focus on the
00:51:10> 00:51:14:	future of equitable development, and it will be that discussion
00:51:14> 00:51:17:	that hopefully changes how we perceive and intervene in communities
00:51:17> 00:51:18:	like Indiana Ave.
00:51:20> 00:51:23:	And that leads us up to contemporary times.
00:51:25> 00:51:27:	And I don't want anyone to walk away from anything
00:51:27> 00:51:30:	that I've said thinking that we're, we're doing, we're doing
00:51:30> 00:51:33:	everything right, that we've done a really good job, that
00:51:33> 00:51:35:	this is in the past, that these practices no longer
00:51:35> 00:51:35:	exist.
00:51:37> 00:51:40:	Sadly, that's not the case. So I wanted to highlight
00:51:40> 00:51:43:	a few modern practices that we've been working working with
00:51:44> 00:51:46:	at Green Street and Acora that on the surface may
00:51:47> 00:51:51:	seem potentially harmless but are creating inequities for many individuals,
00:51:51> 00:51:53:	families, and communities.
00:51:55> 00:51:58:	Over 100 years ago as a country, we passed the
00:51:58> 00:52:01:	first zoning ordinance, which as an urban planner is very
00:52:01> 00:52:04:	exciting. I can tell you the role of zoning then
00:52:04> 00:52:07:	was to protect individuals from health and safety issues. So
00:52:07> 00:52:10:	think not wanting to build your house next to a

00:52:10> 00:52:14:	slaughterhouse and other and other circumstances like that.
00:52:15> 00:52:17:	As I mentioned before, there was a degree of doing
00:52:17> 00:52:19:	the right thing mixed with poor intentions, and zoning is
00:52:19> 00:52:20:	one of those.
00:52:21> 00:52:24:	But today, the role of zoning is primarily one of
00:52:24> 00:52:27:	property value protection, and in the name of protecting Community
00:52:27> 00:52:31:	character I've heard too many times throughout the last decade,
00:52:31> 00:52:33:	we don't want to build that type of housing because
00:52:33> 00:52:37:	it will attract those people. Those people have different connotations
00:52:37> 00:52:39:	to each community that I've worked in.
00:52:40> 00:52:43:	What this does ultimately, though, is limit the amount and
00:52:43> 00:52:45:	types of housing that can be built in a community.
00:52:46> 00:52:48:	And I will let you all read this. I think
00:52:48> 00:52:50:	this is a great quote that really summarizes.
00:52:52> 00:52:55:	Where we are today and those impacts that zoning has
00:52:55> 00:52:59:	on housing, but what we're doing is building far less
00:52:59> 00:53:02:	housing in the most successful, best educated parts of the
00:53:02> 00:53:06:	country, which causes housing prices to rise much higher than
00:53:06> 00:53:09:	they need to be, and that excludes people.
00:53:09> 00:53:12:	So people with modest means are being kept from the
00:53:12> 00:53:16:	high opportunity communities, further exacerbating inequalities and contributing to the
00:53:16> 00:53:17:	cycle of poverty.
00:53:19> 00:53:23:	It's estimated that the shortage of justice affordable housing, not
00:53:23> 00:53:26:	the shortage of housing for anyone earning above 80% AMI,
00:53:26> 00:53:30:	is costing the US approximately \$2 billion in lower wages
00:53:30> 00:53:31:	and lost productivity.
00:53:32> 00:53:35:	We're allowing the rights and desires of a select few
00:53:35> 00:53:38:	to negatively impact us all. We must take a serious
00:53:38> 00:53:41:	look at zoning ordinances, development standards, and the processes that
00:53:42> 00:53:45:	govern them through the lens of social and economic equality
00:53:45> 00:53:46:	if we want to change course.
00:53:47> 00:53:51:	Another practice I wanted to highlight was urban redevelopment.
00:53:52> 00:53:54:	This is a complicated and multifaceted problem.
00:53:55> 00:53:57:	Maybe it's an opportunity. I'm not sure how we actually
00:53:58> 00:54:00:	categorize it. And many of you in the room are
00:54:00> 00:54:02:	probably involved in some way shape or form with with

00:54:02> 00:54:03:	redevelopment.
00:54:03> 00:54:07:	But redevelopment that is sold for higher income homes, higher
00:54:07> 00:54:11:	income households is reducing access to affordable, attainable housing and
00:54:11> 00:54:13:	many of our high opportunity neighborhoods.
00:54:14> 00:54:18:	It leads to physical displacement, conversion of lower cost rental
00:54:18> 00:54:21:	units to high end sale homes, as well as slower
00:54:21> 00:54:24:	means like increasing property taxes and other similar issues that
00:54:24> 00:54:26:	compound for a family overtime.
00:54:27> 00:54:30:	It also leads to cultural displacement as more homes are
00:54:30> 00:54:33:	filled with people that are unlike the existing residents. Amenities
00:54:33> 00:54:36:	and businesses come in that are better suited to the
00:54:36> 00:54:39:	new residents, and a feeling of uncomfortableness or loss of
00:54:39> 00:54:42:	community can lead to existing neighbors to flee.
00:54:43> 00:54:45:	Again, I wanted to highlight a real world example here
00:54:45> 00:54:48:	from Indianapolis. This is a house in Fountain Square.
00:54:49> 00:54:51:	As of last week or so, when I put this
00:54:51> 00:54:55:	together, it probably isn't on market anymore. What am I
00:54:55> 00:54:58:	talking about? But it was listed for \$175,000. So very
00:54:58> 00:55:02:	basic math tells us that this home is affordable or
00:55:02> 00:55:05:	attainable to at least one out of every two households
00:55:05> 00:55:09:	in Marion County. So it's a very affordable place to
00:55:09> 00:55:09:	live.
00:55:11> 00:55:14:	This next house is also for sale just two blocks
00:55:14> 00:55:18:	away. It's listed for \$799,000. It's slightly larger, but not
00:55:18> 00:55:21:	significantly so. It is affordable to just one out of
00:55:21> 00:55:24:	every 20 households in Marion County.
00:55:25> 00:55:27:	And I want to make it clear that I have
00:55:27> 00:55:30:	nothing against this House or the people that developed it
00:55:30> 00:55:33:	or the people that choose to live in it. I
00:55:33> 00:55:36:	only wanted to highlight how our role as developers impact
00:55:36> 00:55:38:	more than just our end client, and that we play
00:55:38> 00:55:42:	a role in that our decisions have unintended much further
00:55:42> 00:55:43:	producing consequences.
00:55:45> 00:55:48:	On this next slide, and before I talk about it,
00:55:48> 00:55:50:	I want to put a plug in for the UI.
00:55:50> 00:55:53:	I believe it's called the building healthy Places Book Club.
00:55:53> 00:55:56:	It introduced me to numerous books and authors that helped
00:55:56> 00:56:00:	shape my understanding of social justice and social equity

	issues.
00:56:00> 00:56:02:	So I highly recommend it if you want to expose
00:56:03> 00:56:05:	yourself even more than you do already to those types
00:56:05> 00:56:06:	of topics.
00:56:07> 00:56:10:	So with that said, one of the most recent books
00:56:10> 00:56:12:	was a book called Know Your Price valuing Black Lives
00:56:12> 00:56:15:	and Property in America's Black Cities. It's written by Andre
00:56:16> 00:56:18:	Perry, who is also a fellow at Brookings and is
00:56:18> 00:56:21:	well known for his thoughts on race, structural inequalities and
00:56:21> 00:56:22:	education.
00:56:23> 00:56:26:	But the book brings together hard data alongside personal experiences
00:56:26> 00:56:29:	of the devaluation of black neighborhoods and individuals.
00:56:30> 00:56:32:	This data is from the Brookings site, and it shows
00:56:32> 00:56:35:	the majority white neighborhoods in Indianapolis have values nearly two
00:56:35> 00:56:38:	times higher than majority black neighborhoods.
00:56:38> 00:56:41:	A difference on average of \$112,000.
00:56:43> 00:56:47:	Brookings estimates that cumulative loss across the entire country at
00:56:47> 00:56:51:	\$156 billion in potential wealth accumulation for black homeowners.
00:56:52> 00:56:54:	Again, this is one part of a larger issue that
00:56:54> 00:56:58:	maintains the status quo, keeping minorities and other lower wealth
00:56:58> 00:57:00:	groups stuck in a cycle of poverty with very little
00:57:01> 00:57:03:	hope of escape and ability to climb the economic ladder.
00:57:05> 00:57:08:	And this slide and Vox kind of already talked about
00:57:08> 00:57:11:	this. I apologize, I'll go quickly through it, but this,
00:57:11> 00:57:14:	this map is part of a larger analysis we did
00:57:14> 00:57:18:	looking at the access to affordable housing across Indianapolis.
00:57:18> 00:57:21:	The map shows in the dark shaded areas, areas of
00:57:21> 00:57:26:	higher economic mobility, so places that have, among other things,
00:57:26> 00:57:30:	better access to high quality schools, quality childcare, lower crime
00:57:30> 00:57:33:	rates and other and other factors.
00:57:33> 00:57:37:	If you're familiar with indie and you're paying attention while
00:57:37> 00:57:39:	Bob spoke, this will not come as a shock to
00:57:39> 00:57:42:	you. It really looks like the inverse of OPS redlining
00:57:42> 00:57:42:	map.
00:57:43> 00:57:46:	But what we found was that there was higher competition

00:57:47> 00:57:50:	for housing in areas with high economic mobility scores. So
00:57:50> 00:57:53:	what we found was that there were people spending less
00:57:53> 00:57:56:	than, you know, the typical 30% of their income, but
00:57:56> 00:57:59:	there were also people spending more. And so that pressure
00:57:59> 00:58:03:	creates a situation where what was once potentially an affordable
00:58:03> 00:58:05:	area is no longer affordable.
00:58:07> 00:58:11:	Further problem furthering the problem is unequal distribution of subsidized
00:58:11> 00:58:14:	housing construction across the city. And what I mean by
00:58:15> 00:58:18:	subsidized housing is those that have received federal, local or
00:58:18> 00:58:21:	state subsidies to reduce the the cost to the individual
00:58:21> 00:58:24:	buyer or renter. Over the last 10 years, 24% more
00:58:24> 00:58:28:	subsidized units have been built in areas with low economic
00:58:28> 00:58:30:	viability than in high mobility areas.
00:58:31> 00:58:35:	Without the constant, without the connection to jobs, transportation, childcare
00:58:35> 00:58:38:	and educational opportunities that are found in economically mobile neighborhoods
00:58:38> 00:58:41:	like those shown on this map, low and moderate income
00:58:41> 00:58:44:	families have less opportunity to climb the economic ladder.
00:58:46> 00:58:49:	A numerous studies, but the most well known is by
00:58:49> 00:58:52:	Harvard University and led by leading economist Raj Chetty. It's
00:58:52> 00:58:56:	in reference to the federal program moving to opportunity. It
00:58:56> 00:58:59:	looked at the economic mobility of a cohort of children
00:58:59> 00:59:02:	over 30 or so year. And what they found was
00:59:02> 00:59:05:	that children living in low economic areas born into low
00:59:05> 00:59:06:	wealth families.
00:59:07> 00:59:10:	Found it very difficult to move up the economic ladder
00:59:10> 00:59:13:	compared to kids that moved into highly economically mobile areas,
00:59:13> 00:59:16:	which were more likely and easily more easily moved up
00:59:16> 00:59:17:	the economic ladder.
00:59:18> 00:59:21:	A comparison study completed by the police center here in
00:59:21> 00:59:24:	Indianapolis and some of the results are shown here. They're
00:59:24> 00:59:26:	a little difficult to see, I apologize.
00:59:27> 00:59:30:	Found that the average black child born in Indianapolis earns
00:59:30> 00:59:33:	\$9000 less than the average white child. Children born to
00:59:33> 00:59:36:	low income families are more likely to live in economically
00:59:36> 00:59:37:	challenged areas.
00:59:39> 00:59:41:	Earn about half of what a child born into a
00:59:41> 00:59:42:	high income family would earn.

00:59:44> 00:59:46:	Kids born into families are more likely to stay poor,
00:59:46> 00:59:48:	and those statistics are worse for minorities.
00:59:50> 00:59:52:	And all this leads to lower life expectancy. As we
00:59:52> 00:59:55:	know, the social determinants of health greatly impact how long
00:59:55> 00:59:57:	and the quality of life that you have.
00:59:59> 01:00:02:	You can see on this map where the red dots
01:00:02> 01:00:06:	indicate lower life expectancy and the green dots indicate longer.
01:00:06> 01:00:09:	The the red dots align very well with areas historically
01:00:09> 01:00:13:	and presently affected by inequitable practices that bought.
01:00:14> 01:00:17:	So, well highlighted. I was gonna mention that we could
01:00:17> 01:00:21:	overlay the Interstate maps, the redlining map, the economic mobility
01:00:21> 01:00:23:	map that I just talked about, and you would see
01:00:23> 01:00:25:	a trend, but Bob beat me to it.
01:00:27> 01:00:30:	The inner city neighborhoods that make up central Indianapolis have
01:00:30> 01:00:33:	been negatively impacted by the choices, preferences and practices of
01:00:33> 01:00:36:	people in power, which include developers, investors and the associated
01:00:36> 01:00:38:	industries represented by UI.
01:00:39> 01:00:42:	And I'm not an inspirational speaker, and I would say
01:00:42> 01:00:45:	my glass is often half empty. But I hope today's
01:00:45> 01:00:48:	conversation spark each and everyone of you to pause and
01:00:49> 01:00:52:	think about how your decisions, both personal and professional, may
01:00:52> 01:00:55:	impact someone else's ability to thrive.
01:00:55> 01:00:58:	I think that moment of empathy may have a very
01:00:58> 01:01:00:	real and long lasting impact to the communities where we
01:01:01> 01:01:03:	live and work, and if enough of us begin to
01:01:03> 01:01:05:	think this way, we can begin to understand what is
01:01:05> 01:01:06:	equitable development.
01:01:07> 01:01:10:	Thank you again for your time and attention this morning
01:01:10> 01:01:11:	and please enjoy the rest of the conference.
01:01:22> 01:01:25:	And I think my panelists are going to join me
01:01:25> 01:01:27:	up on stage who give us just a second.
01:01:42> 01:01:45:	While they're walking up, I will go ahead and introduce
01:01:45> 01:01:47:	them so we can keep rolling along. First we have
01:01:48> 01:01:51:	Scarlet Andrews. You all have everyone's bio, so I'm only
01:01:51> 01:01:53:	going to briefly give you their titles, but is the
01:01:53> 01:01:57:	director of the Department of Metropolitan Development here

	in Indianapolis.
01:01:57> 01:02:00:	We have Aaron Williams to her left. He represents the
01:02:00> 01:02:03:	Northside Community Housing in St. Louis, MO. And on our
01:02:03> 01:02:06:	end we have Brandon Powell, who is the VP of
01:02:06> 01:02:08:	Business Development at Chatham Park Development.
01:02:08> 01:02:12:	Here in Indianapolis, and I'm going to turn the clicker
01:02:12> 01:02:14:	over to Brandon, not to Brandon, to Aaron.
01:02:16> 01:02:19:	To give us a little background on where we've been
01:02:19> 01:02:20:	as a community.
01:02:22> 01:02:23:	Your first slide, yeah.
01:02:24> 01:02:26:	Is that my first name? Oh, there we go. OK.
01:02:28> 01:02:29:	Hi everyone.
01:02:31> 01:02:34:	So now that we've gone through.
01:02:35> 01:02:39:	Everything that I hope everyone knew before she shared it
01:02:39> 01:02:39:	with you.
01:02:40> 01:02:43:	And quite honestly, shame on us if we didn't know
01:02:43> 01:02:44:	it at this point.
01:02:46> 01:02:50:	I want to try to recenter the conversation about individuals,
01:02:50> 01:02:53:	particularly black people, black women.
01:02:54> 01:02:58:	And how they navigate this industry called land use and
01:02:58> 01:02:59:	development.
01:03:00> 01:03:05:	Because in this quest for equity, we have to.
01:03:06> 01:03:09:	Find equity for communities, but we also have to find
01:03:09> 01:03:10:	equity for.
01:03:11> 01:03:14:	Individuals with the entrepreneurial spirit who want to build their
01:03:14> 01:03:17:	communities, right? We have to build, we have to empower
01:03:17> 01:03:20:	their communities and we have to empower them.
01:03:21> 01:03:23:	So I wanted to start by.
01:03:25> 01:03:27:	1st acknowledging 3 women.
01:03:29> 01:03:31:	My guess would be that you know one of them,
01:03:32> 01:03:33:	especially if you're from Indiana.
01:03:36> 01:03:39:	What's on the screen are three of the four first
01:03:39> 01:03:43:	African American female millionaires in the United States.
01:03:44> 01:03:47:	If you're from Indiana, I'm sure you've been told that
01:03:47> 01:03:48:	there was one.
01:03:49> 01:03:53:	Self-made African American female millionaire that is on the
	left
01:03:53> 01:03:56:	of the screen. Madam CJ Walker.
01:03:56> 01:03:57:	But in fact.
01:03:58> 01:03:59:	There were three before her.
01:04:01> 01:04:02:	Mary Ellen pleasant.
01:04:03> 01:04:03:	Annie Malone.

01:04:04> 01:04:06:	And also Bridget Mason.
01:04:07> 01:04:10:	I've chosen these three these three to talk about because
01:04:10> 01:04:13:	it's relevant to our conversation about land use and real
01:04:13> 01:04:14:	estate development.
01:04:15> 01:04:19:	So first there is Mary Ellen Pleasant, who amassed her
01:04:19> 01:04:23:	wealth during the California Gold Rush in San Francisco.
01:04:25> 01:04:28:	She opened a chains of a chain of laundry shops
01:04:28> 01:04:31:	and luxury boarding houses for white men mainly.
01:04:32> 01:04:35:	And it made silent investments in real estate ventures and
01:04:35> 01:04:38:	banking. In fact, she invested in Wells Fargo when it
01:04:38> 01:04:39:	first started.
01:04:40> 01:04:41:	And a lot of people don't know that.
01:04:43> 01:04:47:	Her net worth at the peak of her wealth was
01:04:47> 01:04:53:	roughly \$30 million, and that is about \$864 million today.
01:04:55> 01:04:57:	Next is.
01:04:58> 01:05:01:	I'm sorry. And I mentioned that she she amassed her
01:05:01> 01:05:04:	wealth in real estate. Right next is Annie Malone.
01:05:05> 01:05:09:	Annie Turnbull Malone born in Metropolis, IL.
01:05:10> 01:05:14:	Became the matriarch of a black neighborhood in St. Louis,
01:05:14> 01:05:15:	MO, called the Ville.
01:05:17> 01:05:21:	What's special about Annie Malone, and relevant to this conversation
01:05:21> 01:05:24:	as we sit in Indiana, is she discovered Madam CJ
01:05:24> 01:05:27:	Walker when Madam CJ Walker was just Sarah Breedlove in
01:05:27> 01:05:30:	the Black neighborhood of Saint Louis Mill Creek Valley.
01:05:31> 01:05:36:	Annie Malone had already begun to build her cosmetology empire,
01:05:36> 01:05:39:	and she trained Madam CJ Walker to be one of
01:05:39> 01:05:40:	her salespeople.
01:05:42> 01:05:46:	Annie Malone's wealth at or her net worth at the
01:05:46> 01:05:49:	peak of her wealth was \$14 million.
01:05:50> 01:05:52:	And then you have Madam CJ Walker.
01:05:52> 01:05:57:	Who obviously amassed great wealth and contributed to community development
01:05:57> 01:05:58:	here in Indiana.
01:06:00> 01:06:02:	I probably need to say at least about her, because.
01:06:03> 01:06:05:	LeBron James already told her story, right?
01:06:06> 01:06:09:	Ohh, but at the peak of her wealth, she was
01:06:09> 01:06:12:	worth about \$9 million, at least on record.
01:06:13> 01:06:14:	Each of these women.
01:06:17> 01:06:20:	Played a role in real estate development as well.
01:06:22> 01:06:24:	They all had their trophy properties.

01:06:25> 01:06:26:	Right and.
01:06:28> 01:06:31:	Their trophy properties were more than just a piece of
01:06:32> 01:06:35:	
01:06:35> 01:06:39:	land or real estate. They were really anchors to communities
	and community development. So on the top right you have
01:06:39> 01:06:42:	what was called the Black City Hall, which was Mary
01:06:42> 01:06:44:	Ellen Pleasants mansion.
01:06:46> 01:06:49:	She paid \$100,000 to build it. They had 34 rooms
01:06:49> 01:06:49:	in it.
01:06:50> 01:06:53:	And it was the safe space for black politicians and
01:06:53> 01:06:57:	black leaders to come and organize on how to improve
01:06:57> 01:06:59:	the American experience for black people.
01:07:01> 01:07:04:	She built it not just for herself, but to empower
01:07:04> 01:07:07:	a community out of this home. Not only did she
01:07:07> 01:07:11:	amass her wealth, but she also funded John Brown's raid
01:07:11> 01:07:15:	on Harpers Ferry, which is my favorite slave rebellion because
01:07:15> 01:07:16:	it was led by white dude.
01:07:17> 01:07:19:	But funded by a black woman.
01:07:20> 01:07:23:	But also, like I said, she invested in Wells Fargo
01:07:23> 01:07:26:	and a lot of other small ventures, and in fact,
01:07:26> 01:07:30:	African Americans knew her as the funder of black people.
01:07:30> 01:07:33:	If you needed something as an African American, you could
01:07:33> 01:07:35:	call and Mary Ellen Pleasant.
01:07:36> 01:07:38:	To support you, and she would always do so.
01:07:39> 01:07:43:	Below that you have what was called the hub of
01:07:43> 01:07:47:	the Ville that was constructed by Annie Malone 1918 Poro
01:07:47> 01:07:51:	College. This building was over 100,000 square feet.
01:07:54> 01:07:57:	The first part was constructed, like I said, in 1918,
01:07:58> 01:08:02:	cost her \$350,000, and then immediately after that in 1920,
01:08:02> 01:08:05:	she pulled the second part that was \$150,000.
01:08:07> 01:08:10:	This was where all or most commerce for the Ville
01:08:11> 01:08:15:	and Black Saint Louis took place. After, you know, Mill
01:08:15> 01:08:19:	Creek Valley, another black neighborhood in Saint Louis
	began to
01:08:20> 01:08:20:	deteriorate.
01:08:21> 01:08:25:	She built her facility for her business, but also to
01:08:25> 01:08:28:	support the black community. So real estate to her, again
01:08:28> 01:08:32:	like Mary Ellen Pleasant, was about community development, not just
01:08:32> 01:08:36:	about generating your own wealth. And then to the left,
01:08:36> 01:08:39:	of course, you have Walker Theater, which a lot of
01:08:39> 01:08:43:	us are already familiar with, which was the Black entertainment

01:08:43> 01:08:47:	headquarters for Indianapolis on Indiana Ave that Katie just talked
01:08:47> 01:08:48:	about.
01:08:49> 01:08:52:	Unfortunately, Madam CJ Walker never got to walk these halls
01:08:52> 01:08:56:	because she died while it was under construction. But like
01:08:56> 01:08:58:	the hub of the Ville and poor old college and
01:08:58> 01:09:01:	Black City Hall, it was built to support a community,
01:09:01> 01:09:03:	not just to support herself.
01:09:04> 01:09:08:	So with that, as we walk through this history, I
01:09:08> 01:09:10:	I wanted to talk about.
01:09:11> 01:09:12:	How were these women able?
01:09:13> 01:09:17:	To succeed in navigating a very racist and exclusive and
01:09:17> 01:09:22:	segregated real estate industry during their time, what can we
01:09:22> 01:09:26:	learn from them and how can we use their experience
01:09:26> 01:09:31:	and experiences afterward to empower more black people, people of
01:09:31> 01:09:35:	color, black women to rebuild their communities?
01:09:37> 01:09:37:	Ohh.
01:09:39> 01:09:43:	Well, this is the veil. I'm sorry. Historic Black neighborhood
01:09:43> 01:09:46:	in Saint Louis. I'm just gonna breeze through this. This
01:09:46> 01:09:49:	is where Annie Malone goes. Her empire. She was known
01:09:49> 01:09:51:	as the matriarch of the Ville, but we'll get back
01:09:51> 01:09:52:	to that.
01:09:54> 01:09:57:	This is just a picture aerial view of.
01:09:58> 01:10:01:	The veal centering Homer G Phillips hospital.
01:10:03> 01:10:05:	Which, between the 30s and the 60s, was the most
01:10:06> 01:10:09:	important black hospital in the United States, training more doctors
01:10:09> 01:10:12:	and nurses than any other hospital in the world when
01:10:12> 01:10:14:	Homer G Phillips was constructed.
01:10:15> 01:10:18:	1937 you see that the Ville was a densely populated
01:10:18> 01:10:19:	community.
01:10:20> 01:10:23:	But then you go over to the right where homers
01:10:23> 01:10:27:	Phillips still stands now as a senior living facility, and
01:10:27> 01:10:31:	you can see that most of the Ville neighborhood has
01:10:31> 01:10:33:	been demolished and is really.
01:10:34> 01:10:38:	A skeleton of what it used to be.
01:10:42> 01:10:45:	And next to his one other thing that happened out
01:10:45> 01:10:48:	of the Ville that I think fits into this policy
01:10:48> 01:10:54:	history that Katie already already shared racial restrictive covenants, so.

01:10:55> 01:10:57:	Really? On the eve of?
01:10:58> 01:11:02:	The zoning ordinance and in Saint Louis, the segregation
	ordinance,
01:11:02> 01:11:05:	the white community began to realize that they weren't going
01:11:05> 01:11:10:	to have much success institutionalized and segregation. So they begin
01:11:10> 01:11:14:	creating these things called neighborhood associations, which we love so
01:11:14> 01:11:14:	much now.
01:11:15> 01:11:18:	They created these neighborhood associations really to write.
01:11:19> 01:11:21:	D restrictions into.
01:11:21> 01:11:23:	Home cell covenants.
01:11:24> 01:11:28:	And the main was one was restrictive covenants where it
01:11:28> 01:11:33:	prevented a white homeowner from selling their property to Jews,
01:11:33> 01:11:33:	Hispanics.
01:11:35> 01:11:38:	People of Asian descent and most importantly, African Americans.
01:11:39> 01:11:42:	This experience really defined.
01:11:42> 01:11:45:	The boundaries of the field and the experience of the
01:11:45> 01:11:49:	villain. In fact, the Supreme Court case that banned racial
01:11:49> 01:11:53:	restrictive covenants across the United States is also in the
01:11:53> 01:11:56:	Ville neighborhood and that's the Shelly House from the Shelly
01:11:56> 01:12:00:	versus Kramer Supreme Court case. So where that that those
01:12:00> 01:12:03:	policy decisions really define the neighborhood, it was also the
01:12:03> 01:12:04:	neighborhood that.
01:12:05> 01:12:06:	Defeated.
01:12:06> 01:12:08:	Those racist policy decisions?
01:12:09> 01:12:09:	OK.
01:12:10> 01:12:14:	Maybe you guys could help answer some questions or talk
01:12:14> 01:12:17:	through what has changed over the last 100 or so
01:12:17> 01:12:21:	years that today doesn't allow minorities and women to have
01:12:21> 01:12:24:	the same success in the real estate industry.
01:12:29> 01:12:30:	Anyone?
01:12:30> 01:12:31:	Well.
01:12:32> 01:12:36:	I'll I'll, I'll speak if no one else wants to
01:12:36> 01:12:37:	speak so.
01:12:38> 01:12:40:	When I look at it, I I start with the
01:12:40> 01:12:44:	experience of Annie Malone or Mayor Mary Ellen Pleasant. The
01:12:44> 01:12:47:	reason they were so successful is because they were in

01:12:47> 01:12:50:	segregated communities that were really less regulated, right?
01:12:51> 01:12:54:	Why people push them off to their area and say
01:12:54> 01:12:57:	we don't care what you do over there, we just
01:12:57> 01:13:00:	don't want you involved with us and that allowed them
01:13:00> 01:13:01:	to really.
01:13:01> 01:13:05:	Employ their wealth to build their communities and support their
01:13:05> 01:13:05:	people.
01:13:06> 01:13:07:	Once.
01:13:09> 01:13:13:	Integration began to happen really by force. I think that
01:13:13> 01:13:17:	the American response to that was to over regulate and
01:13:17> 01:13:21:	codify the whole land use and development experience which began
01:13:21> 01:13:25:	to push out African Americans and prevent the the creation
01:13:25> 01:13:28:	of the next Madam CJ Walker or the next Annie
01:13:28> 01:13:31:	Malone. So if you run through all of the history
01:13:32> 01:13:35:	that Katie shared with us, that was really the process
01:13:35> 01:13:39:	of excluding African Americans all the way up until.
01:13:39> 01:13:44:	Basically the civil rights movement in the black power movement
01:13:44> 01:13:48:	when when black communities began to demand that they do
01:13:48> 01:13:52:	have control of of their communities. I think that's how
01:13:52> 01:13:55:	we got there and we'll follow up and talk about
01:13:55> 01:13:59:	post 60s too. What happened then after we hear from
01:13:59> 01:14:00:	my Co panelist.
01:14:05> 01:14:06:	Can we?
01:14:06> 01:14:07:	Pull up the slides, please.
01:14:14> 01:14:17:	Well, thank you. And I, I first want to acknowledge
01:14:17> 01:14:19:	that I had a lot of support and kind of
01:14:19> 01:14:23:	putting together some resources for this presentation DMD archivist Jordan
01:14:23> 01:14:26:	Ryan, which I believe is here today, as well as
01:14:26> 01:14:29:	my colleagues at DMD, Hannah Thomas and Lorenzo Gplay. I
01:14:29> 01:14:33:	don't have the same lived experience or inherited experience as
01:14:33> 01:14:35:	my black and brown peers do, but I think in
01:14:35> 01:14:39:	my position as director of the Department of Metropolitan Development
01:14:39> 01:14:40:	at our major.
01:14:40> 01:14:43:	Meridian, Capital of Indiana, I think it's important to speak
01:14:43> 01:14:45:	to some of these things. And I also want to
01:14:45> 01:14:49:	acknowledge that I'm going to take some broad strokes. I'm

01:14:49> 01:14:51:	going to bring it out macro a bit, but I
01:14:51> 01:14:53:	think it's going to bring it back around and allow
01:14:54> 01:14:56:	us to talk some more about, I think, access to
01:14:56> 01:15:00:	capital, entrepreneurship and women and black women in particular in
01:15:00> 01:15:03:	real estate development and and in real estate in general.
01:15:05> 01:15:07:	So and I, I will just say some of my
01:15:07> 01:15:12:	slides are pretty disturbing from the get go. Indianapolis is
01:15:12> 01:15:15:	kind of a tale of two cities in many ways.
01:15:16> 01:15:20:	In the early 20th century, the Klan began to really
01:15:20> 01:15:22:	gain a lot of power. Not that they had not
01:15:22> 01:15:25:	already picked up a lot of steam before then, but
01:15:26> 01:15:29:	by the 20s you had over 250,000 members of the
01:15:29> 01:15:32:	Klan in Indiana, which is 1/3 of all white men
01:15:32> 01:15:35:	in the state. And that started to permeate a lot
01:15:35> 01:15:38:	of power in state government and local government in our
01:15:38> 01:15:43:	representation in Washington, DC and the governor's office and in
01:15:43> 01:15:44:	the mayor's office.
01:15:45> 01:15:48:	And in the City County Council. So to look here
01:15:48> 01:15:51:	locally, we had a a mayor for one year, John
01:15:51> 01:15:55:	Duvall. This is his first and and presumably only annual
01:15:55> 01:15:59:	municipal dinner dance, as you can see, largely supported by
01:16:00> 01:16:03:	Klan members at the Columbia club. He was ousted from
01:16:03> 01:16:07:	the mayor's office not because of being racist or those
01:16:07> 01:16:12:	practices, but actually because of other corrupt practices in terms
01:16:12> 01:16:15:	of bribery. Bribery for votes, but just.
01:16:15> 01:16:18:	An example, because he went on after being mayor and
01:16:18> 01:16:21:	even after being ousted to be very successful in real
01:16:21> 01:16:24:	estate development and in banking, and even started one of
01:16:24> 01:16:27:	the city's first suburban banks, Hobel bank.
01:16:30> 01:16:33:	And again, I'm going to take some broad strokes and
01:16:33> 01:16:38:	acknowledge that. But starting in the early 20th century, restrictive
01:16:38> 01:16:44:	zoning practices, including a local restrictive ordinance that enforced segregation
01:16:44> 01:16:49:	in 1926, as well as redlining practices, restrictive deeds, restrictive
01:16:49> 01:16:54:	covenants, enforced residential segregation. And into the 50s and 60s,
01:16:54> 01:16:57:	this looked a little more covert, but just as powerful
01:16:58> 01:17:00:	and through blockbusting practices.

01:17:00> 01:17:04:	Through real estate and banking practices. And this map that
01:17:04> 01:17:08:	I'm about to show is from the Indianapolis Chamber of
01:17:08> 01:17:11:	Commerce. And and again, we've looked at quite a few
01:17:11> 01:17:14:	maps this morning. So, so I'm hoping this one can
01:17:15> 01:17:19:	can reinforce or demonstrate something new. So this is
	demonstrating
01:17:19> 01:17:23:	the concentration of black residency in Indianapolis in 1946.
01:17:24> 01:17:29:	And they juxtaposed this with areas of quote, economic drain.
01:17:29> 01:17:32:	And I think the the areas that that perhaps aren't
01:17:32> 01:17:37:	represented on the previous map, the the larger version that
01:17:37> 01:17:43:	show black residency here are actually additional neighborhoods that represent
01:17:43> 01:17:46:	other people of color or ethnic minorities in the city
01:17:47> 01:17:49:	or or whites. And so you can kind of see
01:17:50> 01:17:55:	where, if you're familiar with Indianapolis, things like urban renewal.
01:17:55> 01:17:59:	And the highway system really overlay very cleanly on top
01:17:59> 01:18:01:	of these areas of quote, economic drain.
01:18:02> 01:18:06:	And so again, just underscoring the decisions that we made
01:18:06> 01:18:10:	throughout the 20th century, but especially up until the civil
01:18:10> 01:18:15:	rights era that very intentionally from a government and banking
01:18:15> 01:18:19:	industry and real estate industry perspective reinforce.
01:18:19> 01:18:24:	The residential segregation, but also lack of opportunity and
	access
01:18:24> 01:18:25:	to quality housing.
01:18:27> 01:18:29:	And and you know as you know something that I
01:18:29> 01:18:32:	think is reflected in our city today and I can
01:18:32> 01:18:35:	talk more about some of our work at DMD. And
01:18:35> 01:18:39:	that effect is the lack overall of quality affordable housing
01:18:39> 01:18:42:	and not just affordable housing, lack of quality housing and
01:18:42> 01:18:46:	not enough supply throughout our city and that is both
01:18:46> 01:18:49:	for rental and home ownership. The the photo here is,
01:18:49> 01:18:52:	is a photo of Lockfield gardens. This is one of
01:18:52> 01:18:55:	the nation's first federally funded public housing.
01:18:55> 01:18:58:	Projects it was opened in 1938.
01:18:58> 01:19:02:	Closed in 1976 and was redeveloped in the 1980s. Today,
01:19:02> 01:19:05:	only seven of the original buildings remain of the whole
01:19:06> 01:19:08:	24, and as you may know, this is close to
01:19:08> 01:19:12:	Indiana Ave. It was an example of an opportunity for
01:19:12> 01:19:16:	quality rental housing for the black community. And as I
01:19:16> 01:19:20:	think Katie and and President Osley both also talked about,

01:19:20> 01:19:24:	there are some real examples of successful black communities, black
01:19:24> 01:19:27:	homeownership, and rental opportunities.
01:19:28> 01:19:33:	In this. But urban renewal and other practices in many
01:19:33> 01:19:35:	cases destroyed those.
01:19:37> 01:19:40:	And I also want to mention just to kind of
01:19:40> 01:19:43:	go back, I don't know if I can go back
01:19:43> 01:19:46:	there. We go to mention we are just now as
01:19:46> 01:19:50:	local government starting to really, truly take steps to put
01:19:50> 01:19:55:	resources to documenting some of these neighborhoods through our historic
01:19:55> 01:19:59:	Preservation Commission, through the work of Jordan Ryan as a
01:19:59> 01:20:03:	DMD archivist and historian and the Indiana Historical Society and
01:20:03> 01:20:04:	others.
01:20:05> 01:20:07:	Not to say a lot of good work has not
01:20:07> 01:20:09:	been done in that effect in the past, but as
01:20:09> 01:20:12:	a city government, I think we are just scratching the
01:20:12> 01:20:15:	surface in terms of putting our resources to the documentation
01:20:15> 01:20:18:	of this history and of these neighborhoods.
01:20:20> 01:20:24:	And I'll I'll unfortunately gloss a bit over the civil
01:20:24> 01:20:28:	rights era, but just to say that as legal protections
01:20:28> 01:20:32:	for discrimination nationally and locally began to be put in
01:20:32> 01:20:37:	place through the civil rights era, systemic discrimination in real
01:20:37> 01:20:42:	estate development and access to capital and entrepreneurship and in
01:20:42> 01:20:47:	residential neighborhoods persisted. And obviously was not gone on those
01:20:47> 01:20:50:	first days of legal protection or even today.
01:20:50> 01:20:53:	And so this this is just a photo of Christmas
01:20:53> 01:20:56:	addicts and some civil rights protesters outside Christmas attics high
01:20:56> 01:20:57:	school.
01:21:04> 01:21:07:	And we've talked a little bit about Unigov already, but
01:21:07> 01:21:11:	in 1970, as a response to white flight, UNIGOV was
01:21:11> 01:21:15:	put in place and consolidated white power once more or
01:21:15> 01:21:19:	reinforce that consolidation of white power and diluted the political
01:21:19> 01:21:22:	and voting power of black residents.
01:21:23> 01:21:27:	And in Indianapolis now is one of the largest geographically
01:21:27> 01:21:31:	one of the largest cities in the country. We have

01:21:31> 01:21:34:	over 400 square miles and also as part of Unigov,
01:21:34> 01:21:38:	if you're not local here, unigov didn't consolidate our schools
01:21:38> 01:21:42:	and that was that was an intentional decision to not
01:21:42> 01:21:45:	consolidate schools and had very real effects on access to
01:21:46> 01:21:50:	education and our education system with 11 school districts still
01:21:50> 01:21:52:	existing in Indianapolis.
01:21:54> 01:21:59:	Bringing it back around to access to capital opportunities for
01:21:59> 01:22:04:	entrepreneurs, in 1969, President Nixon signed an executive order establishing
01:22:04> 01:22:09:	an office of minority and business enterprise nationally. But it's
01:22:09> 01:22:13:	about 20 years before we really see here locally that
01:22:13> 01:22:18:	we establish a opportunities for minority and women businesses with
01:22:18> 01:22:22:	a recognition and local government that that there was still
01:22:22> 01:22:25:	passive participation or even active.
01:22:25> 01:22:30:	Participation and discrimination of opportunities for minority and women businesses.
01:22:32> 01:22:35:	And just a kind of interesting piece of local history.
01:22:35> 01:22:39:	The Indianapolis Recorder reported in 1995 with the construction of
01:22:39> 01:22:43:	Circle Center mall that Nordstrom had prioritized the use of
01:22:43> 01:22:46:	minority businesses in that construction process.
01:22:47> 01:22:50:	But again, one of the first opportunities that we really
01:22:50> 01:22:51:	saw this prioritized.
01:22:52> 01:22:54:	And I'll kind of leave it at that. I'm not
01:22:54> 01:22:57:	going to jump too much into the future other than
01:22:57> 01:22:59:	to say many of the things that I've talked about
01:22:59> 01:23:02:	and the things that I think will discuss as part
01:23:02> 01:23:03:	of the rest of the panel.
01:23:04> 01:23:07:	Absolutely have not gone away and really impact a lot
01:23:07> 01:23:10:	of the work that the city of Indianapolis and the
01:23:10> 01:23:14:	Department of Metropolitan Development is trying to address now. And
01:23:14> 01:23:17:	I certainly won't don't think that we are there yet
01:23:17> 01:23:19:	in terms of our work and and and how we're
01:23:19> 01:23:22:	doing. But to quickly highlight a couple of programs that
01:23:23> 01:23:26:	we're working towards that address some of the, some of
01:23:26> 01:23:29:	the headlines and some of the things we've been talking
01:23:29> 01:23:29:	about.
01:23:31> 01:23:33:	As I said, we're working to document some of the
01:23:33> 01:23:36:	history of black neighborhoods in Indianapolis.

01:23:37> 01:23:42:	We're also working on a zoning equity audit understanding. Even
01:23:42> 01:23:46:	as we've changed practices from, and Katie talked about this,
01:23:47> 01:23:51:	zoning and planning has has often prioritized space and the
01:23:51> 01:23:55:	size of the lot and property values as and character
01:23:55> 01:24:00:	of the neighborhood. And sometimes that's had unintended consequences for
01:24:00> 01:24:05:	for cost and and for really making some neighborhoods unattainable
01:24:05> 01:24:07:	for certain residents and I think now.
01:24:08> 01:24:10:	We're we're trying to go back and understand, even as
01:24:10> 01:24:12:	we have made a lot of changes in our zoning
01:24:12> 01:24:15:	code in the past few years, what else could we
01:24:15> 01:24:16:	be doing better?
01:24:16> 01:24:20:	And then incorporating as part of our comprehensive plan, a
01:24:20> 01:24:24:	cultural equity plan that more appropriately documents the assets and
01:24:24> 01:24:27:	opportunities that we have in our city to build on
01:24:27> 01:24:31:	the culture that we have represented and then finally from
01:24:31> 01:24:34:	a Community and economic development standpoint.
01:24:35> 01:24:39:	Some research we did just before the pandemic led to
01:24:39> 01:24:42:	an anti displacement plan that is really our road map
01:24:42> 01:24:46:	for how to invest in preservation and creation of quality
01:24:46> 01:24:50:	affordable housing. I don't want to dive too much into
01:24:50> 01:24:53:	that, but but the plan itself and the report really
01:24:53> 01:24:55:	has a foundation in.
01:24:56> 01:25:00:	The disparity that we still see persisting in terms of
01:25:00> 01:25:05:	black homeownership and and quality affordable housing for poor black
01:25:05> 01:25:08:	residents for all residents as well.
01:25:10> 01:25:13:	And finally, again, to kind of bring it back to
01:25:13> 01:25:18:	access to capital and entrepreneurship, we've been thinking about our
01:25:18> 01:25:22:	tools, our economic development tools, which are often based on
01:25:22> 01:25:27:	large capital investments such as tax abatements and tiffs rely
01:25:27> 01:25:30:	on that large capital investment to even function. And so
01:25:31> 01:25:35:	how can we help small businesses be successful through opportunities
01:25:35> 01:25:39:	to access to space, access to capital, access to other
01:25:39> 01:25:40:	resources through our.
01:25:40> 01:25:43:	Start up 317 program and then how can we, how
01:25:43> 01:25:48:	can we provide opportunities for black and brown real estate

01:25:48> 01:25:53:	developers and women real estate developers who who traditionally haven't
01:25:53> 01:25:57:	been owners or investing their own equity in projects and
01:25:57> 01:26:00:	so how can we provide additional support for them at
01:26:00> 01:26:04:	this stage. So with that I'll I'll turn it back
01:26:04> 01:26:05:	over to Katie.
01:26:06> 01:26:06:	All right.
01:26:07> 01:26:11:	Thank you, Scarlet, for giving us that background. I thought
01:26:11> 01:26:14:	it would be interesting to hear from Brandon, who is
01:26:14> 01:26:17:	a lifetime resident of Indianapolis to speak. He is a
01:26:17> 01:26:21:	former resident of one of the most notable black communities,
01:26:21> 01:26:24:	the planner House homes. And I thought if you could
01:26:24> 01:26:27:	speak to that and maybe give your insights into what
01:26:27> 01:26:31:	you think's changed since then, that it's created these hardships.
01:26:34> 01:26:37:	l apologize, I don't have any slides as I was
01:26:37> 01:26:41:	looking over those of the pictures. It's it's interesting when
01:26:41> 01:26:44:	we see black and white pictures. Yeah, like that was
01:26:44> 01:26:45:	so long ago.
01:26:46> 01:26:49:	And so in preparing for this, my mom grew up
01:26:49> 01:26:52:	on the avenue and I was like, mom downloaded me.
01:26:52> 01:26:54:	I need to know like I have. I mean, we
01:26:54> 01:26:58:	have many conversations, but I was like, I wanted to
01:26:58> 01:27:01:	know, like, what was the essence of when you lived
01:27:01> 01:27:02:	on the Ave?
01:27:03> 01:27:07:	Yeah, and she's like, it's it wasn't Disney World, it
01:27:07> 01:27:11:	wasn't a utopia, but we saw that Walker sign and
01:27:11> 01:27:13:	it was we could dream.
01:27:13> 01:27:17:	We saw and we communicated our with, we lived with
01:27:17> 01:27:21:	people who were doctors, attorneys and there's multiple businesses and
01:27:21> 01:27:25:	there was community there. I would say this is, this
01:27:25> 01:27:28:	is hard. You can potentially you might hear it in
01:27:29> 01:27:32:	my voice. It is hard to see even pictures of
01:27:32> 01:27:36:	when we're talking about flanner homes. That's that's my home,
01:27:36> 01:27:38:	that's my like we were a part of a my
01:27:38> 01:27:41:	mom, she grew up on the Ave Flare house if
01:27:41> 01:27:43:	you're not familiar with it.
01:27:44> 01:27:47:	Men built their own homes. There is Flinner house one
01:27:48> 01:27:51:	and then Flanner House 2, which is in a different
01:27:51> 01:27:54:	side of town. I grew up in Flanner House 2.

01:27:54> 01:27:57:	So the men all came together and they built their
01:27:57> 01:28:01:	homes these, and they're still there to this day. But
01:28:01> 01:28:03:	it is a if if one guy couldn't do this,
01:28:03> 01:28:06:	the other guy did that, this, this and that.
01:28:08> 01:28:10:	And it's and I'm going all the place because this
01:28:11> 01:28:12:	is emotional to see these things.
01:28:14> 01:28:17:	Those communities are intact today.
01:28:17> 01:28:18:	Umm.
01:28:20> 01:28:22:	That my mom still lives there to this day and
01:28:22> 01:28:25:	she used the equity in her house to send me
01:28:25> 01:28:25:	to college.
01:28:26> 01:28:29:	It's like I'm a byproduct of something that I did
01:28:29> 01:28:31:	not even see that was in motion. So my lens
01:28:31> 01:28:34:	is different. Like I I can see that there were
01:28:34> 01:28:37:	a lot of things that were going on, but there's
01:28:37> 01:28:40:	also some things that were going on in those times
01:28:40> 01:28:43:	of that that presented black wealth that you had an
01:28:43> 01:28:45:	image that I could see and be around people who
01:28:45> 01:28:49:	are unlike, unlike me, I guess, in social economic
	backgrounds
01:28:49> 01:28:52:	that they intertwined with each other and then they moved
01:28:52> 01:28:55:	to be able to build community that they actually owned
01:28:55> 01:28:56:	a piece of land.
01:28:57> 01:29:01:	That that actually like I'm a product of that and
01:29:01> 01:29:04:	if you can go into those communities now.
01:29:05> 01:29:07:	There's a you can go down those streets.
01:29:07> 01:29:11:	And there is a difference. You're like, why is this
01:29:11> 01:29:15:	street different than that? It was rooted differently. It came
01:29:15> 01:29:16:	about differently.
01:29:17> 01:29:22:	And it's it's always like we attempt to recreate something
01:29:22> 01:29:27:	or not recreate something to think we have to come
01:29:27> 01:29:29:	up with something new.
01:29:29> 01:29:32:	Other than slightly taking a step back to be able
01:29:32> 01:29:34:	to move forward and go, we don't necessarily have to
01:29:34> 01:29:35:	reinvent the wheel.
01:29:36> 01:29:39:	There are things that happened even in those times that
01:29:40> 01:29:43:	spawned something that that I'm a product of and I
01:29:43> 01:29:48:	know countless other individuals that their parents use the
	equity
01:29:48> 01:29:51:	in their homes to be able to root their families
01:29:51> 01:29:54:	in a in a different like economic like.
01:29:55> 01:29:57:	Back or they were able to advance themselves.
01:29:59> 01:30:02:	So yeah, this is from.

01:30:03> 01:30:06:	This is truly hard to sometimes see like, even like
01:30:06> 01:30:07:	we look at Crispus attics.
01:30:09> 01:30:13:	That environmental Indiana Ave, my mom went to Christmas attics
01:30:13> 01:30:17:	and and the individuals that were in that building, those
01:30:17> 01:30:22:	were those teachers were individuals who could not teach at
01:30:22> 01:30:26:	universities, who ended up teaching at that high school. That
01:30:26> 01:30:30:	again rooted a community that, I mean Indianapolis is based
01:30:30> 01:30:34:	upon Christmas attics. I mean that's that's everyone.
01:30:35> 01:30:39:	Yeah, so again, hard to. That's what I'm feeling right
01:30:39> 01:30:42:	now. You can maybe hear in my voice, but yeah,
01:30:42> 01:30:42:	SO.
01:30:42> 01:30:45:	Yeah, what I find interesting about that it, well, it
01:30:45> 01:30:46:	makes me question.
01:30:48> 01:30:50:	It almost seems like.
01:30:51> 01:30:53:	Black people were better off.
01:30:53> 01:30:56:	Right when they were left alone, and.
01:30:57> 01:31:01:	Were able to control the way wealth was accumulated in
01:31:01> 01:31:05:	their communities and how it moved about their communities, right
01:31:05> 01:31:05:	it was.
01:31:07> 01:31:10:	There were, there was, there were less.
01:31:10> 01:31:13:	Or there was less of an omnipresence of like this
01:31:13> 01:31:17:	overseer controlling how they built their communities, and the result
01:31:17> 01:31:19:	of that was successful black communities.
01:31:20> 01:31:23:	That we then turn around and destroyed with our policy
01:31:23> 01:31:27:	decisions, right. That's that's what urban renewal is.
01:31:29> 01:31:32:	So we're red lining is and they really what I
01:31:32> 01:31:34:	observe from history is like.
01:31:35> 01:31:36:	We pushed black communities.
01:31:37> 01:31:40:	To the extent that we begin.
01:31:41> 01:31:45:	To I mean, be confused about what was going on,
01:31:45> 01:31:49:	but also started to demand from the government that they
01:31:49> 01:31:54:	give us back control of our communities, which then pushes
01:31:54> 01:31:59:	us into everything from Eisenhower to Reagan, right? Where, in
01:31:59> 01:32:04:	my opinion, we started to see this nonprofit industrial complex
01:32:04> 01:32:07:	where we're now pulling money out of.
01:32:08> 01:32:09:	Individual wealth.
01:32:10> 01:32:11:	And.
01:32:11> 01:32:13:	Individual community development.

01:32:14> 01:32:18:	Into these pseudo governmental nonprofit overseers.
01:32:19> 01:32:24:	Who become favorites to particular politicians or?
01:32:24> 01:32:29:	Governing leaders and it begins to limit.
01:32:29> 01:32:34:	The possibilities of black communities right and also exclude.
01:32:35> 01:32:39:	Black wealth from the community development process to
	where now
01:32:39> 01:32:41:	you want to build a black community, you gotta do
01:32:41> 01:32:44:	it with low income housing tax credits, right? It used
01:32:44> 01:32:47:	to be community development block grants. You need a nonprofit
01:32:48> 01:32:49:	because you can't find it.
01:32:50> 01:32:51:	A black woman.
01:32:51> 01:32:54:	Who has the rap sheet to make it through the
01:32:54> 01:32:58:	underwriting process because that underwriting process was literally built to
01:32:58> 01:33:02:	exclude her and instead of fixing that, our government decided
01:33:02> 01:33:03:	to just create.
01:33:06> 01:33:07:	Basically.
01:33:08> 01:33:10:	Ways to funnel money into.
01:33:11> 01:33:13:	Their puppet organizations.
01:33:14> 01:33:18:	To fix black communities so it's almost like we need
01:33:18> 01:33:19:	to go back.
01:33:19> 01:33:23:	To whatever, whatever magic was happening in their Flanner house,
01:33:23> 01:33:26:	too, right of this this community, they really governed itself.
01:33:26> 01:33:29:	They're starting to say they built a wall around it.
01:33:29> 01:33:33:	I think there there there was bubbles that existed that
01:33:33> 01:33:37:	people were willing to have the messy conversations about. How
01:33:37> 01:33:39:	do we build community, right, like how do we?
01:33:40> 01:33:46:	I like the the banks were it was potentially black-owned
01:33:46> 01:33:48:	right. Right so or if.
01:33:50> 01:33:50:	I know it's.
01:33:51> 01:33:55:	There's a lot more communication going on because it wasn't
01:33:55> 01:33:58:	so this, I guess, broken up and whatnot, so.
01:33:59> 01:34:03:	And it was more democratic, right? These are individuals.
01:34:06> 01:34:10:	There were transacting with each other, supporting each other, not
01:34:10> 01:34:11:	depending on.
01:34:12> 01:34:15:	The government to make their next handout because you know
01:34:15> 01:34:15:	when.
01:34:16> 01:34:20:	When you have the federal government then trickling money

	into
01:34:20> 01:34:24:	your community, they also by nature begin to control you.
01:34:24> 01:34:25:	Because if you.
01:34:25> 01:34:29:	Start to radicalize or demand more, they just say, alright,
01:34:29> 01:34:32:	I'll hold your purse. How are you gonna do?
01:34:32> 01:34:36:	How are you gonna feel if I hold your purse?
01:34:36> 01:34:39:	You know, so it's almost like out of a attempt
01:34:39> 01:34:40:	to.
01:34:41> 01:34:46:	Evade the tough policy decisions. We've now built this entire
01:34:46> 01:34:50:	new complex that all of us work in now, right?
01:34:51> 01:34:54:	I work. I'm I'm on the board of a Community
01:34:54> 01:34:57:	Development Corporation. There's no mystery how that started. That was
01:34:57> 01:35:00:	Nixon and community development block grants.
01:35:00> 01:35:02:	Now instead of.
01:35:04> 01:35:06:	Miss Jan that lives on the corner, being able to
01:35:06> 01:35:08:	build a few houses. It has to come through us.
01:35:09> 01:35:12:	Alright. And we gotta put our lightech package in and
01:35:12> 01:35:16:	compete with the five other community development corporations in our
01:35:16> 01:35:18:	city that are all going for the same amount of
01:35:18> 01:35:22:	money that's controlled by our federal government under this very
01:35:22> 01:35:25:	bureaucratic and cumbersome process that ends up paying more attorneys
01:35:25> 01:35:26:	and lawyers and.
01:35:27> 01:35:31:	Auditors and brokers, then it does the actual community. So
01:35:31> 01:35:34:	that to me that was the government's response to its
01:35:35> 01:35:38:	bad policy decisions up to the 60s. We we create,
01:35:38> 01:35:41:	we created a new complex that is now holding Black,
01:35:41> 01:35:44:	holding back communities of color and.
01:35:45> 01:35:47:	It begs the question, we need we need to find
01:35:47> 01:35:49:	the magic that may.
01:35:49> 01:35:53:	The Madam CJ Walkers, the Mary Ellen Pleasants and Annie
01:35:53> 01:35:55:	Malones, and we need to empower.
01:35:56> 01:35:57:	Black people.
01:35:57> 01:36:01:	To build their own communities. What does that look like?
01:36:01> 01:36:01:	How do we?
01:36:02> 01:36:06:	How do we reach back to those times of segregation
01:36:06> 01:36:09:	to figure out what they had then and undo all
01:36:09> 01:36:12:	of this futile policy that we've created to?
01:36:13> 01:36:14:	Fix the urban core, right?
01:36:15> 01:36:17:	How do we how do we do that?

01:36:18> 01:36:21:	You've both spoken or really all three of you have
01:36:21> 01:36:25:	spoken to the regulations that have limited opportunities for
	for
01:36:25> 01:36:28:	folks today. And I think you all have also spoken
01:36:28> 01:36:32:	about. What resonates with me is that the economic
	integration
01:36:32> 01:36:35:	was so important in that there were people in the
01:36:35> 01:36:38:	Community that were leaders and had the money to invest
01:36:38> 01:36:39:	in projects. How does.
01:36:41> 01:36:43:	How do you go back to that and maybe like
01:36:43> 01:36:46:	what regulations do you see as the most limiting? And
01:36:46> 01:36:49:	Aaron, you spoke to him a little bit, but.
01:36:50> 01:36:53:	Well, I also want to highlight, I mean, I spoke
01:36:53> 01:36:57:	about my work minority and women business enterprises and
	the
01:36:58> 01:37:02:	work to try to set goals for especially construction projects
01:37:02> 01:37:06:	and real estate development, but those can be limiting too,
01:37:06> 01:37:09:	I think in in the way that that the programs
01:37:09> 01:37:09:	work.
01:37:11> 01:37:13:	You know, I don't know how it's done in every
01:37:13> 01:37:16:	city or with every state, but I think it can
01:37:16> 01:37:19:	be challenging to to go through the process to get
01:37:19> 01:37:23:	registered, to compete for certain types of contracts. I think
01:37:23> 01:37:26:	the access to capital and equipment and supplies can be
01:37:26> 01:37:29:	challenging, especially in a time right now. And we have
01:37:29> 01:37:33:	supply chain issues, construction costs going up, so being
	able
01:37:33> 01:37:36:	to compete for larger contracts, grow your business and then
01:37:36> 01:37:39:	deal with kind of regulatory barriers to get there.
01:37:41> 01:37:44:	I don't. Again, I think to your point about being
01:37:44> 01:37:45:	well-intentioned.
01:37:46> 01:37:50:	I think sometimes those are also barriers that and you
01:37:50> 01:37:54:	know I would let you speak to them as well
01:37:54> 01:37:58:	but but that's something that we have questioned here locally
01:37:58> 01:38:02:	and especially is becoming acute as I think as as
01:38:02> 01:38:07:	construction costs and supply chain issues and labor supply
	is
01:38:07> 01:38:08:	has become shorter.
01:38:10> 01:38:13:	Yeah, I think it's, I don't know, at a in
01:38:13> 01:38:13:	a very simple.
01:38:16> 01:38:18:	Terms is the difference between.
01:38:19> 01:38:22:	An investment and a grant.
01:38:24> 01:38:25:	When the government gives.

01:38:26> 01:38:29:	Away money. They have to regulate it, right? Because it's
01:38:29> 01:38:31:	tax money, the taxpayer.
01:38:32> 01:38:35:	Wants to know that they are doing their due diligence
01:38:35> 01:38:37:	and being responsible with the money.
01:38:37> 01:38:40:	When the government make invest, makes investments.
01:38:41> 01:38:43:	I don't know that it it you don't seem to
01:38:43> 01:38:46:	have the same questions, right. It's it's an investment that's
01:38:47> 01:38:47:	how we got.
01:38:48> 01:38:52:	The World Wide Web through government investments. That's how we
01:38:52> 01:38:56:	got the suburbanization of America government invested in the white
01:38:56> 01:38:59:	middle class. That's how we got it. But instead of
01:38:59> 01:39:02:	investing in communities of color, investing in black people, they
01:39:02> 01:39:05:	just want to grant money to them and then over
01:39:05> 01:39:08:	regulate it, which is not reaping what we needed to
01:39:08> 01:39:10:	reap, which is self-sustaining.
01:39:11> 01:39:13:	Black communities and.
01:39:15> 01:39:18:	Black people, right? So we just need to. I mean,
01:39:18> 01:39:21:	I guess I'm saying everything shorter, just saying we need
01:39:21> 01:39:21:	to.
01:39:23> 01:39:26:	Reparations. That's what we need, right? That's the one thing
01:39:26> 01:39:27:	we haven't done.
01:39:29> 01:39:33:	That seems to be really holding back our black communities
01:39:33> 01:39:34:	so that.
01:39:35> 01:39:38:	Money can move more freely within these communities. It's my
01:39:38> 01:39:39:	opinion.
01:39:39> 01:39:42:	I know the word transparency is used a lot right
01:39:42> 01:39:45:	out there. I think that widening the conversation and bringing
01:39:45> 01:39:48:	more people into it, I think is what's what's needed.
01:39:48> 01:39:51:	Like this is in development. It is like we're talking
01:39:51> 01:39:55:	about communities like having bubbles in development. It's a bubble.
01:39:55> 01:39:57:	We all know, like we say, lytic and all this
01:39:57> 01:39:59:	other stuff and tiff and everything else.
01:40:00> 01:40:04:	People like that's not those are not common. Being able
01:40:04> 01:40:07:	to bring more people into the OR into the conversation
01:40:07> 01:40:10:	and and like, say, going to churches and whatnot and
01:40:10> 01:40:13:	going, hey, I'm going to have a class on this,
01:40:13> 01:40:17:	this is how development works. This is all the different
01:40:17> 01:40:20:	nuances of putting a deal together and whatnot.

01:40:21> 01:40:24:	We isolate that or even like youth. That's not, that's
01:40:24> 01:40:27:	not. There's guys that come up to me and going,
01:40:27> 01:40:29:	I want to be a developer. I'm like so.
01:40:30> 01:40:32:	Then I was like, let me find you a internship
01:40:32> 01:40:35:	and when I go and try to find an internship
01:40:35> 01:40:38:	for that individual, like no one wants to, like, engage
01:40:38> 01:40:41:	them, it's so easy to say it, but to actually
01:40:41> 01:40:44:	actually teach someone and bring more people into the mix,
01:40:44> 01:40:46:	it's hugely complicated. Or not.
01:40:47> 01:40:49:	Someone has to take the initiative to be able to
01:40:49> 01:40:51:	do it. I think that's all like on us to
01:40:51> 01:40:54:	be able to spread the information that's in our head
01:40:54> 01:40:57:	out to the masses, bringing more people into that conversation
01:40:57> 01:41:00:	like in those communities that we talked about.
01:41:01> 01:41:04:	Communication flow. There was no web and whatnot. There were
01:41:04> 01:41:07:	community groups and individuals and everyone was talking.
01:41:08> 01:41:12:	Yeah. It was also easier, right. The, the stresses were
01:41:13> 01:41:15:	natural on the market, right?
01:41:17> 01:41:19:	Now it's like, what system are we going to teach
01:41:20> 01:41:23:	them? Is that system even worth teaching or does that
01:41:23> 01:41:25:	system need to be deconstructed?
01:41:26> 01:41:29:	I think what you're saying Brandon, one thing that that
01:41:29> 01:41:33:	resonates with me in in thinking about how you build
01:41:33> 01:41:36:	a business as a developer is is scale of projects
01:41:36> 01:41:40:	and getting started and how to get started and as
01:41:40> 01:41:42:	I was kind of alluding I think a lot of
01:41:42> 01:41:43:	the the.
01:41:44> 01:41:48:	Tools that we have as government to support development are
01:41:48> 01:41:52:	really at a scale that doesn't necessarily address like a
01:41:52> 01:41:57:	smaller developer. So we typically for large scale projects we
01:41:57> 01:42:01:	use a lot of developer backed bonds for TIF projects.
01:42:01> 01:42:05:	Well that assumes a very large investment, a very large
01:42:05> 01:42:09:	project. It also assumes that you have the credit the
01:42:09> 01:42:12:	the financial wherewithal to go out and back a bond
01:42:13> 01:42:14:	and or you can.
01:42:14> 01:42:17:	Replace that with the bank and you have those relationships
01:42:17> 01:42:20:	and that access to credit and I think sure, we
01:42:20> 01:42:23:	have a lot of developers locally and nationally that can
01:42:23> 01:42:23:	do.
01:42:23> 01:42:24:	That.

01:42:24> 01:42:27:	But what I often find is they do come from
01:42:27> 01:42:29:	generational white wealth.
01:42:30> 01:42:34:	Right. So I'm always like small scale development initially do
01:42:34> 01:42:36:	that, you know have a couple of homes do a
01:42:36> 01:42:39:	do a missing middle product, you know do fourplex 6
01:42:39> 01:42:43:	Plex, build yourself up that knowledge base. But even then
01:42:43> 01:42:47:	it's really, really, really complicated to actually even get into
01:42:47> 01:42:49:	that first step. But I think that's it took me
01:42:50> 01:42:52:	35 years of of just being able to go on
01:42:52> 01:42:54:	the outside of going I want to do this, I
01:42:54> 01:42:57:	want to do this and then someone saying yes, I'm
01:42:57> 01:43:00:	going to back you, you can do it and I
01:43:00> 01:43:00:	think that.
01:43:00> 01:43:04:	That small scale development and owning land and and actually
01:43:04> 01:43:08:	owning your environment is what built some of these communities.
01:43:08> 01:43:11:	It's what the the three women that were that we're
01:43:11> 01:43:15:	talking about. They they started small and they built up.
01:43:15> 01:43:18:	They also made investments in the community that they knew
01:43:18> 01:43:22:	that they would not reap the rewards of. They were
01:43:22> 01:43:25:	willing to be selfless and build enterprises that built their
01:43:25> 01:43:28:	community up to, I mean to the point she did
01:43:28> 01:43:30:	not walk those halls and.
01:43:30> 01:43:34:	That's that's you don't really necessarily see that today, right?
01:43:34> 01:43:38:	Doesn't really we've made in our poor forma performance we
01:43:38> 01:43:41:	can't say that our kids, kids will reap these rewards
01:43:41> 01:43:44:	if we do this. If we build this, you know
01:43:44> 01:43:47:	this this way, that's not in our our our thought
01:43:47> 01:43:50:	pattern. The question is why not and you will get
01:43:50> 01:43:53:	communities like that if you have selfless individuals that are
01:43:54> 01:43:58:	willing to make rooted foundational development choices that they will
01:43:58> 01:44:00:	not reap the rewards of because we can't.
01:44:01> 01:44:04:	Do that, or even advance upon where we have, unless
01:44:04> 01:44:08:	we're willing to have that conversation, bringing more, bringing having
01:44:08> 01:44:13:	those messy conversations, building generational wealth, small scale development, and
01:44:13> 01:44:16:	this all sounds like a lot. I think they actually
01:44:16> 01:44:17:	did it.
01:44:17> 01:44:20:	Yes, it's. It's a. It's an undoing process, right? Instead

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of.
Adding of like of it is.
Possible you have layers and layers of policy decisions.
That we've made first to exclude a group and then.
To help the group fix itself, because, you know, we
forgot we forgot that we created their problem. So instead
of adding more layers to that to quote UN quote
help them, we need to peel those layers back.
And give them.
To in a sense, the freedom that they had in
their segregated communities, that's.
I don't know. That's that's what I pull from the
three women that I had up on the slide.
In a segregated community, they still had freedom within certain
spaces.
So to build.
The legacy or build the places that they wanted and
that does not exist anymore today, today if you if
you wanted to do what they did.
You better have a lot of predevelopment money or you
better know the right people.
Or.
You better be able to collateralize a lot of things,
because otherwise you you know you're not even starting the
conversation.
That is, that is a huge, huge, huge.
Problem and Mary Mary Ellen Pleasant, like she literally got
off the train and California.
Sold her talents as a cook to white men, making
\$500.00 a week.
And that's how she built her wealth. So she started
from the ground, and now you you can't start from
the ground unless you have some big.
l don't know, silent donor.
Whatever. You inherit some wealth or you sue somebody and
get some money. I don't. It's no, it's nothing like
what they had. We need to get back. We need
to get back to what they had in my.
Being and we're running out of time, but I have

01:46:20> 01:46:23:	we we talked about wanting to center our conversation around
01:46:23> 01:46:26:	these three women. We as a group discussed do we
01:46:26> 01:46:28:	need a voice from an African American woman that is
01:46:29> 01:46:32:	a developer that potentially owns her own company or at
01:46:32> 01:46:34:	least leads the development piece of it and we all
01:46:35> 01:46:35:	really struggled.
01:46:36> 01:46:37:	To identify someone and so.
01:46:38> 01:46:41:	l don't know if you all can speak to your
01:46:41> 01:46:42:	experiences.
01:46:43> 01:46:46:	I know we can't speak to that specific perspective, but,
01:46:46> 01:46:50:	um, acknowledging that that ownership piece is so important to
01:46:50> 01:46:53:	wealth building, and I think that's what these three women
01:46:53> 01:46:54:	had.
01:46:55> 01:46:57:	Well, I see we're overtime but I was, yeah, I
01:46:58> 01:47:01:	bet it's people in the audience that could probably answer
01:47:01> 01:47:04:	that question because you know if you're in banking or.
01:47:04> 01:47:08:	Whatever you've, you've met these black women that are or
01:47:08> 01:47:12:	they're trying to build their enterprises and you know the
01:47:12> 01:47:14:	roadblocks that they face.
01:47:15> 01:47:16:	Not the times.
01:47:17> 01:47:20:	Now, if you meet a black woman in development, she's
01:47:20> 01:47:24:	she's an employee, right, of a of a Development Corporation
01:47:24> 01:47:28:	or she's leading a nonprofit developer, right. These mechanisms that
01:47:28> 01:47:29:	were created to.
01:47:30> 01:47:32:	Give people control when really.
01:47:34> 01:47:37:	It's not. It's not real freedom to develop or build
01:47:37> 01:47:41:	your communities how you want to. You're still under the
01:47:41> 01:47:45:	control of someone else or a funding source, etcetera.
01:47:45> 01:47:49:	Well, I think, I mean I will just acknowledge in
01:47:49> 01:47:52:	my role I interact with a lot of developers, mostly
01:47:52> 01:47:55:	white men and I think just the privilege I think
01:47:55> 01:47:58:	of being white in those in those spaces as opposed
01:47:59> 01:48:02:	to being a black woman I think is, is profound.
01:48:02> 01:48:04:	And I think I just, yeah, I can't speak to
01:48:04> 01:48:07:	that experience of of what it takes as a black
01:48:08> 01:48:10:	woman to build a business or to be in in
01:48:10> 01:48:11:	those spaces but.
01:48:12> 01:48:16:	But that's just something that I think about every day
01:48:16> 01:48:20:	as I negotiate economic development deals at a large scale
01:48:20> 01:48:21:	for the city.

01:48:23> 01:48:25:	I have 4 kids and three daughters. So they see
01:48:26> 01:48:28:	Daddy come home every day. They see the stress and
01:48:28> 01:48:31:	everything else. We also see that the joy in my
01:48:31> 01:48:34:	face of what we're doing and building, like structure. And
01:48:34> 01:48:37:	I'm like, so I take kind of the the long
01:48:37> 01:48:39:	tail effect or the long tail. And it's like I
01:48:39> 01:48:42:	have a couple or my middle child is like, I
01:48:42> 01:48:44:	want to do this and I'm like, you will do
01:48:44> 01:48:47:	this, you know, and you'll do it as an intern
01:48:47> 01:48:50:	first, and then we're building the foundation for you to
01:48:50> 01:48:51:	build your own stuff. So.
01:48:52> 01:48:55:	So we're moving in that right direction, so.
01:48:56> 01:48:58:	That's good to hear if anyone has anything else to
01:48:58> 01:49:00:	say. If not, we'll turn it over.
01:49:10> 01:49:12:	There we go. Thank you.
01:49:16> 01:49:19:	For future reference, there are microphones in the room.
01:49:36> 01:49:39:	Hello, cool. Alright, I'll try to be kind of quick
01:49:39> 01:49:42:	because I think there's other people that want to ask
01:49:42> 01:49:45:	questions, but I wanted to speak to two things that
01:49:45> 01:49:49:	you said. I grew up in Woodlawn, Chicago neighborhood, so
01:49:49> 01:49:51:	I got to see my entire life and I'm going
01:49:51> 01:49:52:	to try not to cry.
01:49:54> 01:49:57:	What money can do to people and what the lack
01:49:57> 01:49:58:	of money can do to people.
01:50:00> 01:50:02:	I got into real estate because I wanted to give
01:50:02> 01:50:03:	people back that hope.
01:50:04> 01:50:08:	Because that's what I believed was missing from my
	community,
01:50:08> 01:50:09:	the kids I grew up on with.
01:50:10> 01:50:13:	Um, a lot of them I don't see anymore because
01:50:13> 01:50:16:	they either left, they're in jail, or they're not with
01:50:17> 01:50:17:	us anymore.
01:50:18> 01:50:19:	And I grew up.
01:50:19> 01:50:23:	Being lucky because my family poured into me that if
01:50:23> 01:50:25:	I was smart and I worked hard and I was
01:50:25> 01:50:28:	educated in all these things, that I had the capability
01:50:28> 01:50:31:	to change my life. My my friends didn't have that.
01:50:31> 01:50:34:	And so I I equated that to having a sense
01:50:34> 01:50:37:	of hope that things could get better and they would
01:50:37> 01:50:40:	get better. And I wanted to do that via the
01:50:40> 01:50:43:	built environment. And so I spent my life straight A's
01:50:43> 01:50:45:	doing all the things I was told I had to

01:50:46> 01:50:48:	do in order to be seen as successful. I went
01:50:48> 01:50:49:	to a good school.
01:50:49> 01:50:52:	I went to get my master and do you know
01:50:52> 01:50:54:	what I was told time and time again when I
01:50:54> 01:50:58:	applied for the internships with the related ads and the
01:50:58> 01:51:01:	JLL I didn't have the qualifications for the role as
01:51:01> 01:51:02:	an intern.
01:51:03> 01:51:06:	I'm a straight A student 3.8 GPA in the Masters
01:51:06> 01:51:08:	program and I finished it in a year. It was
01:51:09> 01:51:11:	a two year program and I'm still not good enough.
01:51:12> 01:51:14:	l worked 40 hours a week. I'm I'm in real
01:51:14> 01:51:18:	estate. I would affordable housing, developer, Federal Home Loan, Bank
01:51:18> 01:51:20:	of Chicago. I did all the things I thought I
01:51:20> 01:51:23:	needed to do and I still wasn't good enough.
01:51:24> 01:51:27:	And so I found one opportunity with a woman who
01:51:27> 01:51:30:	looked past my resume and said you look like you
01:51:30> 01:51:33:	are a hard worker, you're hungry and you just need
01:51:33> 01:51:37:	an opportunity. And because of her, I started working for
01:51:37> 01:51:38:	Blackstone.
01:51:39> 01:51:42:	One of the largest investment companies in real estate because
01:51:42> 01:51:45:	she saw something that no one else was willing to
01:51:45> 01:51:46:	see in me.
01:51:47> 01:51:47:	A white woman.
01:51:48> 01:51:52:	Hired me a little black girl from the South side
01:51:52> 01:51:54:	of Chicago, and I I did. I see that as.
01:51:55> 01:51:59:	She also grew up in poverty. She also got an
01:51:59> 01:52:03:	opportunity with someone who saw past her credentials and gave
01:52:03> 01:52:07:	her an opportunity. And so it's hard for me sometimes
01:52:07> 01:52:10:	being in a space that is predominantly.
01:52:10> 01:52:13:	Ran by certain groups of. I don't even see it
01:52:13> 01:52:15:	as race, I see it as class.
01:52:16> 01:52:19:	You don't have the right credentials because I didn't go
01:52:19> 01:52:22:	to Harvard or Kellogg, you know, at Northwestern.
01:52:24> 01:52:27:	I want to live in a world where my race
01:52:27> 01:52:31:	and my gender and where I came from does not
01:52:31> 01:52:34:	matter anymore. My son who is multiracial.
01:52:34> 01:52:38:	Can grow up being whoever he wants to be because
01:52:38> 01:52:41:	he put in the effort, not because of what he
01:52:41> 01:52:44:	looks like or where he came from. And so I
01:52:44> 01:52:47:	I ask you all, how do we get to that

01:52:47> 01:52:51:	being what equity is, where someone is able to create
01:52:51> 01:52:54:	a world that they actually I want to be a.
01:52:55> 01:52:57:	l wanna develop because l love people.
01:52:58> 01:53:02:	And I hear people hurting across the country. We are
01:53:02> 01:53:05:	where we are today not because of.
01:53:05> 01:53:06:	People's lack of.
01:53:07> 01:53:11:	Caring, but because they can't think about anything else but
01:53:11> 01:53:13:	themselves right now, you know, I work.
01:53:14> 01:53:16:	And I work for you a lot.
01:53:16> 01:53:19:	I run the net zero imperative, which is focused on
01:53:19> 01:53:22:	decarbonizing cities. You know, what I've learned in this process
01:53:22> 01:53:25:	is that it's not that people don't care about the
01:53:25> 01:53:28:	climate. They don't know where they're going to eat tomorrow.
01:53:29> 01:53:32:	They don't know if their house is going to be
01:53:32> 01:53:32:	here.
01:53:33> 01:53:36:	In 20 years to provide for them, they're currently paying
01:53:37> 01:53:40:	40% of their housing needs, includes energies. I mean, it's
01:53:40> 01:53:43:	ridiculous. So me coming and saying Ohh, put in an
01:53:43> 01:53:47:	LED light bulb and, you know, reduce your OK, that's
01:53:47> 01:53:49:	good lady, but like, I need to feed my family
01:53:49> 01:53:52:	and I need to find a job that provides for
01:53:52> 01:53:53:	my family.
01:53:54> 01:53:57:	l struggle, so I don't know if you have any
01:53:57> 01:54:00:	answer, but I hear you three of you.
01:54:02> 01:54:04:	And I posed to the rest of the room.
01:54:06> 01:54:07:	That he don't give up hope.
01:54:09> 01:54:14:	And to be willing to look past people's credentials.
01:54:14> 01:54:17:	And meet the person that is on the other side
01:54:17> 01:54:20:	of that resume, because I think a lot of us,
01:54:20> 01:54:22:	especially in, you know, my age, you're girls.
01:54:23> 01:54:24:	The other people's kids.
01:54:25> 01:54:28:	We want to do the work. We just need an
01:54:28> 01:54:32:	opportunity to come to the table and and do that.
01:54:32> 01:54:35:	So I just thank you for your honesty and transparency
01:54:35> 01:54:38:	in it all. So thank you. Thank you.
01:54:47> 01:54:48:	We have time for one more.
01:54:54> 01:55:00:	Good morning. So I am that black female owner developer.
01:55:00> 01:55:03:	And one of the things that we are struggling with
01:55:03> 01:55:05:	is we try to get our first deal off the
01:55:05> 01:55:07:	ground, anybody to even talk to us.

01:55:07> 01:55:09:	Um, is.
01:55:10> 01:55:13:	The concept of experience obviously and having a ton of
01:55:14> 01:55:18:	assets to collateralize, which we don't. We've been small
••••••	business
01:55:18> 01:55:20:	owners I say we, I mean me and my husband
01:55:20> 01:55:24:	have been small business owners in the construction industry
	for
01:55:25> 01:55:28:	almost 10 years and I had a conversation with a
01:55:28> 01:55:30:	lender 2 days ago who told me that 10 years
01:55:30> 01:55:34:	of experience of building and renovating did not count towards.
01:55:35> 01:55:39:	Experience for you know to be qualified for this financing
01:55:39> 01:55:42:	that we were pre qualified for three weeks ago, but
01:55:42> 01:55:46:	then the lender changed their guidelines and now our experience
01:55:46> 01:55:49:	counts for nothing. And again I'm an owner in the
01:55:49> 01:55:54:	construction industry who has been building and renovating
	for nearly
01:55:54> 01:55:57:	ten years and that experience counts for nothing now.
01:55:58> 01:56:01:	And so the question that I would have for you
01:56:01> 01:56:04:	is what are some of the things that and I
01:56:04> 01:56:06:	heard you say it took you 35 years to, you
01:56:06> 01:56:10:	know, to get your first deal off the ground. Was
01:56:10> 01:56:11:	that was that accurate or?
01:56:12> 01:56:15:	It took me that long to even someone to respond
01:56:15> 01:56:19:	to my like my inquiry to say this is what
01:56:19> 01:56:22:	I want to do, OK, like it's yeah, it's a
01:56:22> 01:56:23:	Herculean feat.
01:56:23> 01:56:26:	So what are some of the things that you would
01:56:26> 01:56:28:	say as someone who's not new?
01:56:28> 01:56:32:	To real estate, right, but maybe new as A at
01:56:32> 01:56:36:	risk developer to, you know, to make that headway because
01:56:36> 01:56:40:	right now I just don't really see the way forward.
01:56:41> 01:56:45:	It sounds like to your to your point, surrounding yourself
01:56:45> 01:56:48:	with individuals that can give you a backbone to be
01:56:49> 01:56:52:	able to weather is what I think is always needed
01:56:52> 01:56:55:	like it. It is like you cannot run this road
01:56:55> 01:56:58:	by yourself. You have to have a strong foundation of
01:56:58> 01:57:03:	individuals who you can just be completely transparent and
	open
01:57:03> 01:57:05:	and just be like, this is what I have on
01:57:06> 01:57:08:	my plate, this is who I am and let them
01:57:08> 01:57:11:	carry you like aid and carry you along.

01:57:11> 01:57:17:	What I've always like community will get you through. I
01:57:17> 01:57:22:	have sent out countless emails, Rogue emails of this is
01:57:22> 01:57:25:	like who I am and how to like.
01:57:27> 01:57:31:	And like over and over and over again and taking
01:57:31> 01:57:35:	meetings with people. It is herculean. It's it is the
01:57:35> 01:57:39:	hardest thing. And I had an individual who another black
01:57:39> 01:57:44:	man developer two years, two years younger than me say.
01:57:44> 01:57:45:	I'll give you a chance.
01:57:47> 01:57:50:	And he worked his way up but and and that
01:57:50> 01:57:53:	was I mean that took five years of just going
01:57:53> 01:57:56:	this is who I am. It's a Herculean feat and
01:57:56> 01:57:59:	there's no like road map that I have found that
01:57:59> 01:58:02:	says that this is like like there there's and I've
01:58:03> 01:58:06:	yeah it is. But surrounding yourself with individuals who can
01:58:07> 01:58:07:	help you.
01:58:08> 01:58:11:	And like true perseverance. And I know people are like
01:58:11> 01:58:16:	perseverance, perseverance. But like steadfast, I will not
	accept no.
01:58:16> 01:58:18:	But I'm also looking for you to say no because
01:58:18> 01:58:21:	no will get me to yes. Like I am always
01:58:21> 01:58:23:	looking for you to tell me no, because I know
01:58:23> 01:58:26:	that that will eventually lead to yes and that carries
01:58:27> 01:58:27:	me along so.
01:58:28> 01:58:30:	Thank you. And just a quick plug for the ready
01:58:30> 01:58:32:	program. You say that road map, I was in the
01:58:32> 01:58:35:	second ready cohort and if you're looking for a road
01:58:35> 01:58:37:	map, ready is that road map so?
01:58:37> 01:58:38:	And and and we'll hear more about.
01:58:38> 01:58:39:	Study.
01:58:40> 01:58:41:	This afternoon.
01:58:43> 01:58:46:	Alright, I want to thank our panelists today, starting with
01:58:46> 01:58:48:	Bob and your comments.
01:58:50> 01:58:54:	Your insight to where we've been and tells us how
01:58:54> 01:58:59:	much further we have to go. Katie Aaron's Scarlett Brandon
01:58:59> 01:59:01:	thank you very much. And and.
01:59:02> 01:59:03:	Prior to.
01:59:04> 01:59:07:	Opening. I forgot to thank all of our sponsors, so
01:59:07> 01:59:12:	my apologies. Will make a little recognition for our sponsors
01:59:12> 01:59:15:	later. Right now, Next up we're going to have our
01:59:15> 01:59:19:	summit story hour. So thank you all for attending. Very
01:59:19> 01:59:20:	insightful.
01:59:25> 01:59:28:	I think the I'm gonna gather notes over the time
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01:59:28 --> 01:59:32:that we hear from everybody but and and everybody's gonna01:59:32 --> 01:59:36:have their takeaways while while our panel, our next summit01:59:36 --> 01:59:39:story hour comes up. It's going to start with Dominique01:59:40 --> 01:59:41:and then Amendola.

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