



A SYMBOL OF HOPE

James Preston Poindexter

Museum & Cultural Learning Center

The museum and cultural learning center will showcase the untold story of an African American experience in its neighborhood and beyond in order to nurture, understanding, inspire success, inform action and empower future generations to build the strong, vibrant and just community they want to live in.

Operational Goals

Poindexter Village builds on the rich, untold story of an African American experience in its neighborhood and beyond in order to nurture understanding, inspire success, inform action, and empower future generations to build the strong, vibrant, and just communities they want to live in.



Supporters and members of the James Preston Poindexter Foundation

“It was the kind of community where hard-working families flourished.”

- Aminah Robinson

Born: October 26, 1819, Richmond, Virginia
Died: February 7, 1907, Columbus, Ohio.

The historic James Preston Poindexter was an abolitionist, civil rights activist, politician, and Baptist minister from Columbus, Ohio. He was born in Virginia but moved to Ohio as a young man. Poindexter was a man of integrity, faith, respect, and one who had a life long pursuit of social justice for all.

Poindexter Village

Poindexter Village was named in honor of Columbus, Ohio, community leader Rev. James Poindexter. The village was dedicated by President Franklin Roosevelt on Oct. 12, 1940 as one of the nation’s first public housing projects. This community represents the birth and history of public housing in this country and reflects Ohio’s place in the national story of the Great Migration.

Our Goal

The James Preston Poindexter Foundation’s goal is to showcase the rich history of Poindexter Village in the two buildings located at 270 N. Champion Avenue. Poindexter Village will soon be a Museum and Cultural Learning Center that will house programs, events, artifacts and stories about those who have been, are, and will be legacies in our community.

Support Central Ohio’s first African American Museum and Cultural Learning Center to be located in the two Historic Poindexter Village Buildings. JPPF has partnered with the Ohio History Connection to be their 59th site.



James Preston Poindexter Foundation

Yes, I want to provide my support for the preservation of African American history and culture through the James Preston Poindexter and Ohio History Connection.

Name _____

Address _____

E-mail _____

Phone # _____

Did you or a family member live in Poindexter Village? If Yes, please share their name, address, and year in Poindexter Village:

Please circle the following ways you would like to make contributions (all that apply):

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| Artifacts | Historical Documents |
| Memorabilia | Oral History |
| Photographs | Volunteerism |
| Books | Fundraising |
| Artwork | Financial Support |

