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Dayton Unit NAACP to Host Town Hall "Economic Development Strategy 2022 and Beyond"

DAYTON, OHIO – JULY 25, 2021 - The Dayton Unit of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) is hosting a Town Hall titled, "Economic Development Strategy 2022 and Beyond." The event will be held on Monday, July 26, 2021 at 6:45 pm via on Zoom and will broadcast live on the Dayton Unit NAACP Facebook page. The distinguished panelist will be a Representative from the City of Dayton Economic Development Department; Rennes Bowers, retired Dayton Firefighter and Mayoral Candidate; and Jeffrey J. Mims, Jr. Dayton City Commissioner and Mayoral Candidate. The moderator will be Bill Pollard, Chair of the Dayton Unit NAACP Economic Development Committee.

"The Dayton Unit NAACP is highly concerned about the lack of Employment Opportunities to include City, County and State Highway Construction Jobs; Small Business Development to include Retail Outlets, Restaurants and Service Facilities; and the lack of Franchise Businesses which are so prevalent in other areas of the Region," said Dr. Derrick L. Foward, President of the Dayton Unit NAACP. We look forward to hearing the great things the City of Dayton Economic Development Department has accomplished in 2021 and is embarking upon in 2022 and beyond. We also look forward to hearing from the Mayoral Candidates about their respective strategies to influence positive Economic Development outcomes," said Foward. The Citizens of Dayton are counting on you in a **BIG** way to enhance their quality of life.

Founded in 1915, the Dayton Unit of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) is the city's oldest and largest nonpartisan civil rights organization. Its members throughout the Dayton Region and Montgomery County are the premier advocates for civil rights in their communities. Their core goals are to *Inform, Educate* and *Empower* the Citizenry as they pursue justice and equality for all Americans.

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