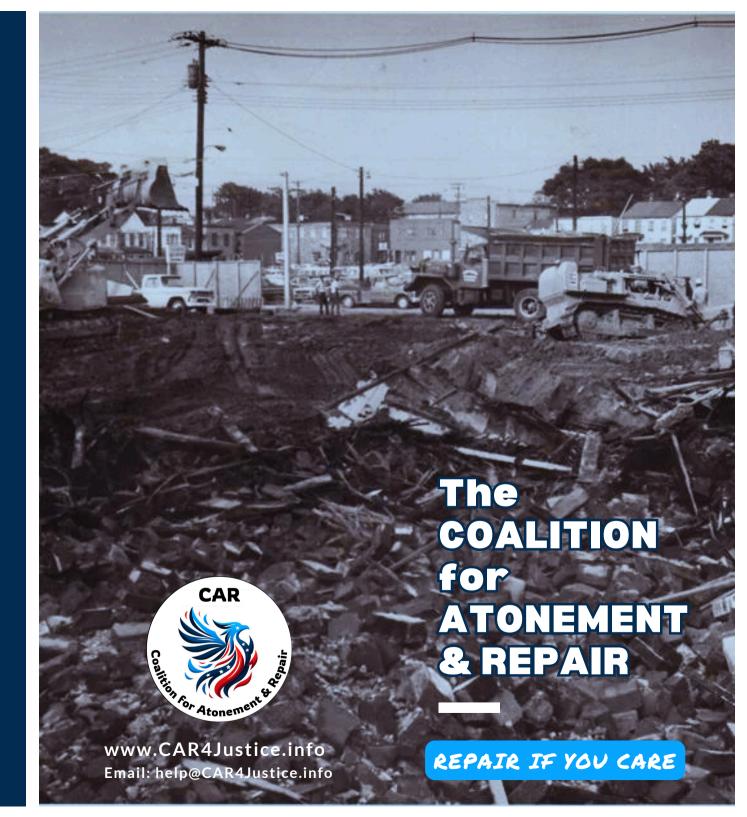
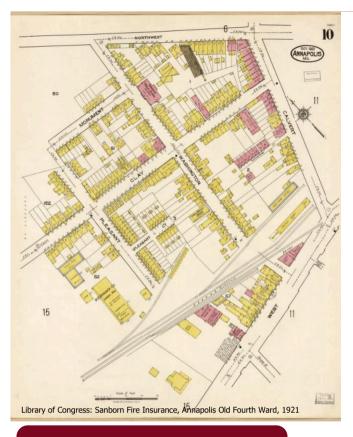
WHO IS THE COALITION FOR ATONEMENT + REPAIR - CAR?

OUR MISSION is to seek tangible repair for individuals, families, businesses, and communities impacted by discriminatory governmental actions through rehabilitation, restitution, compensation, satisfaction, and guarantee of non-repetition.

The Coalition for Atonement & Repair (CAR) is an Annapolis-based movement that includes, but is not limited to, former residents of the Old Fourth Ward, their descendants, current residents, former business owners, and community advocates seeking atonement and repair for harms caused by governmental action under the "Color of Law."

CAR is partnering with the Capitol Accountability Project (CAP) www.captaskforce.org who is providing facilitation and strategic support in our organizing efforts. This partnership ensures CAR is part of the national movement advocating for community-based transformative policies.





OUR CURRENT FOCUS

In the City of Annapolis, Maryland's capital, Old Fourth Ward families and businesses were affected by the local, state and federal complicity in Urban Renewal (aka Urban "Removal") in the 1960s -1970s resulting in:

- Lost housing, property or business
- Lost generational wealth
- Lost political influence
- Family separation
- Broken communities, and
- Psychological trauma and health issues



THE HISTORY

The Old Fourth Ward, known as the "Harlem of Annapolis," expressed the self-determination of its residents. This thriving community included Negro Freedmen families with their own elected officials. They owned their homes and businesses and ran their own social, political, and religious organizations.

But, in the early 1960s, local officials decided to enact Urban Renewal and change the city's landscape by adding more government buildings and parking lots for tourism and boat shows. This scattered and displaced the Old Fourth Ward families. Businesses were shut down. The City of Annapolis promised the residents and business owners they would be able to return to the newly built community; this never happened!

IMPACT ON TODAY

Today, the enduring impacts of these deplorable actions continue in Annapolis as exemplified by substandard housing, unsafe communities, and persistent inequities faced by the descendants of the Negro Freedmen, now known as African Americans. Obvious disparities continue in housing, education, employment, wealth, and health.

Direct repair is a critical part of the solution for these disparities because it will lead to <u>healing for all</u>.

JOIN THE MOVEMENT!

⇒ Be a part of righting history and creating a culture of repair.



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OLD FOURTH WARD PHOTOS OF residents, community, and businesses.

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