

# City of Cincinnati



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## STATEMENT

The economic wealth gap that persists between the Black and White communities in the City of Cincinnati is staggering. There is a clear history of redlining in our city that has led to and continues to perpetuate a racial wealth gap today. Black communities continue to be under-resourced and under-valued. There needs to be focus and intentionality with development that attracts and retains Black people all the while building Black wealth.

The Freeman District is a major step in that direction. It is a transformative investment lead by the Black community and Black business owners. It's a vision of Black-owned entertainment, dining, and living right in the heart of our city. Our rhetoric regarding inclusion and diversity in the City of Cincinnati must be followed up with action.