

**Facing Segregation: Building Strategies in Every Neighborhood
2019 Fair Housing Conference**

April 12, 2019

8:15 AM - 3:30 PM

Central Baptist Church, 2842 Washington Ave, St. Louis, MO 63103

Draft Agenda

- 7:45 AM **Registration Opens and Continental Breakfast**
- 8:15 AM **Welcome and Opening Remarks**
- 8:30 AM **Keynote: Segregation: A Threat to Americans' Shared Goals**
Molly Metzger, Assistant Professor, Brown School at Washington University in St Louis
- 9:15 AM **Featured Panels.** Each presentation will feature a book contributor to *Facing Segregation* discussing a specific framework for addressing issues of segregation with policy solutions, followed up by a highlight of local St. Louis example working on practical solutions.
Youth Centered Strategies for Community Development
William Tate, Dean, The Graduate School, Washington University in St Louis
Neal Richardson, President and CEO, Dream Builders 4 Equity
- 10:00 AM **Break**
- 10:10 AM Featured Panel: **Can We Live Together?: The Future of Inclusive Housing**
Jason Purnell, Associate Professor, Washington University; Director, Health Equity Works
Craig Owens, City Manager, City of Clayton
Adelaide Lancaster, Co-Founder, WeStories
- 10:50 AM Featured Panel: **Building Wealth in Concentrated Areas of Poverty**
John Taylor, President & Founder, National Community Reinvestment Coalition
Nikki Woelfel, Board Member, Metropolitan St. Louis CRA Association; Vice President - Community Development, Carrollton Bank
Gail Brown, President, Brown-Kortkamp Realty, Inc.
- 11:40 AM Special Presentation: **Equity Indicators for Housing and Community Development**
Cristina Garmendia, author of the City of St. Louis's 2018 Equity Indicators Baseline Report
- 12:15 PM **Lunch.** Boxed lunches are provided.

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Breakout Sessions. Concurrent 90-minute sessions will feature panels of local experts discussing solutions and action steps related to overcoming segregation, focusing on different strategies related to different types of neighborhoods.

1. Building Community, Building Wealth. This session will highlight initiatives working to expand access to credit, increase homeownership, reduce vacancy, and other strategies for investing in distressed neighborhoods.

2. What Works For Affordable Housing Trust Funds. This session will focus on on-going efforts to develop an Affordable Housing Trust Fund in St. Louis County, informed by lessons from the development and use of the Affordable Housing Trust Fund in the City of St. Louis.

3. The Right to Remain. This session will feature panelists discussing strategies in gentrifying and disinvested neighborhoods to preserve affordable housing and stop displacement.

4. Before the Tipping Point. This session will discuss strategies for stabilizing neighborhoods experiencing increased poverty, or “middle neighborhoods.”

3:00 PM

Closing Remarks