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IN CASE YOU MISSED IT: From the Ground Up, A Decade of Community Informed Development in Chicago's Woodlawn Neighborhood



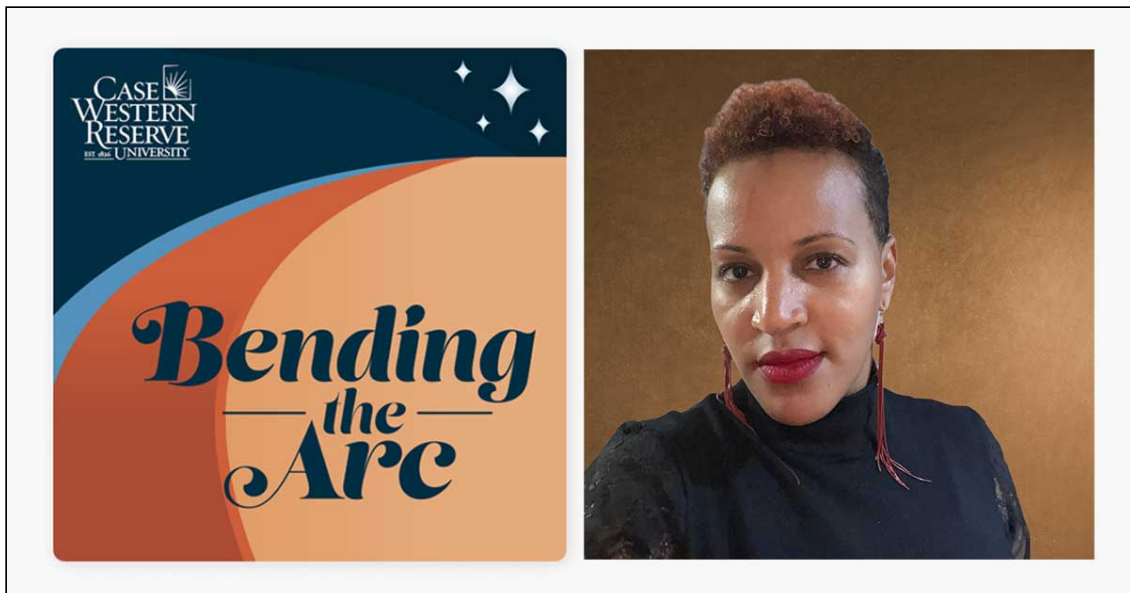
NIMC recently released a series of [publications](#) on the redevelopment of the Woodlawn neighborhood in Chicago, Illinois. In March, NIMC's Research Director Dr. Amy Khare, and University of Illinois - Chicago Associate Professor and NIMC Research Affiliate, Dr. April Jackson, [joined a panel](#) of incredible Chicago community development colleagues to discuss and

reflect on the research findings featured in the recent research report and companion brief on the Woodlawn neighborhood in Chicago.

CLICK THE LINK BELOW TO VIEW THE FULL DISCUSSION, INCLUDING COMMUNITY RESIDENTS, RESEARCHERS, AND COMMUNITY LEADERS



OUR NEW PODCAST EPISODE: DR. JANAY QUEEN NAZAIRE



In this episode of [Bending the Arc](#), we talk with Dr. JaNay Queen Nazaire, a national leader on creating wealth and wellbeing for people of color, with a particular focus on Black communities. Dr. Queen Nazaire currently serves as a Senior Advisor for PSG and as a Senior Fellow at PolicyLink. She is the co-founder of Black Gravity, a collaborative focused on closing the racial wealth gap, and co-founder of Builder's & Benefactors, a community of Black private equity and venture capital investors. Dr. Queen Nazaire wrote one of the closing essays in our volume [What Works to Promote Inclusive, Equitable Mixed-Income Communities](#). She used her essay to introduce the person-role-system framework as a tool for promoting racial equity. We talk about practical ways to turn racial equity intentions and goodwill into actual everyday actions. Check out the other eight episodes of Bending the Arc [here](#).

WHAT WE'RE LEARNING: RACE, WEALTH, & HEALTH



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Our colleagues at Urban Strategies, Inc. (USI) tell the stories of two Black women seeking to build wealth through homeownership. USI calls for accountability, and the dismantling of the historical racism that continues to be pervasive throughout the systems of banking, financing, and real estate that stand in the way of Black wealth-building. Read their stories here: [Race, Wealth, and Homeownership; The Time to Act is Long Overdue](#). Also check out USI's recently released 2021 Impact report on [Addressing Social Determinants and Culture of Health](#).

THANK YOU, DAWN

BEST WISHES ON YOUR NEXT OPPORTUNITY

Our colleague Dawn Ellis is leaving the National Initiative on Mixed-Income Communities for a new role at the [Begun Center for Violence Prevention Research and Education](#). Dawn started with NIMC in 2017 and has been a consistent asset to the team. Dawn brings a unique perspective to every conversation and we are so grateful for all her contributions over the years. We wish her the best of luck in her new role and we are thankful we will continue to have her as part of our community at the Mandel School and Case Western Reserve University.



WHAT INSPIRES US: MUTUAL SUPPORT & COMMUNITY

As we continue to be faced with the impacts of the pandemic, current domestic and international conflicts, we reach for inspiration and occasions where communities have come together to support one another, not out of charity or obligation, but out of shared experience and purpose. In the South Park neighborhood in Seattle, Washington, neighbors tackled the challenge of food insecurity with an innovative and adaptive approach during the pandemic. [Learn more](#) about their efforts and why we're

inspired by their community building practices.

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