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CLEVELAND NEIGHBORHOOD PROGRESS ANNOUNCES NEW LOCATIONS FOR THE UNDESIGN THE REDLINE EXHIBIT
Traveling exhibit will be on display through December 2019

(CLEVELAND, OH) – Cleveland Neighborhood Progress is proud to announce three new locations for the Undesign the Redline exhibit that will be accessible to the public. The traveling exhibit will be on display from April 15, 2019 through December 20, 2019. With the support of Enterprise Community Partners and Designing the WE, these new locations in Cleveland will increase visibility and promote ongoing facilitated dialogues about racial inequalities.

Cleveland Neighborhood Progress received six (6) proposals in response to its RFP. These proposals were submitted by community development corporations, academic institutions, and community nonprofits throughout Cleveland. The Undesign the Redline exhibit was created by Designing the WE and has been hosted locally at Mt. Pleasant NOW Development Corp. (MPNDC) by Cleveland Neighborhood Progress and Enterprise Community Partners since fall 2018. MPNDC will continue to host this exhibit through December 2019, while the traveling exhibit reaches new neighborhoods.

Erika Anthony, Vice President of Government Relations and Strategy at Neighborhood Progress states, “Cleveland Neighborhood Progress is excited to continue our work towards operationalizing Racial Equity and Inclusion. It is important to acknowledge the pervasive government–sanction polices that led to housing discrimination, and we are honor to see the continued commitment from community partners to ‘undesign the redline.’

The three new locations for the Undesign the Redline exhibit are:

April 15, 2019 to June 28, 2019
Host: Detroit Shoreway Community Development Organization & Cudell Improvement, Inc.
Location: 6016 Lorain Ave., Cleveland, OH, 44102
July 8, 2019 to September 27, 2019
Host: YWCA of Greater Cleveland
Location: 4019 Prospect Ave E, Cleveland, Ohio 44103

October 7, 2019 to December 20, 2019
Host: Trinity Episcopal Cathedral – Commons
Location: 2230 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44115

You will find additional information about the locations and days of operations for the exhibits at www.clevelandnp.org/undesigntheredline/

Undesign the Redline is an interactive exhibit that connects discriminatory federal policies and practices from the 1930s to political and social issues of today. This interactive exhibit highlights the powerful narratives of the people and communities most affected by the legacy of redlining. Participants are invited to learn the history, interact with the stories, and invent the future of undoing structural inequities.

Created by social impact firm Designing the We, the interactive exhibit uses maps and other documentation to trace the enormous role that race played in determining where people were allowed to live and how government-sanctioned policies, such as “redlining,” created segregation and disinvestment in communities that continue to persist today. Undesign the Redline seeks to inspire a new conversation about how we can undesign these systems and policies with intentionality and urgency, and influence the pathways that lead to better outcomes in communities.

Since January 2017, Cleveland Neighborhood Progress has led a citywide effort to build an inclusive, interdisciplinary coalition of civic stakeholders, community development practitioners, and grassroots leaders committed to advancing Racial Equity & Inclusion. To that end, the Undesign the Redline exhibit is a natural extension of the deeper awareness necessary to “undesign” the plethora of systems impacted by redlining.

About Cleveland Neighborhood Progress

Neighborhood Progress is a local community development funding intermediary with thirty years of experience investing in community revitalization work in the city of Cleveland. It serves a unique function as the only local intermediary in the region and is proud to be nationally highlighted as a leader for engaging in best practices in various facets of nonprofit programming. The Board and staff strive to lead industry partners on new and existing initiatives to improve the quality of Cleveland’s neighborhoods and the quality of life for Cleveland’s residents. For more information on Neighborhood Progress, please visit www.clevelandnp.org.
About Enterprise Community Partners Inc. and Enterprise Green Communities

Enterprise is a proven and powerful nonprofit that improves communities and people’s lives by making well-designed homes affordable. We bring together the nationwide know-how, partners, policy leadership and investments to multiply the impact of local affordable housing development. Over 35 years, Enterprise has created nearly 529,000 homes, invested $36 billion and touched millions of lives. Since 2004, Enterprise has led the effort through Enterprise Green Communities to integrate green practices into the affordable housing development sector, investing $3.9 billion to create or preserve more than 127,000 green, healthy homes while transforming policies at the state, local and national level. For more information on Enterprise Community Partners, please visit www.EnterpriseCommunity.org

About Designing the WE

Designing the WE is a for-benefit design studio positioned within the fields of social innovation and community driven social, cultural and economic development. dtW facilitates collaborative processes to redefine how big picture systemic challenges are approached, identify opportunities for action, and co-design more holistic and resilient strategies centered on positive transformation. For more information on Designing the WE, please visit http://www.designingthewe.com

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