

THE CITY CLUB OF CLEVELAND



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BELIEVING IN HOME

Friday, Aug. 27, 2021 at 12 p.m.





When a family moves into an affordable home, it has the potential to transform lives.

Having the opportunity to invest in a permanent address means improvements to children's health, increased job opportunities, and the power to revitalize struggling neighborhoods. Yet, homeownership is inaccessible for many families. Historic policies like redlining are at the root of the wealth gap found in communities of color—leading to common barriers today like expensive down payments and difficulty securing low-interest loans. This opened the door to predatory lenders and housing scams to prey on low-to-moderate income buyers. Now, with the recent surge in housing prices, homeownership is further out of reach.

We're discussing homeownership, and ways it can be used to build and achieve equity in our neighborhoods.

SPEAKER

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- One question per person. Make sure your question is an actual question, not a statement. Keep your question short, no follow-ups. This will allow us to fit in as many questions as possible.
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UPCOMING FORUMS

Friday, Sep. 3 at 12 p.m. In-Person Forum

How Rights Went Wrong: Why Our Obsession with Rights in Tearing America Apart

Rights are a sacred part of American identity. Yet they also are the source of some of our greatest divisions. The varying responses to preventative measures enacted to stem the COVID-19 pandemic is a clear example of these divisions—especially today as students return to in-classroom instruction. Jamal Greene argues that the system of legal absolutism distorts our law, debases our politics, and exacerbates our differences rather than helping to bridge them.

Friday, Sep. 10 at 12 p.m. In-Person Forum

Brick by Brick: Building Hope and Opportunity for Women Survivors Everywhere

Karen Sherman has spent her life advocating for women in war-torn and transitional countries such as Iraq, Afghanistan, Bosnia, Congo, Nigeria, Rwanda, South Sudan, Kosovo, and the former Soviet Union. Throughout her 30-year career in global development, Sherman has met and interviewed thousands of women. Her book, "Brick by Brick -- Building Hope and Opportunity for Women Survivors Everywhere", tells the powerful story of seven of these women, who are building lives and raising families despite the brutal challenges of war, genocide, and inequality.

Wednesday, Sept. 22 at 12 p.m. In-Person Forum at Renaissance Cleveland Hotel

2021 State of Schools

Join us for the annual tradition of hearing from CMSD CEO Eric S. Gordon, leader of the region's largest public school district — a district whose improvement many believe is key to the future success of our city and region.

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