



# Racial Equity and Housing Forum

**TUES APRIL 20 | 6:30-8PM**

**Online Via Zoom**

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*What is the history of housing discrimination in the US, Massachusetts, and Amherst?*

*How can we move forward: If you're not part of the solution, you're part of the problem!*

## Main Topics:

1. History of Fair Housing in Massachusetts and the US
2. Exclusion of Black Persons from Amherst Housing
  - Evidence from archival research
  - Evidence from oral history
3. Assuring Access to Affordable Housing
4. Increasing Housing Diversity of increase Population Diversity
5. Beyond Affordable Housing: Normalizing opportunities for access to Amherst housing for persons of color
6. Advocating for Changes at the State Level

## Our Speakers

- Whitney Demetrius, CHAPA
- Michele Miller and Matthew Andrews, *Reparations for Amherst*
- Demetria Shabazz and Isolda Ortega, *Racial Equity Task Force of Amherst*
- Keith Fairey, *Wayfinders*
- Jane Loechler, *Valley Community Development*
- Kathleen Anderson, *NCOBRA*
- Francine Rodriguez, *Family Outreach of Amherst*
- John Hornik, *Amherst Municipal Affordable Housing Trust*



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