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LCDC Presents "Lawndale United: Development for a Stronger Community" - A Celebration of Black History and Community Collaboration

Chicago, IL - February 2, 2024 - Lawndale Christian Development Corporation (LCDC) proudly announces "Lawndale United: Development for a Stronger Community," an inspiring community event set to take place on February 23rd from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM at North Lawndale College Prep. This event is not just a celebration of Black History; it is a commitment to fostering collaboration and driving community development within the heart of Lawndale.

"Lawndale United" encapsulates the essence of LCDC's mission – to build a resilient, collaborative, and empowered community. Rooted in a rich history and fueled by a collective mission, this event aims to bring together residents, local leaders, and LCDC in a celebration of unity, resilience, and shared aspirations.

Key Highlights:

- **A Warm Reintroduction to LCDC:** "Lawndale United" offers a welcoming atmosphere, reintroducing the community to LCDC's commitment to fostering development from within.
- **Celebrating Black History:** This event serves as a fellowship celebration of Black History, acknowledging the rich contributions of the Black community in Lawndale and beyond.
- **Resource Tables:** Attendees will have access to key resources about LCDC's work, including a homeownership table, co-op initiatives, financial support, and more. Notable figures will be available to provide insights and answer questions.
- **Engagement with Community Leaders:** LCDC's leadership, including Richard and Whitney, will be present to engage with the community, offering their perspectives and commitments to realizing the community's vision.





- **Interactive and Inclusive Flow:** The event is designed to be interactive, with opportunities for Q&A and lots of interaction, ensuring that the community's voice is heard and valued.

Community Visioning Workshop: "Dreaming Together for North Lawndale"

In addition to the celebratory aspect, "Lawndale United" will feature a Community Visioning Workshop. This workshop aims to bring community members, stakeholders, and LCDC together to collaboratively envision the future of North Lawndale. Through interactive activities, discussions, and engagement, participants will contribute their ideas, aspirations, and feedback, fostering a sense of collective ownership in shaping the community's destiny.

Follow-Up and Future Initiatives: LCDC is committed to capturing the insights gathered during the event and sharing a summary report with participants. This report will highlight key takeaways and outline how community input will influence upcoming projects. LCDC will continue to engage the community through regular updates, newsletters, and targeted initiatives based on the insights gathered during this event.

Join Us at "Lawndale United": LCDC invites all residents, homeowners, seasoned neighbors, board members, cooperative members, building residents, and North Lawndale businesses to join in this enriching celebration of community and development. RSVP and be part of the journey to build a stronger, more connected Lawndale.

About Lawndale Christian Development Corporation (LCDC): Founded in 1987 by the Lawndale Christian Community Church, LCDC has been at the forefront of addressing social issues, eliminating disparities, and building community wealth in North Lawndale. Under the visionary leadership of Executive Director Richard Townsell, LCDC has championed transformative initiatives, including affordable housing development, community organizing campaigns, and strategic partnerships aimed at dismantling systemic poverty and structural racism.

