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Dear KIJIJI Family,
February is a time of reflection, celebration, and forward movement. As we honor Black History Month, we do more than look back—we build forward, drawing strength from our past to shape our future.

At KIJIJI, history is more than a commemoration; it is the foundation on which we stand. We are the architects of a new narrative, one that reclaims land, restores community, and redefines Black homeownership with intention and legacy.

This month, let us channel the spirit of our ancestors—the builders, the visionaries, the revolutionaries—who knew that ownership is power, that community is strength, and that our collective future depends on what we create today.

Black history is being written in real-time. Let's continue building.

With purpose and power,
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A Future Built on Legacy and Self-Determination

As we celebrate Black History Month, we reflect on the extraordinary resilience, ingenuity, and contributions of African Americans throughout history. From the moment we arrived on these shores, we have fought not just for survival, but for the right to live lives of dignity, prosperity, and self-determination. **Despite every obstacle, we have built, innovated, and led—shaping this nation in ways that cannot be erased.**

Today, we stand at a defining moment. **KIJIJI Villages is more than a housing development; it is an affirmation of our right to design our own communities, control our own narratives, and reclaim our economic power. It is a movement rooted in the conviction that Black prosperity is not an aspiration—it is an imperative.**

WE DEMAND DECENT HOUSING NOW!
WE DEMAND AN FEPC LAW NOW!
MARCH ON WASHINGTON FOR JOBS AND FREEDOM
WE WANT FREEDOM
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REGISTRATION
CONSTITUTION
YES
SEGREGATION

In an era where our culture, history, and humanity are increasingly challenged, **KIJIJI Villages offers a pathway forward—one that is grounded in hope, strength, and the undeniable power of collective action.**

The Power of Ownership: A Legacy We Must Protect

Throughout history, ownership has been the foundation of generational wealth and stability. **From Black Wall Street to the farmers and entrepreneurs who sustained our communities despite segregation and systemic barriers, economic self-sufficiency has always been our key to resilience.**

Yet, today, Black homeownership and land ownership are under threat—whether through gentrification, predatory financial practices, or policies that exclude us from wealth-building opportunities. **KIJIJI Villages is an intentional counterforce to this trend.**

We are building communities where:

✅ **Homeownership is not just accessible, but transformative**—creating wealth that can be passed down for generations.
✅ **Architecture reflects our culture and heritage**—ensuring that Black communities are places of beauty, identity, and belonging.
✅ **Families are empowered with economic and educational resources**—because homeownership is not just about housing, but about securing a future.

This is not just about real estate. **It is about ensuring that our children inherit more than stories of struggle—they inherit legacies of wealth, pride, and self-sufficiency.**

Honoring the Past, Building the Future

One of the most profound lessons from our history is that **progress has always been driven by our ability to create spaces where we are protected, nurtured, and empowered.**

The Tuskegee Airmen exemplified this. In my previous article on **the dismantling of DEI and the enduring legacy of the Tuskegee Airmen**, I explored how these pioneers overcame systemic barriers, proving that Black excellence will rise, no matter the opposition. **They demanded to be seen, respected, and given the opportunities they rightfully earned.**

KIJIJI Villages carries that same spirit forward. We refuse to wait for permission to thrive. **We are designing our own spaces, writing our own narratives, and ensuring that the next generation stands on a foundation built by us, for us.**

Every home we build is more than brick and mortar. It is a declaration:

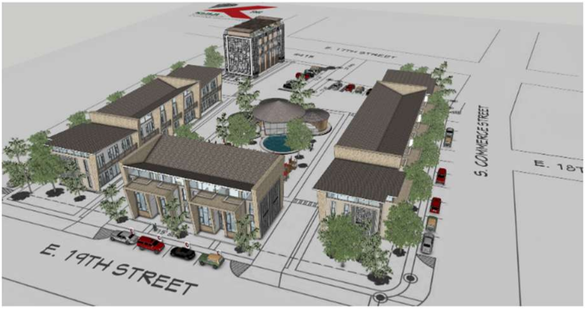
- **We belong here.**
- **Our history matters.**
- **Our communities will not be erased or displaced.**
- **Our future is not dictated by systemic barriers—it is defined by our vision.**

Reclaiming Our Place in the Future

Despite the challenges we face today, **we have every reason to be hopeful.** Across the country, we are witnessing a renewed movement toward Black ownership, cooperative economics, and community-driven development.

At KIJIJI Villages, we see this as a call to action:

- 📌 **We will continue to develop communities that center Black families, Black culture, and Black prosperity.**
- 📌 **We will educate our people on financial literacy, homeownership, and wealth-building strategies.**
- 📌 **We will forge global connections, ensuring that our communities in the U.S., Africa, and the diaspora stand together in solidarity and progress.**



Our vision does not stop at one city or one neighborhood. **This is a blueprint for transformation on a national and global scale.**

An Invitation to Build With Us

This Black History Month, as we honor those who came before us, **let us also make a commitment to those who will come after us.**

The future is ours to design. **Let's build it together.**

If you believe in this vision—whether as a homeowner, investor, or advocate—**KIJIJI Villages is your invitation to be part of a legacy that will last for generations.**

This is not just about homes. **It is about power. It is about self-determination. It is about us.**

KIJIJI Villages: Our Homes. Our Wealth. Our Future.

This Black History Month, let's move beyond reflection and into action.
The time is now…

What’s Up? Events: February – March 2025

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1. **Feb 7 - 23: WildWoods AGLOW | Fernbank Museum**
2. **Feb 7 - 28: Love Is in the Air at Amore e Amore | Amore e Amore Restaurant**
3. **Feb 7 - 28: Monthlong Black History Month Celebration | Children’s Museum of Atlanta**
4. **Feb 7 - 8: Lunar New Year Festival | Stone Mountain Park**
5. **Feb 12 - 16: Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater | Fox Theatre**
6. **Feb 13 - Mar 16: Theatre: BUST (Humor, Spectacle & Surrealism) | Alliance Theatre**
7. **Feb 14: Heart Party at the High | High Museum of Art**
8. **Feb 14 - 15: Taste of Love Dinner | Omni Atlanta Hotel**
9. **Feb 15: 5K Race to End Homelessness | Pemberton Place**
10. **Feb 15: African American Folktales | Lawrenceville Arts Center**
11. **Feb 16: SANKOFA: A Celebration of Our Legacy | SW Fulton County Arts Center**
12. **Feb 20: Music: Goapele Live | City Winery Atlanta**
13. **Feb 21: Music: Jazz Trumpeter Jhefte Pierr Live | The Velvet Note**
14. **Feb 21: Theatre: John Lewis: Good Trouble (Free Screening) Rialto Center for the Arts**
15. **Feb 21 - 23: Young Life Africa Celebration | Hotel Colee - Buckhead**
16. **Feb 22: TEDXEmory Conference 2025: Uncharted | Emory University – McDonough Field**
17. **Feb 22: Beer, Bourbon, and BBQ Festival | Atlantic Station**
18. **Feb 22 - Mar 1: FESPACO-Panafrican Film & TV Festival of Ouagadougou (largest film festival in Africa) | Burkina Faso**
19. **Feb 24 - 26: Trace Awards & Summit (event honoring outstanding achievements in African and Afro-inspired music and culture) | Zanzibar, Tanzania**
20. **Feb 29 - Mar 8: Rio Carnival (iconic festival featuring parades, music, and dance, celebrating Rio’s Afro-Portuguese heritage) | Rio de Janeiro, Brazil**
21. **Mar 1 - 2: Atlanta Brunch Festival | Atlantic Station**
22. **Mar 1-9: Theatre: MacBeth presented by The Atlanta Opera | Cobb Energy Centre**
23. **Mar 2: Theatre: The Voices of Donny Hathaway (a musical) | AMC Performance Company**
24. **Mar 6 - 10: Atlanta Salsa & Bachata Festival | https://www.atlantasbf.com**
25. **Mar 7 - 10: WOMADelaide Music Festival (festival celebrating global music, arts, and dance, with performances by artists such as Nigerian afropop star Yemi Alade)| Adelaide, Australia**

26. **Mar 8: Women Mean Business Leadership Conference | Agnes Scott College**
27. **Mar 8: Music: Jazz at Lincoln Center's New Orlean Songbook | Rialto Center for the Arts**
28. **Mar 8 - 22: Atlanta Science Festival | Piedmont Park |** https://atlantasciencefestival.org
29. **Mar 17 - 18: African Film Festival Atlanta |** https://africanfilmfestatl.com

Know More....

Visit KIJIJI Atlanta Events for more details.

Thank you for supporting KIJIJI Atlanta and helping us celebrate the beauty of Black culture through architecture. Let's build a future together that is rooted in heritage and powered by community.

For inquiries or collaborations, contact us via our website or social channels.

KIJIJI ATLANTA celebrates the beauty of Black Culture through African Architecture/Design while fostering strong community throughout Black Atlanta

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