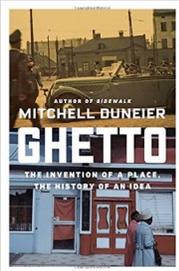


Building One New Jersey

*Policy Forum on Race, Place, and Opportunity
Princeton University - Frist Campus Center - December 16, 2016 – 1 PM to 4 PM*

Please join us for a forum on Race, Place, and Opportunity in New Jersey.



Despite much of the rhetoric from pundits, pollsters and politicians in the aftermath of a bitter presidential fight, racial justice and economic opportunity are *not* mutually exclusive nor should they be competing interests. For working people of *all* colors and backgrounds, they are inextricably linked but must be untangled if we are to effectively build and sustain multi-racial coalitions powerful enough to advance our common interests and defend our shared values.

Our conversation on December 16 will explore the intersection of these two forces and make a compelling case that the enduring legacy and current crisis of racial and economic segregation in our society is preventing *all of us* from realizing our full potential politically, educationally, socially and economically.

Princeton professor **Mitchell Duneier** will discuss his new book *Ghetto: The Invention of a Place, the History of an Idea*. It is an important and well-timed examination of the history and legacy of the ghetto as a social, psychological, and physical construct as documented by renowned African American scholars throughout the twentieth century. It is a history that informs present day segregation in America including its impact on our current political dysfunction, policy failures and inability to respond effectively - *and even speak coherently* - to the issues of racial justice and economic inequality.



Algernon Austin, of Demos and former director of the Economic Policy Institute's Program on Race and the Economy and **Lawrence Levy** of the National Center for Suburban Studies at Hofstra

University will provide context including political analysis related to the recent election - and a panel of local leaders with Rutgers law professor **Elise Boddie**, former director of litigation for the NAACP Legal Defense Fund, will help provide further reaction and context.



We will close with a brief holiday reception and award ceremony recognizing some of Building One New Jersey's important allies and champions of economic and racial justice including: **Montclair Councilman and NJEA Secretary Treasurer Sean Spiller**, **Antoinette Brevard** of St. Luke CDC, **John Ballantyne** of the Northeast Regional Council of Carpenters, **Marlene Lao-Collins** of Catholic Charities, **Reverend Dr. Lester Taylor** of the General Baptist Convention and **William Castner** of Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield. There will also be a tribute to **Mayor Lizette Parker**, Building One New Jersey's 2014 Elected Leader of the Year, who tragically and unexpectedly passed away earlier this year.



The forum will take place at the Frist Campus Center at Princeton University on Friday, December 16, from 1 pm to 4 pm. You will find sponsorship levels and where to register on line at buildingoneamerica.org or email info@buildingoneamerica.org or call 609-206-8572 for more information.

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