

JUNE 13 EVENING PROGRAM
**DISINVESTMENT & REINVESTMENT
IN MIDWESTERN CITIES**

Sustainability in the built environment is typically associated with reducing the environmental impact and increasing the resilience of materials and systems. However, there is additionally a social dimension to sustainability in the built environment, one that considers the impact that architecture, urban design, and development patterns can have in reinforcing segregation, disinvestment, and impoverishment.

Professor Olon Dotson will discuss the social dimension of sustainability, examining from an architectural perspective the extent of the distress and abandonment commonly found in the cores of American cities resulting from de-industrialization, historic segregation and discrimination patterns, suburban sprawl, erosion of a viable tax base, crumbling infrastructure systems, disinvestment in urban school systems, and environmental justice issues.

He will share how **reflecting directly on these “fourth world conditions” as a product of the racialization of place can help the architecture and other development professions begin to tackle them productively.**

Mr. Dotson will be joined by Sal Martinez, the current board president of the Community Builders Network and the executive director of North Newstead Association. **Mr. Martinez will present some of the latest development initiatives underway in the Near North neighborhoods of St. Louis**, including the new National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency facility and the implementation of the Near North Side Master Plan through a HUD Choice Neighborhoods grant. These initiatives represent a first move towards reinvestment in the built environment of distressed areas.

WHEN

**TUESDAY, JUNE 13, 2017
5:30 - 7:30 pm**

Registration & Networking
from 5:30 - 6:15 pm

Formal Presentation
from 6:15 - 7:30 pm

WHERE

Sheet Metal Workers Local 36
2319 Chouteau, Suite 200 (63103)

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Free for USGBC-MGC
& SLACO Members as well as
Full-time Students;
\$20 for Non-members

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1 GBCI CE Hour

REGISTRATION

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SPEAKERS



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