Taking Small Steps Toward Systemic Equity

Municipal Examples and Lessons Learned



Montevallo -Alabama's Unconventional Oasis

Our Mission:

To enhance, enrich, and empower the lives of everyone who works, plays, and stays in our city.

Quick Facts: US Census Bureau

People Quick Facts	Montevallo	Alabama	USA
Population, 2019 estimate	6,738	4,903,185	316,128,839
Land area, square miles	12.59	50,645	3.3797 M
High school graduate or higher	89.4%	85.8%	87.7%
Bachelors degree or higher	29.0%	24.9%	31.5%
Home ownership rate, 2013-2017	57.1%	68.6%	63.8%
Median value of owner – occupied housing units	\$155,400	\$137,200	\$204,900
Per capita money income	\$20,024	\$26,846	\$32,621
Median Household income	\$41,720	\$48,486	\$60,293
Persons below poverty level, percentage 2008 – 2012	20.1%	16.8%	11.8%

Tough times = Greater opportunities for diverse leadership

- International Property Maintenance Code*
- Prentice Village Neighborhood Revitalization*
- Non-discrimination Ordinance**
- Education from Cradle to Career**
- Flag conflicts
- Recycling**
- Mask Resolution
- Black Lives Matter
- Local shootings**
- Historic Marker
- Animal Tethering**



BLACK LIVES MATTER

^{*} Town Hall Meetings

^{**} Public Forums





Youth as Civic Leaders

MJCC Mission: To improve youth civic engagement and quality of life.



Embrace and Sustain Community-Based Leadership Opportunities

PROTECTING OUR BOYS, MEN AND CITY

A Chat with the Mayor and Friends
Scott's Village Rear Lot
June 2, 2020
4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

COME VOICE YOUR CONCERNS AND IDEAS
PLEASE PRACTICE SOCIAL DISTANCING, 8FT APART MASKS
NOT REQUIRED, BUT RECOMMENDED





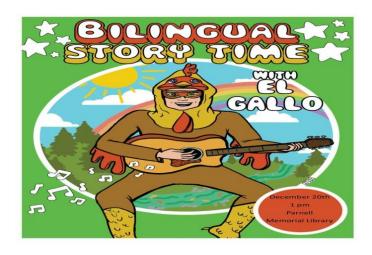
Engaging our Hispanic Community

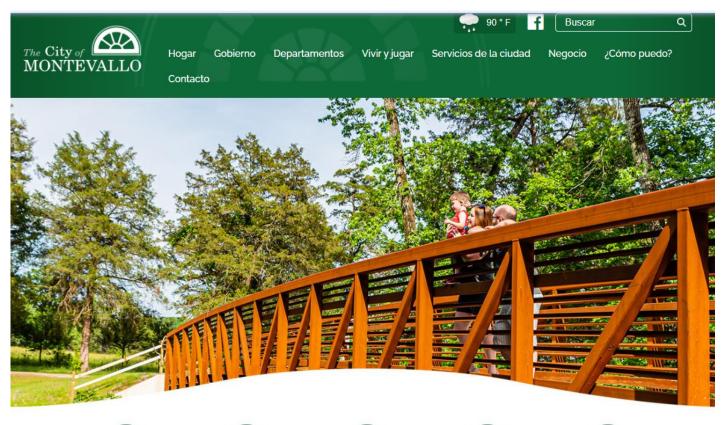
DELIBERATIVE FORUM:

"Cradle to Career"

Addressing education as a family, school, and community.

Join community members to identify and discuss concerns and ideas regarding education "from cradle to career" in Montevallo.





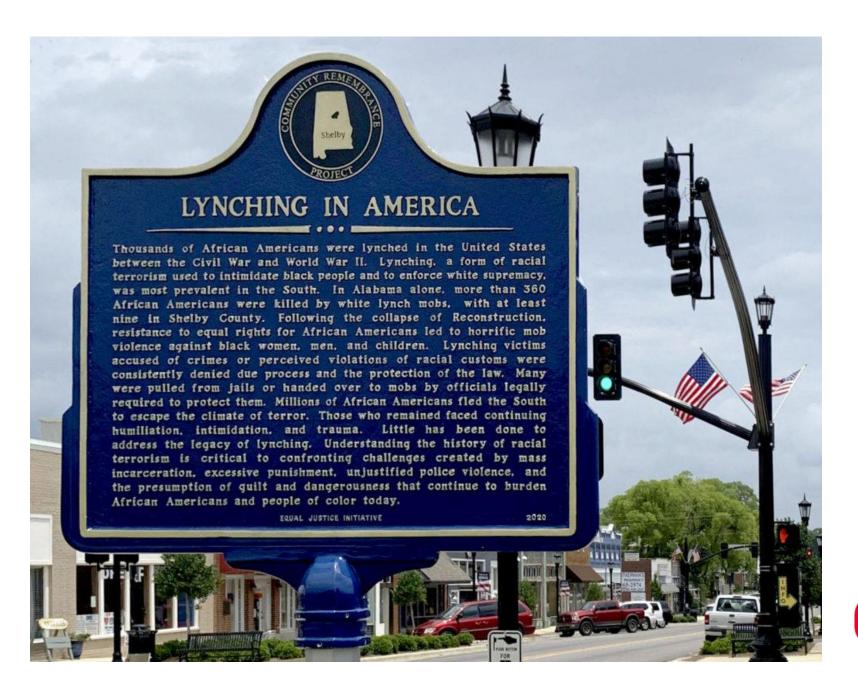












Empowering
Diverse
Leadership
through Racial
Healing



Lessons Learned

- Diversity and inclusion must be intentional and systemic
- Diverse board membership is critical.
- Diverse community "champions" must have a seat at every table.
- The table must be welcoming, relevant and accessible to all.
- If everyone at the table looks like you, it must be reset.
- Community dialogue promotes unity and individual empowerment.
- Something will go wrong.
- Sometimes you will be pleasantly surprised.

