



The Future of East 38 Street

Future of E 38th Street: History and Storytelling **Summary and themes from small group discussions**

What memory, emotion, or hope do you have for the E 38th Street area?

- Love of vital small businesses
- Activities and support for youth
- Connected and caring neighborhood

“I was born on Fourth Avenue”

The momento I brought is a record album in memory of Jet Record Shop on 38th Street. I used to save my lunch money to buy records.”

“Sabathani Church and all the glorious services we had”

“Neighbors looking out for one another”

What about our history is important to preserve in building our future?

- African American History & Significant places: including Sabathani & Spokesman-Recorder
- Small business community
- Green spaces: parks and gardens
- Architecture and design elements

“Keep money in our community” “shop local”

“Keep the Spokesman-Recorder as a historic site”

How can we do it? (preserve our history)

- Develop historical markers, museum, or other recognition of African American history, including people and places
- Use art, social media, storytelling and other creative methods to record, retell and recognize area history
- Preserve the spirit of the community (close, caring, connected, diverse)
- Review Land Use and common design elements for area

“Reopen the Dreamland Café!”

“Make a mural showing the layout of community ... decade by decade”

“Museum in the streets”

“Preserve Sabathani Community Center!”