

FREE PUBLIC POLICY FORUM

RACE & INFANT MORTALITY IN NORTHEAST OHIO:

Why are black babies dying more and what can be done?

WHEN: **Wednesday, September 27, 2017**
7:00–8:30 pm

COST: **Free & Open to the Public**

WHERE: **Heights Public Library Main Branch**
2345 Lee Road
Cleveland Heights, OH 44118

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Ohio has one of the highest rates of infant death for black mothers in the country. Northeast Ohio is ground zero for the crisis, as more African American babies are born in Cuyahoga County than in any other part of the state, and these babies die at three times the rate of those born to white mothers.

Why is the problem so bad for the black community in particular, what role does racism in our neighborhoods and institutions play, and what can and should be done to fix it? Join us for a lively discussion, and bring your opinions and observations about how race influences the lives of Northeast Ohio mothers and their babies.

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