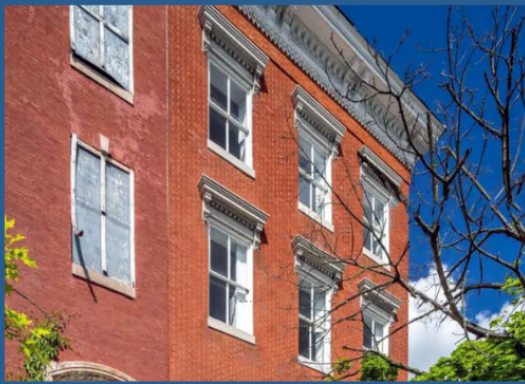


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# PRESS RELEASE

**The African American Heritage Preservation Foundation, Inc.** provides a \$10,000 grant to the Upton Planning Community, Inc. (UPC) for the restoration of Congressman Parren J. Mitchell's home in Baltimore, Maryland.

The African American Heritage Preservation Foundation, Inc. has recently launched their African American Endangered Sites Matching Grants Pilot Program to support eligible 501(3) organizations to complete its restoration and maintenance projects for historic sites.

The Parren J. Mitchell House represents the legacy of a pioneering civil rights leader and a significant chapter in American history. Congressman Mitchell served in the US House of Representatives for 16 years.

The structure was built in 1855 and was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in June 2023.

UPC was gifted the final home of Congressman Parren Mitchell, just north of downtown Baltimore City. UPC now oversees the landmark Parren Mitchell House, which pays homage to Congressman Mitchell as a cultural and political leader.

Once restored, the historic site will serve as the UPC's headquarters, Parren J. Mitchell Museum, an events and retreat center for Baltimore's Harlem Park community.

UPC has already secured \$2.4 million of the \$2.6 million budget for the restoration. Construction will begin in the Summer of 2024 and the scheduled completion date is in the Winter of 2025. UPC Partners include the Neighborhood Design Center and the architectural firm, Quinn Evans.

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