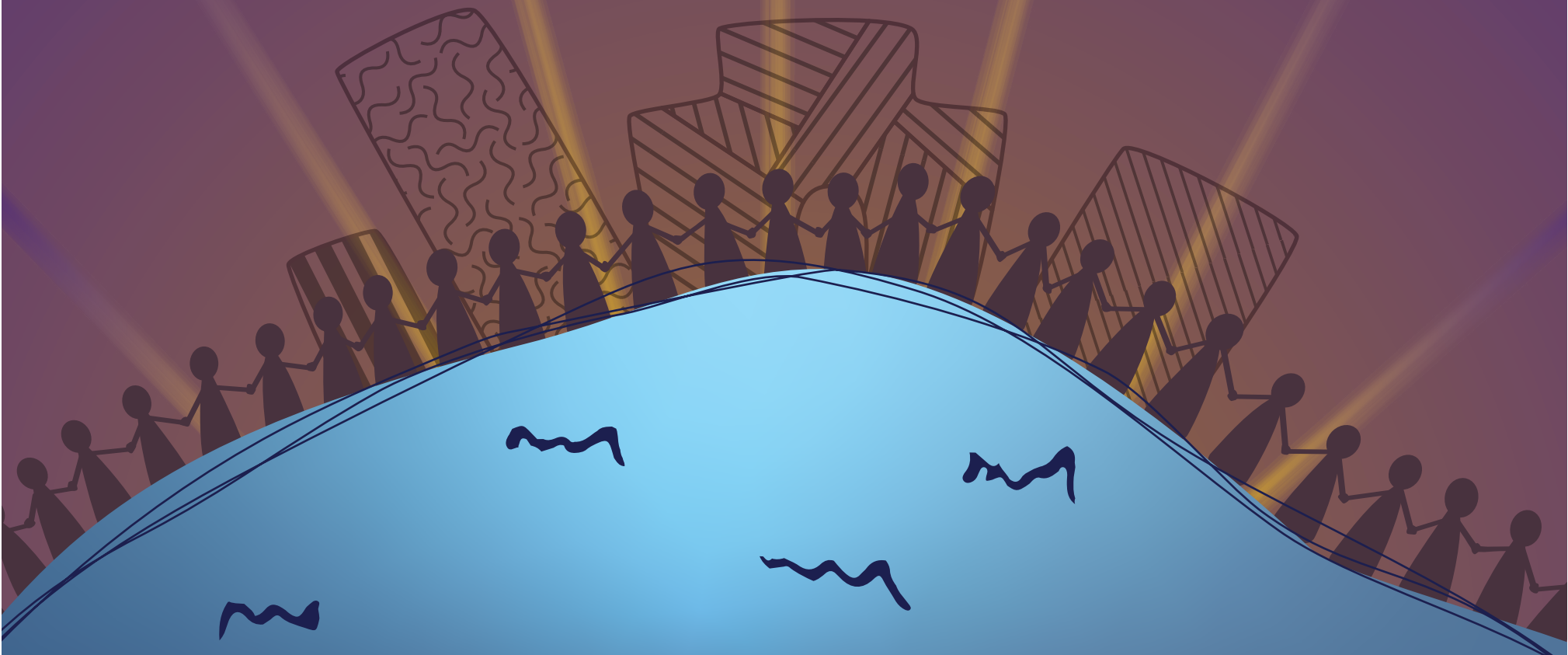


ELEVATE

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www.blackculturalzone.org

The East Oakland Black Cultural Zone Collaborative (BCZ) works with residents, government agencies, churches, and grassroots groups to keep Black folks in East Oakland. We are organized around four priorities: **Placekeeping, Arts and Cultural Preservation, Economic Development, and Quality of Life.** These priorities are meant to impact East Oakland residents who have experienced deep disinvestments over time and can be applied to any Black community.

By **building power, securing land, and directing money** to community-driven projects, we can secure the foothold that allows our neighborhoods to thrive. Our vision of freedom is grounded in our collective self-determination. We believe when Black people are free, all are free. If you would like to secure your Black community in Oakland, please contact us at: info@blackculturalzone.org

PLACEKEEPING

We hold and elevate our presence here. We respect Black diversity in all its beauty, differences, and expressions. We are devoted to equitable, intergenerational participation and deeply bonding with others throughout the Diaspora.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

SHOW UP at actions in support of repurposing land for community use and help us activate and maintain Liberation Park in Deep East Oakland. Find out about these actions on our website or email us at: info@blackculturalzone.org

ENGAGE with your council member and other elected officials about these actions.

SUPPORT these highlighted Placekeeping resources:

Blink! Lab Architecture (blink-lab.com)

Commons Oakland

(studio-bba.com/project/oakland-commons)

Designing Justice (designingjustice.org)

East Bay for Everyone (eastbayforeveryone.org)

East Bay Permanent Real Estate Cooperative (ebprec.org)

Neighborhood Housing Services of the East Bay

(richmondnhs.org)

Original Blackprint (originalblackprint.com)

Repaired Nations (repairednations.org)

The DEEP Grocery Cooperative (thedeepgrocery.coop)

For more businesses visit blackculturalzone.org

We invite you to EMBRACE our purpose, SUPPORT our collaborative, HONOR our values, INVEST in our vision, and EXPLORE the question: **What can I do to elevate Black voices in Oakland?**

