- **Nate Paulk, Executive Director – Trinity Community Commons**
- **Meredith DiMenna, Director of Operations – Trinity Community Commons**

ABOUT TCC:
TCC is located in a 16,000 sf facility in the urban core of Nashville in a diverse community, 67% African American with an above average unemployment rate even before COVID but with tremendous growth in population, housing prices, housing units, property taxes, retail and other development. The facility is owned by the United Methodist Church, who has taken the bold step of asking the community to reveal how the building can best serve them and meet their needs. In a place like Nashville, all kinds of creative things have been done with old, sacred buildings which once were community hubs....but they almost always decrease how accessible those spaces are for community members. We are preserving the space while increasing access for all people.

Nate's history in the community - installed in the building in 2013 with a mandate to "try something new". The new connections built in the community centered around:

- healing broken relationships (recognizing complicated history of church, was known as the "white church")
- earning the trust of a community
- holding space for the right partners (initial strategy was to say yes to anything that breathed life into the space, now we are curating the right partners)

Mission:
TCC leverages sacred space to affirm and activate the worth and potential of all people in our community. Committed to radical hospitality, ongoing listening, and creating paths of access for community members to gather and grow.

Programs:

- Paths of access: health and wellness, personal development, spirituality, arts and science, ways to give, ways to serve,

Trends:

- Applying best practices from marketing and business to connect community members to resources
- Ongoing needs for mental health services in low income communities and African American families in particular

How the community can play a part in your efforts: visit our website and click on "Volunteer"

Upcoming Events

- The Community Meal is every Tuesday night.
- Once a month, free vegetable giveaway
- Launch of the text service

Spotlight for your efforts

- Partnership with TLC, virtual learning support - finding opportunity in crisis

Current initiatives:

- Working with a team of architects to redesign the space. We want to maintain the sacred feel of it, while making it more accessible for the community. Upcoming capital campaign to upgrade ventilation system, electrical, accessibility, security, streaming capability

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➢ Chuck Lane, Director of Education and Training – BluSky

- BluSky Healthcare training initiative
- BluSky training and employee development programs
- 2020 disaster response work (Nashville tornado, Mid-West Derecho, Hurricane Sally, Laura, Delta)

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➢ Cortney Richardson, Chief Marketing and Community Engagement Officer – Peer Power Foundation

Learn about **Peer Power Foundation** and their unique model of employing high performing college students to tutor and mentor high school students, their partnership with The University of Memphis, impact with more than 1.2 million #tutoring hours and increased test scores, their new virtual learning lab that is accessible to students across the state of #Tennessee, and more via my cityCURRENT #RadioShow interview with **Cortney Richardson**, their Chief Marketing and Community Engagement Officer and one of the founding tutors: https://youtu.be/L3IZYetHxQo

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