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**Working to achieve to racial equity in
Yellow Springs 365 days a year**

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Mission Statement: The 365 Project promotes African American heritage, culture, and educational opportunities by facilitating courageous conversations, coordinating programs, and responding to public issues related to racial equity 365 days a year.

The 365 Project is a Yellow Springs- based nonprofit organization formed in 2008 by a multi-racial group of Yellow Springs residents. The group has had a particular focus on education because of its ability to empower marginalized groups. It has noted achievement gaps between African American and other Yellow Springs students, has hosted periodic panel discussions under the theme “Growing Up Black in Yellow Springs,” and hosts the annual Elaine Comegys Film Festival at which films are screened for Yellow Spring High School students followed by facilitated discussions of the films.

Current Programs:

- hosting periodic panel discussions and other presentations;
- Training Yellow Spring school students to conduct “Blacks in Yellow Springs” walking tours from June through August;
- Periodic screenings of films related to Black culture;
- Annual Young People of Color and Friends July Pool Party;
- Field trips for youth and adults to area sites related to Black culture;
- Affirmative marketing brochure to include Black people to consider making their home in Yellow Springs;
- Publisher of *Blacks in Yellow Springs: A Community Encyclopedia*, in 2020, and annual and biannual supplements to the encyclopedia;
- Distributor of *Legacy of Grace: Musings on the Life and Times of Wheeling Gaunt* by Brenda Hubbard, both now available;
- Administrator since of the Citizens Action Reparations Fund to assist Yellow Springs residents of African descent;
- Fiscal sponsor for the Yellow Springs Kwanza Planning Committee, and the Yellow Springs Martin Luther King Day Planning Committee, and the Yellow Springs Juneteenth Planning Committee;



Guides Lila Crockett & Ezra Lydy lead Juneteenth 2025 “MLK and Coretta Scott King’s Yellow Springs” Tour



National Underground Railroad Freedom Center (Cincinnati) Field Trip

The 365 Project **Blacks in Yellow Springs:** **A Community Encyclopedia**



*Dunmore and Eliza Gwynn
of the Yellow Springs Conway Colony, ca late 1800s*