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## Fair Access to Financial Services: What is the Problem and What Can We Do About It?

Tuesday, March 8, 2011 || 3:00–4:30 p.m.  
J.C. Penney Conference Center, Room 126  
University of Missouri–St. Louis  
One University Boulevard  
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### Panelists:

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**According to a 2009 FDIC study the St. Louis metro area has the highest percentage of "unbanked" African American households in the nation (31 percent).** A recent Equal Housing Opportunity Council (EHOC) Fair Lending Study has collected data on the practices of top St. Louis mortgage lenders and used the data to open up new dialogues with area banks.

How is the Community Reinvestment Act (CRA) being used in St. Louis? What is happening as a result of EHOC's new discussions? How can neighborhoods use CRA to insure fair access to lending and financial services?

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