

# African American History

## in the Greater Longfellow Neighborhood

Our city and nation convulsed and ruptured in the aftermath of the murder of George Floyd on May 25, 2020, on the Southside of Minneapolis at the intersection of 38th Street and Chicago Avenue. Like thunder and lightning flashing across the prairie, the world heard and listened once again to the cry for recognition of Black humanity and simple justice. George Floyd and Dred Scott walked the same ground in Minnesota and both died trying to get us to acknowledge their human rights.

We offer stories about three African American families and their descendants to honor and to celebrate the amazing perseverance of African Americans in Minnesota and the greater Longfellow neighborhood.

By sharing the legacy of local families, we hope to inspire and sustain our community as we move forward together.



Dred Scott

The footprint of the present day greater Longfellow neighborhood rests on the historic site of enslavement of Dred and Harriet Scott and many others forced into enslavement at the US Military base known as Fort Snelling at Bdote.

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