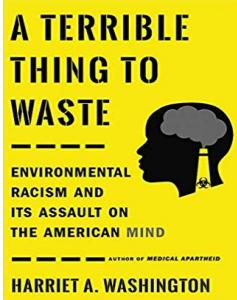


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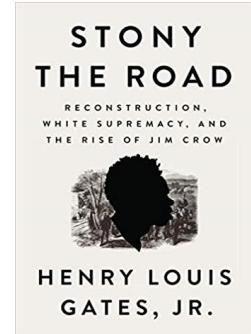
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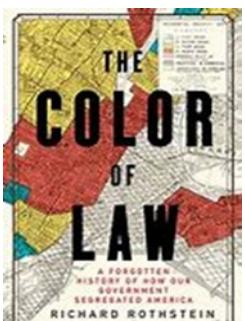
A Terrible Thing To Waste: Environmental Racism and Its Assault on the American Mind

In her groundbreaking new book, *A Terrible Thing to Waste*, award-winning science writer and bioethicist Harriet Washington explores how environmental racism damages young minds, particularly the minds of impoverished African American children who are exposed inordinately to toxins and pathogens in marginalized communities and what can be done to remedy this devastation.



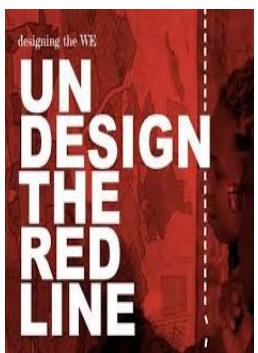
Stony the Road - Reconstruction, White Supremacy, and the Rise of Jim Crow

Author Henry Louis Gates Jr. surveys a fascinating social and intellectual history of the time between Reconstruction and the rise of the Jim Crow period of American history. It is an absorbing and necessary look at an era in which the hard-fought gains of African-Americans were rolled back by embittered Southern whites — an era that, in some ways, has never really ended. It's a sobering story that also tells of the heroic efforts of those who fought to create a different narrative.



The Color of Law - A forgotten history of how our government segregated America

A leading authority on housing policy, Richard Rothstein explodes the myth that America's cities came to be racially divided through 'de facto' segregation – individual prejudices, income differences, or the actions of private institutions like banks and real estate agencies. Rather, *The Color of Law* brings to light incontrovertible evidence that it was the laws and policies passed by local, state, and federal governments that actually promoted the discriminatory patterns that continue to this day.



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Hosted in partnership the Episcopal Diocese of Ohio and Trinity Cathedral invite you to come and experience this interactive exhibit at Trinity Commons. Undesign the Redline connects discriminatory federal policies and practices from the 1930s to political and social issues of today. This exhibit highlights the powerful narratives of the people and communities most affected by the legacy of redlining. Participants are invited to learn the history, interact with the stories, and invent the future of undoing structural inequities in our neighborhoods today. Questions or private tours please contact Antoinette Taylor at 216-774-0453 or email undesign@trinitycleveland.org