



**AMERICAN UNIVERSITY STUDENTS HOST WEEK CELEBRATING PEOPLE'S
UNIVERSITY**

Partnering with The DC Public Library Foundation, Students to Honor 1968 Events

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WASHINGTON- From March 26 to March 30, American University students will partner with the DC Public Library Foundation to host City of Change: A Look at People's University. With a week of events, American University students will showcase how Washington has changed and grown resulting from the events of 1968, including the Poor People's Campaign and the assassinations of Martin Luther King Jr. and Robert F. Kennedy.

Executive Director of the DCPL Foundation, Linnea Hegarty said, "We are proud to have our community remember our cultural roots in 1968 with the People's University and invigorate our initiative for all people to receive an opportunity for education. American University continues to be a great ally in supporting the betterment of our community."

City of Change: A Look at People's University will include an award ceremony for Congressman John Lewis, a panel discussion with DC natives who experienced the events of 1968, and a lunch featuring an exhibit of the DCLP Foundation's collection. All events will be held on American University's campus.

The DC Public Library Foundation, founded in 1985 to coordinate funding for a Martin Luther King Jr. mural, serves the community by securing funding to support DC Public Library programs. The DCPL Foundation's main focus is literacy and children's programs, but it also concentrates on engaging the community and creating spaces for gathering, such as the Martin Luther King Junior Memorial Library soon to be newly renovated.

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