

FILM SCREENING AND PANEL DISCUSSION

WE CAN DO BETTER

A documentary film about a win over environmental racism in Kingsboro, North Carolina

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2023 | PARK SHOPS 210 | 6:00-7:30 pm



About the Film

In 1995, Tarboro attorney Marvin V. Horton uncovered a plan of Iowa Beef Processors, Inc., (IBP) to locate a giant hog slaughterhouse in the predominantly Black community of Kingsboro. Concerned residents formed the Citizens for Responsible Zoning and organized a mass effort to stop IBP, which forced Edgecombe County Commissioners to vote down the IBP bid. *We Can Do Better*, by filmmaker Frederick Murphy, tells this story.

Panel discussion with members of Citizens for Responsible Zoning

Melvin Ray Hart | Ruby B. Horne | David W. Batts, Sr. | Marvin V. Horton
Moderated by Dr. Ajamu Dillahunt-Holloway, Assistant Professor of History, and Jim Wrenn, Historical Consultant for *We Can Do Better*

An event sponsored by the History Department and the History Graduate Student Association

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