

## REFERENCE MATERIALS

The Blacksburg Museum and Cultural Foundation (BMCF) <https://www.blacksburgmuseum.org/> and Virginia Tech Foundation (VTF) are beginning a project that will be a tribute/educational program/exhibit to memorialize a former African American neighborhood called New Town <https://www.blacksburgmuseum.org/slofh> .

The only remaining building of the New Town neighborhood is the St. Luke and Odd Fellows Hall (SLOFH) which has national, state, and local historic designations. You can explore the BMCF site to get additional information about New Town and the SLOFH <https://www.blacksburgmuseum.org/> .

Additional information is available from the Virginia Tech Libraries Special Collections, <https://digitalsc.lib.vt.edu/exhibits/show/new-town-digital-exhibition/blacksburg> .

The Virginia Tech Foundation (VTF) is currently constructing a large building next to the SLOFH site <https://www.blacksburg.gov/town-council/meetings/public-hearings/north-end-gilbert-street-mixed-use-redevelopment> .