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WASHINGTON (NNPA) – "There is a 'state of emergency' without urgency in Black America," writes Ron Daniels, president of the Institute of the Black World 21st Century.

In a collection of essays and briefs, the IBW's forthcoming "Black Paper" documents the progress – and lack of progress – made since the 1963 March on Washington and offers potential solutions to the problems afflicting Black America. The authors of the Black Paper say that the compilation is not an academic exercise, but "a call to action."

Contributors recently discussed their findings at the Metropolitan A.M.E. Church in Washington. The final product, *A Deposit was Made but the Check Still Bounced*, is expected to be published next month and will be available on IBW's web site, [www.ibw21.org](http://www.ibw21.org).

Zachery Williams, coordinator of the IBW research consortium, and associate professor of history at the University of Akron in Ohio, said that the purpose of the IBW Black Paper was to suggest strategic directions for the future and to reignite movements for democracy and social change.

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