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The next Opportunity Zone guests are Matthew Summers and Avi Fechter. Matthew attended Bucknell University in Lewisburg, PA and after graduating, he enlisted in the US Army to participate in the Global War on Terrorism where he was a highly decorated Green Beret and served as a Special Forces Intelligence Officer before retiring. After fulfilling his contract with the US Army, Matthew returned to school and earned a Master of Real Estate Development (MRED) from Clemson University in Clemson, South Carolina. Avi Fechter, co-founder of EquityPlus, worked for the District Government underwritin

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Before co-founding EquityPlus, Mr. Fechter worked for the District Government underwriting and closing over \$400 million in LIHTC and NMTC financed projects while deploying \$3 million of 9% LIHTC Allocation and \$80 million of District Government loans. Mr. Fechter has closed over \$800 million in NMTC/HTC/LIHTC financing and has served as an NMTC Allocation Application reader for the CDFI Fund. Mr. Fechter has a Masters Degree in Public Policy from Rutgers University. He lives in Aldie, Virginia with his wife, Linnea, and two children, Alana and Evan.

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