**Name of Project: R.O.O.T.S of Sunflower County**

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**Location of Interview: Sunflower, MS (Sunflower Freedom Project)**

**Name of Interviewer(s): Jadan Farrow**

**Name of Interviewee(s): Antonio Cross Jr.**

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**[00:15] JF:** How old are you?

**[0:15] AC:** 12 finna be 13.

**[0:16] JF:** What school do you attend?

 AC: (Cannot understand response)

**[ 0:23] JF:** Can you please describe your life 10 years from now?

**[ 0:27] AC:** Being an NFL player

**[0:33] JF:** What aspect of local history is relevant to you today?

**[0:47] AC:** \*Long pause\* Can’t say.

**[0:55] JF:** Do you see yourself as a leader?

**[0:57] AC:** Yes. Yes, I do. Because I lead others and people always follow me and I think that I’m a good leader in leading them to where they at.

**[1:04] JF:** If you could change one thing about your school what would it be?

**[1:14] AC:** How it’s set up because it’s so many things there that are raggedy. And we have old books. We need new books.

**[1:25] JF:** Do you feel respected at your school?

**[1:30] AC:** Yes I feel respected because people listen to me and I show them the way.

**[1:33] JF:** Have you ever received corporal punishment?

**[1:43] AC:** Yes, in elementary school one time.

**[1:47] JF:** How are your rights not being respected at school?

**[1:55] AC:** Like (long pause) My rights are being respected at my school. Nobody is disrespecting my rights.

**[2:05] JF:** What do you think that your teachers and other adults at your school know about African American males?

 **[2:07] AC:** They know about how, how we been in slavery. And how we is now. They know what we gone do and what we not gone do.

**[2:23] JF:** If you could use 3 words to describe police officers, what would they be?

**[2:24] AC:** Protective, helpful, and respectful.

**[2:35] JF:** How do you feel you are presented as an African American young man?

**[2:38] AC:** Nervous, because so many people gone watch you and see how you do.

**[2:48] JF:** Do you what you want the world to know about African American?

**[2:50] AC:** They should.

**[2:55] JF:** What advice do you have to African American Young Men?

**[3:00] AC:** Keep your head up and keep on going.

**[3:03] JF:** Is there anything else that you would like to add?

 **AC:** No.