Welcome to Mitchelville: The First Self-Governed Freedmen’s Town In America

- You are moving to the area.
- Fill in the missing information for each subtopic using information from the exhibits and become more acquainted with the Town of Mitchelville.

-1870

EX. HISTORY—How did Mitchelville get its start? How as Mitchelville founded?

After seeing the barracks of more than 1,000 Africans become overcrowded and unsanitary, General Ormsby Mitchel purposes the creation of village for freedmen known as Mitchelville.

General Ormsby Mitchel dies shortly thereafter but, the recently freed Africans succeed in transforming
Mitchelville to a successful, thriving town located on Hilton Head Island.

ECONOMY - What industries and economic activities existed in Mitchelville?

EDUCATION - What activities existed in Mitchelville to ensure an educated populace?
LAW & ORDER - What laws existed in Mithelville and how were laws enforced? How were disputes settled and how was the town guarded?
FAMOUS PEOPLE AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS—Who are some notable people that descended from the community or wider area of Mitchelville? What were some accomplishments of people living in Mitchelville?
CREATE IMAGES OR DRAWINGS THAT DEPICT LIFE IN MITCHELVILLE