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Reflection#1

In CODES, the conversation of revising my work has been coming up a lot. In my most recent class with Dr. Lee, it was one of the hardest years for the contract I made. It wasn't because it was difficult, but I didn't understand the overall evidence and how I could prove I met them. Making a reflection based on my assignments and how well I did my assignments, or how I could improve, provided evidence for my contract. I know how important our research is and the potential impact it could have on our generation. I want to further expand on the ideas that I came up with over the semester. With the help of Dr.Shea, I was able to find a solid way of getting information to those who struggle in these areas.

People in Cahokia Heights and East Saint Louis don't really have a voice when it comes to natural disasters. Even with day-to-day life, people in these areas are known to struggle because of the lack of resources. I want to find other testimonies of people who struggled with flooding and expand on the main problem it causes in the community. I am writing this revision not only for myself but also for others who have faced similar problems growing up. As a descendant of East Saint Louis, I know how bad the struggle has been. I also know how I wanted someone to step in and try to make things better. Create a space where words could be heard, and potential emotions could be let go. Emotions of frustration, the emotions of feeling down or

depressed about the situation, and the emotions of acceptance. Believing in that things will get better, no matter how slow things may feel at the moment.