



We Can't Gentrify Our Way to Health Equity

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Appreciations and Welcome!

- Health & Medicine Colleagues
- Chicago Community Trust
- Loyola University's Beazley Institute for Health Law and Policy and the Civitas ChildLaw Center
- Members of the media
- Our speakers and participants
- Chicago Public Schools students

Agenda Review:

Welcome

Historical Overview

Keynote Address

Break

Voices: Multimedia Presentation

Feedback from the Field Panel

Q&A and Discussion

Questions for Connecting Gentrification and Health Inequities

- What causes gentrification and displacement?
- How does displacement contribute to health inequities?
- What can people working in our various sectors do to prevent housing and community displacement?
- What are some policy changes that could slow or stop community displacement?

Centering the Discussion in Root Causes

Defining Health Equity

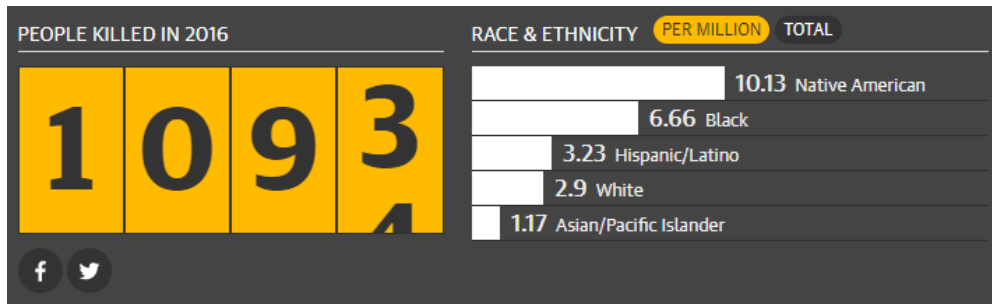
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Root Causes: Historical and Contemporary Injustice



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Gini coefficient: Chicago City, IL vs. U.S., 1980-2014



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How do disinvestment and inequities in the public sector relate to gentrification?

- Public Education & Schools
- Public Housing
- Public health clinics
- Public Transit & Road maintenance
- Tax codes
- Policing & Incarceration
- Immigration Policy
- Redevelopment dollars (e.g., Tax Increment Financing)

Tensions and Relationships to Explore

- Individual responsibility versus collective, societal problem
- Human right to housing versus property rights
- Human need for belonging, connectivity, and community versus a political economy that ascribes higher value to capital and people who have it

Why are we here?

People's Right to Exist
and Be In Community

Introducing our first speaker Janet Smith

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Gentrification and Community Displacement: Driver of Health Inequity

Gentrification is a process that does not assure the conditions for optimal health for all people.

- Values some individuals & populations more than it does others
- It is built upon and extends historical injustices through new, contemporary injustice
- Provides resources according to people's