

NEWSLETTER

# Diversity, Equity & Inclusion



## Day Nine - Housing Inequity

You may be wondering what housing has to do with racial equity. The reality is that housing affordability and who experiences homelessness is largely influenced by our country's history of racism. According to the [Center for American Progress 2019 article](#) (20 minute read), How America's Housing System Undermines Wealth Building in Communities of Color, "For centuries, structural racism in the U.S. housing system has contributed to stark and persistent racial disparities in wealth and financial well-being, especially between Black and white households."

## Today's Challenge

**Option 1:** Watch this 5-minute [video from the Urban Institute exposing how housing discrimination](#) against racial and ethnic minorities occurs today.

**Option 2:** Read this brief article from the National League of Cities [Embedding Racial Equity in Housing](#) (10 minutes).

**Option 3:** Learn from this thought panel conversation hosted by the Atlantic – [Discrimination in Housing Laws + What Needs to Change \(25:32 minutes\)](#).

## UWMI Staff Pick

[Daily News article](#) on the lack of affordable housing in our area.

[Housing Discrimination in Detroit: An Example of Systemic Racism](#) (3:15 minute video)

**Tomorrow's topic: How Race Affects your Health**

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