



# DISPLACEMENT RESEARCH PROJECT SCOPE AND METHODOLOGY

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# RESEARCH GOALS

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1. Document mobility patterns for low-income people of color at the neighborhood level in Alameda, Contra Costa, and San Francisco Counties since 2000
2. Document the relationship between these mobility patterns and local rental housing market dynamics
3. Determine whether these mobility patterns are perpetuating historic patterns of segregation and unequal access to opportunity for low-income households of color

# 1. Document Neighborhood-Level Mobility Patterns

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- **Question:** Where are we seeing increases and declines in low income people of color?
  - Data source: American Community Survey (ACS)
  - Variables: race/ethnicity by income, by educational attainment, by age group or household type (if available), by tenure (if available), by rent burden (if available)
- **Question:** Where are low income people of color moving from and to?
  - Data source: ACS and Public Use Microdata Sample (PUMS)
  - Variables: race/ethnicity by income, by educational attainment, by age group or household type (if available), by tenure (if available), by rent burden (if available)

## 2. Relationship to Rental Housing Market Dynamics

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- **Question:** How have home prices, cost burdens, and/or tenure changed for different demographic groups?
  - Data source: ACS/Zillow/HUD CHAS/ HUD Fair Market Rent (FMR) survey
  - Variables: rents (by income and race/ethnicity), rent burden (by income and race/ethnicity), mortgage, # of rent controlled units and turnover in rent controlled units, difference between market rate and rent controlled rates, etc.
- **Question:** How have affordable housing subsidies impacted mobility patterns?
  - Data source: ACS (voucher use), California Housing Partnership database of subsidized housing, Public Housing Authorities (for mobility of vouchers)
  - Variables: # of vouchers used/issued, new subsidized housing construction, loss of subsidized units, etc.

### 3. Relationship to Segregation and Access to Opportunity

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- **Question:** What are the opportunity, segregation and concentration of poverty levels of neighborhoods that have experienced declines and increases in low income people of color (or that have experienced high levels of in-migration of low income people of color)?
- Data source: ACS, digitized Home Owners' Loan Corporation/Federal Housing Administration lending maps, qualitative analysis
- Variables: construct or acquire entropy (segregation), poverty, and opportunity indicators



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