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Ralph W. Voorhees Center for Civic Engagement



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ABOUT US

In honor of Mr. Voorhees' vision, civic engagement and service contributions, in 2011 the Voorhees family established the Ralph W. Voorhees Center for Civic Engagement at the Bloustein School. A collaborative effort of university faculty and students and community development actors, the center enhances educational opportunities, facilitates innovative research and engages with communities. The center conducts community based research and is an important place for the discussion of urban problems and innovative policy and practice solutions. The center seeks to enhance dialogue and discussion among communities, government, students, and scholars, increase community development capacity, conduct research on urban problems, and, in partnership with communities, enhance educational opportunities in and outside of the classroom, support the development of innovative responsive public policy and practice, and encourage innovation and entrepreneurship.



Ralph W. Voorhees was a 1948 graduate of Rutgers University, where he was a member of the Phi Beta Kappa honorary society. Mr. Voorhees was senior vice president for investments at Paine Weber, served as a member of ASA Holdings Inc.'s Board of Directors, and as chairman of the boards of the United Way of Central New Jersey, Family Counseling Services of Middlesex County, the Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital, and the New Brunswick Cultural Center. At Rutgers, he was chairman of the University Foundation and served on the University Foundation's Board of Overseers.

He was inducted into the Rutgers Hall of Distinguished Alumni and received the Presidential Recognition and the Loyal Son of Rutgers Awards. He served as a member of the Voorhees College Board of Trustees where he received the Keeper of the Flame Award for continuing his family's legacy of supporting the college.

Mr. Voorhees lived in Highland Park, NJ where his activities spanned health, urban renewal and education and then in New Brunswick. A sterling example of volunteerism and civic engagement at its very best, Mr. Voorhees dedicated many years to service in several areas of university and community life, demonstrating vision, unquestionable altruism, and outstanding success as a philanthropic leader.

ADVISORY BOARD

An advisory board comprised of Scott Voorhees, Susan Voorhees Hunt, Steven Allard, and Alle Ries guides and supports Center work. The Center draws on the inspiration, passion, brilliance, energy, and creativity of Professor Janet Smith, who served as advisory board chair. The Center can be found online at rwv.rutgers.edu and on Instagram @voorheescivicengagement

CENTER PROJECT SPONSORS AND FUNDERS

Family of Ralph. W. Voorhees
New Jersey State Policy Lab
Robert Wood Johnson Foundation
Schalkenbach Foundation

Rutgers Equity Alliance for Community Health (REACH)
Rutgers Chancellor Challenge
Urban Studies Foundation Seminar Series Grant
Urban Studies Foundation Knowledge Mobilization Grant

WELCOME

The Voorhees Center is excited to welcome:

STUDENT RESEARCHERS



Stephanie Kusi Bamfo
Master of Social Work



Bridget Fisher
Doctoral Student

RESEARCH AFFILIATES



Zehra Mahdi
Fulbright Scholar



Matt Mleczo
Post Doctoral Associate



Dr. Katharine Nelson
Rutgers CLiME



Nirupama Vidyarthi
MCRP

STUDENT CONFERENCE AMBASSADORS



Gabbie Cain



Joshua Darragh



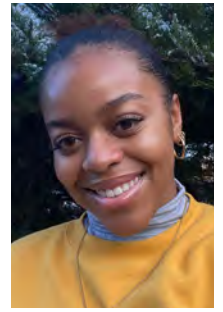
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Rimshah Jawad



Nathaniel Lange



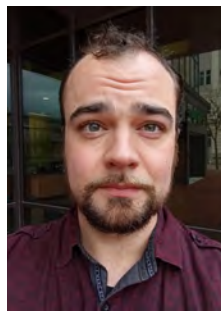
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Anari Ormond



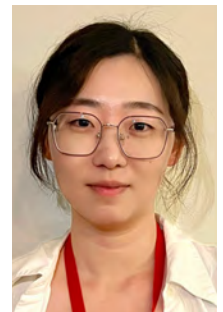
Samruddhi Purohit



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Shweta Rajput



Yanan Li (CURE)



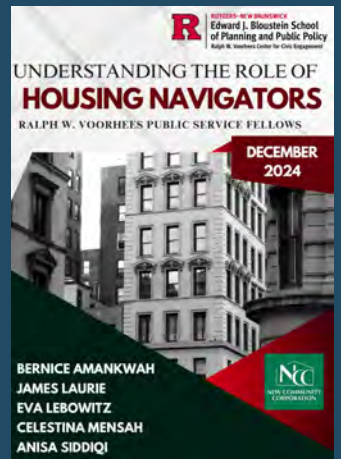
Left-Right: Joshua Darragh, Anari Ormond, Alanna McDowell, Rimshah Jawad, Samruddhi Purohit, and Shweta Rajput

RESEARCH CORNER

VOORHEES FELLOWS RESEARCH

HOUSING NAVIGATION

This year, five Ralph W. Voorhees Public Service Fellows worked with New Community Corporation, a community development organization in Newark, New Jersey, to research housing navigation. Part of a Rutgers Equity Alliance for Community Health (REACH) community engaged project, the Fellows sought to better understand the work of contemporary housing navigation.



CENTER RESEARCH



URBAN STUDIES FOUNDATION KNOWLEDGE MOBILIZATION GRANT

Professor Mi Shih and doctoral student Yu Wang's Knowledge Mobilization Grant-funded work sought to engage in diverse forms of knowledge mobilization and to create a digital life for the public engagement work building on the theme of Mi Shih and Kathe Newman's previously funded Urban Studies seminar series about the politics and value of land. While they continue their research, Professor Shih and Ms. Wang have been exploring and testing visualization ideas that transform the research outputs into more accessible and stimulating formats such as a website.

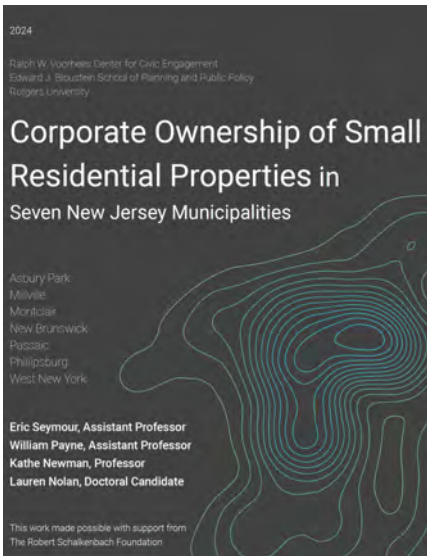
MEASURING INTEGRATION IN AFFORDABLE HOUSING WITH LOCATION DATA

Assistant Professor Bernadette Baird-Zars is the co-PI, along with Dr. Wenfei Xu at Cornell, on a National Science Foundation grant on new measurements of integration that examines how and when residents of subsidized housing in 'high opportunity' areas access services. This fall, six Bloustein undergrad and masters students joined the project team and have met weekly to advance case studies in four US cities: Milwaukee, San Antonio, central NJ, and Denver. Nearly all of the students have lived experience in the case study locations, and, alongside cell phone mobility data analyses, their thoughtfulness and creativity have added exciting nuance to many 'old questions' about what constitutes inclusion and community in the US.

COMMUNITIES AND FLOOD PROTECTION

Dr. Bernadette Baird-Zars and MRCP student Amara Thompkins are part of a research team with NYC-Environmental Justice Alliance and Columbia University that led a national webinar on community-led responses to US Army Corps planned flood protection plans. A masters student on their team led the presentation, and was joined by presentations from organizations like Bayou City Waterkeeper, Wetlands Watch, and Turtle Island Restoration Network.

Undergrads Sean Lamb and Carrie Ward have been working with Baird-Zars and Thompkins on combining community-generated flash flood documentation in New Jersey. Some of their initial findings and predictive models were presented at the New Jersey Climate Change Symposium.

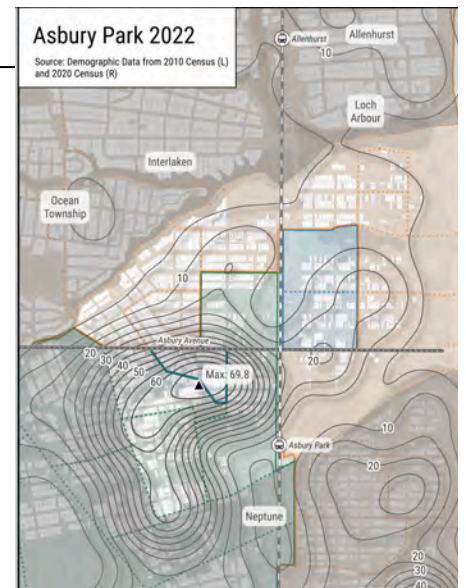


CORPORATE OWNERSHIP OF 1-4 UNIT PROPERTIES IN SEVEN NJ CITIES

Eric Seymour, Will Payne, Kathe Newman, and Lauren Nolan, with a grant from the Robert Schalkenbach Foundation, investigated corporate ownership in: Asbury Park, Millville, Montclair, New Brunswick Passaic City, Phillipsburg, and West New York. The team drew on historical tax parcel property ownership data from 2000 to 2022 to examine the geography and prevalence of corporate ownership of one-to-four-unit residential properties. This project focused on understanding the neighborhoods where corporate owners have concentrating investment over time and the implications of those patterns for current residents.

CORPORATE OWNERSHIP OF 1-4 UNIT PROPERTIES IN NEW JERSEY

With the support of the New Jersey State Policy Lab, the team is expanding research on corporate ownership across New Jersey to obtain a complete view of corporate ownership. The project is allied with the broader NJSOARH project studying housing security, and the team will draw on interviews and other research and data analysis from that project to help answer questions about the reasons for and effects of increasing corporate ownership.



FAITH-BASED AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Nadia Mian was invited to join the US Department of Housing and Urban Development's roundtable on "Repurposing Underutilized and Closed Houses of Worship." Dr. Mian also joined Bricks & Mortals (a New York City based non-profit organization) Mayor's Working Group on Faith-based Affordable Housing and Community Development. She published an article on faith-based affordable housing in *The Conversation*.

HOUSING NAVIGATION

Postdoctoral Associate Matt Mleczo detailed the emergence and evolution of housing navigation and reviewed the decades worth of evidence regarding its effectiveness in a recent working paper. He argues that this history of housing navigation provides important context regarding the historical analogues of contemporary housing problems and solutions in the US. The evidence strongly indicates that housing navigation promotes housing stability, desegregation, and social mobility, but the long-term success of these programs will likely rely on more upstream, structural reforms that address the root causes of housing instability and that, like housing navigation, have roots in the past.



HOME MORTGAGE LENDING IN CAMDEN, NJ

Katharine Nelson (Rutgers University - CLiME), Lauren Nolan, Kathe Newman, Eric Seymour, and Nadia Mian are studying access to home mortgages in Camden in partnership with St. Joseph's Carpenter Society and funding from the Rutgers Equity Alliance for Community Health (REACH). The team is analyzing home mortgage disclosure act data and conducting interviews to better understand access to quality home mortgage credit and patterns of home purchase, refinance, improvement mortgage originations and denials in the period 2018-2022.



HOMELESSNESS IN NEW BRUNSWICK AND PROGRAMS TO ADDRESS IT

Eric Seymour, Nadia Mian, Emmy Tiderington, and Kathe Newman researched homelessness and the organizational service infrastructures in New Brunswick in partnership with Unity Square Community Organization. The Rutgers Equity Alliance for Community Health (REACH) funded the project. The team conducted 19 interviews with non-profit and voluntary organizations, food pantries, local government, and Rutgers Behavioral Health staff to better understand how homelessness and housing precarity had changed since before the pandemic, to map efforts to address unmet needs, and to identify remaining challenges. They incorporated data about federally assisted housing from NJSOARH. The team shared their findings with the interviewees to facilitate a conversation and integrated the findings into a public [report](#).

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Homelessness in New Brunswick
and Programs to Address it



Eric Seymour
Nadia Mian
Kathe Newman
Emmy Tiderington
Shiloh Dietz
William Payne

NEW JERSEY STATE OF AFFORDABLE RENTAL HOUSING (NJSOARH)

Eric Seymour and Will Payne, Kathe Newman, postdoctoral associate Shiloh Deitz, doctoral candidate Lauren Nolan, and Nadia Mian are conducting research about affordable rental housing in New Jersey. The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation is funding the project. The team has been gathering data on different aspects of affordable housing to better understand the state of affordable housing in New Jersey today. They've :

- Conducted more than 120 interviews with housing professionals across New Jersey.
- Examined rent control in New Jersey and produced a report.
- Integrated separately maintained datasets containing information about rental housing that receives federal assistance and produced a report.
- Analyzed Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) program data to better understand how many public housing units have been converted to time delimited assistance.
- Analyzed Home Mortgage Disclosure Act data to explore home mortgage lending trends.
- Conducted field work in seven cities to provide a grounded discussion about neighborhood change and housing insecurity.

The team is currently integrating the housing data and field work into a series of case studies that reflect the variety of NJ's housing markets. The cases are Asbury Park, Millville, Montclair, New Brunswick Passaic City, Phillipsburg, and West New York.



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Interviews



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Reports



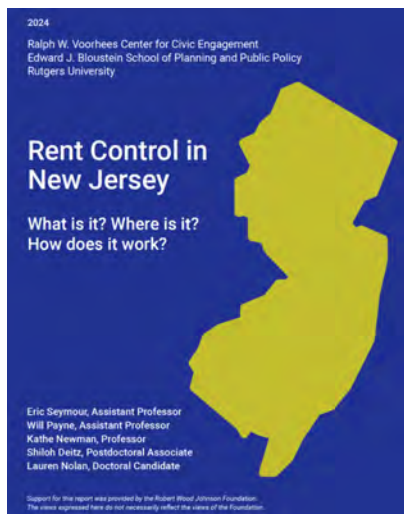
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Articles

NJ COUNTY RENTAL HOUSING OVERVIEW REPORTS

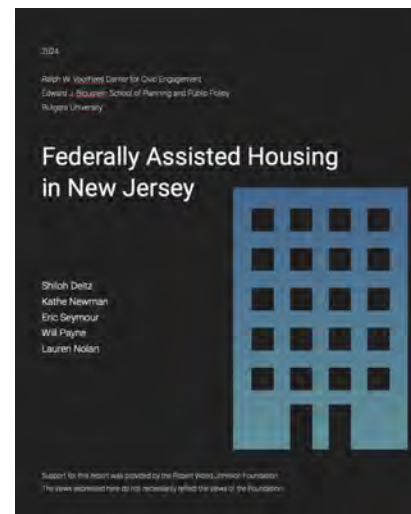
Doctoral candidate Lauren Nolan has been working with project advisory committee members and the NJSOARH team to streamline data in easy-to-use county overviews that provide detailed information about rental housing for each municipality in Cumberland, Essex, Hudson, Middlesex, Monmouth, Passaic, and Warren counties.



RENT CONTROL AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING



Rent Control in New Jersey: The NJSOARH team released a report about the state of rent control in New Jersey. This report traces the history of rent control in the state, describes it today, and offers a set of ideas for the future.



Federally Assisted Housing in New Jersey provides an overview of the landscape of federally assisted housing in New Jersey. It includes a discussion about Public Housing, housing supported with Low Income Housing Tax Credits, and units with a set of other supports including Project Based Rental Assistance. It also discusses the Rental Assistance Demonstration Program (RAD).

CENTER PUBLICATIONS

Journal Articles

Shih, Mi and Newman, Kathe. 2024. "Rethinking value in land and negotiating the city's social future." *Environment and Planning A*, 56, no. 6. Online first. DOI: [10.1177/0308518X241282796](https://doi.org/10.1177/0308518X241282796)

Special Theme Journal Issue

Shih, Mi, and Newman, Kathe. 2024. Special Theme Issue on the Politics of Land and Value. *Environment and Planning A*, 56, no 6. Online first.

Journal Articles Under Review

Mleczo, Matt. 2024. "Back to the Future: A History of Housing Navigation and Lessons for More Equitable Housing Policy." Manuscript under review.

Reports

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Seymour, Eric, Payne, Will, Newman, Kathe, and Nolan, Lauren. 2024. *Corporate Ownership of Small Residential Properties in Seven New Jersey Municipalities*. RWVC. Rutgers University.

Seymour, Eric., Mian, N., Newman, K., Tiderington, E., Deitz, S., & Payne, W. 2024. *Homelessness in New Brunswick and Programs to Address it*. Ralph W. Voorhees Center for Civic Engagement. Rutgers University.

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Nolan, L., with Seymour, E., Deitz, S., Payne, W., & Newman, K. 2024. *Hudson County Rental Housing Profile*. Ralph W. Voorhees Center for Civic Engagement. RWVC. Rutgers University. New Brunswick.

Nolan, L., with Seymour, E., Deitz, S., Payne, W., & Newman, K. 2024. *Middlesex County Rental Housing Profile*. Ralph W. Voorhees Center for Civic Engagement. RWVC. Rutgers University.

Nolan, L., with Seymour, E., Deitz, S., Payne, W., & Newman, K. 2024. *Monmouth County Rental Housing Profile*. Ralph W. Voorhees Center for Civic Engagement. Edward J. Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy. New Brunswick.

Nolan, L., with Seymour, E., Deitz, S., Payne, W., & Newman, K. 2024. *Passaic County Rental Housing Profile*. Ralph W. Voorhees Center for Civic Engagement. Edward J. Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy. New Brunswick.

Nolan, L., with Seymour, E., Deitz, S., Payne, W., & Newman, K. 2024. *Warren County Rental Housing Profile*. Ralph W. Voorhees Center for Civic Engagement. Edward J. Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy. New Brunswick.

In the News

Mian, Nadia. 2024. "Affordable housing in God's backyard: Some religious congregations find a new use for their space." *The Conversation*, July 19.

Blog Posts

Eric Seymour, "Identifying and Examining Corporate Home Ownership Throughout New Jersey." New Jersey State Policy Lab (blog), November, 25, 2024. <https://policylab.rutgers.edu/identifying-and-examining-corporate-home-ownership-throughout-new-jersey/>

Eric Seymour, "Making Sense of New Jersey Parcel Data to Identify Trends in Corporate Ownership of Housing." New Jersey State Policy Lab (blog), September, 26, 2024. <https://policylab.rutgers.edu/identifying-and-examining-corporate-home-ownership-throughout-new-jersey/>

Eric Seymour, "Investigating Corporate Ownership of Housing in New Jersey." New Jersey State Policy Lab (blog), July, 29, 2024. <https://policylab.rutgers.edu/identifying-and-examining-corporate-home-ownership-throughout-new-jersey/>

Eric Seymour, "Corporate Ownership of Small Residential Properties." Robert Schalkenbach Foundation (blog), 2024. <https://schalkenbach.org/corporate-ownership-of-small-residential-properties/>

Video

Seymour, E. 2024. A Discussion of Research by: Eric Seymour, Will Payne, and Kathe Newman. [Video]. YouTube. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LdJ7OQoPZYY&t=21s>

CENTER EVENTS

REACH Housing Conference

The Rutgers Equity Alliance for Community Health (REACH) in collaboration with the Ralph W. Voorhees Center for Civic Engagement, the Rutgers Center on Law, Inequality and Metropolitan Equity, and the Rutgers Center for Urban Research and Education hosted a hybrid Housing Conference. The conference took place at the Edward J. Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy and on Zoom on October 18, 2024 from 9am to 5pm. It featured a plenary discussion, panel discussions, opportunities to learn about ways to partner with Rutgers students, programs, and faculty members, and a meet and greet with housing researchers. In-person participants networked between sessions and at a conference reception immediately following the event.

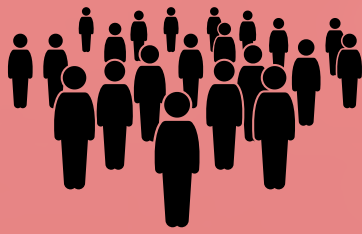
Staff and faculty from the Bloustein School helped make the conference possible. The RWV Center is grateful for the assistance of:

- Rimi Amin, Event Staff
- Stephanie Crozier, Event Coordinator
- Ravi D'Elia, Technical Assistance
- Iram Faisal, Event Coordinator
- Nadia Mian, Event Lead
- Tamara Swedberg, Technical Lead





Event Highlights



130

Attendees



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Panels



11

Student
Ambassadors



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RU Engaged
Sessions



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Lightening
Research Talks



5

Student
Moderators



19

Practitioner
Speakers



49

Speakers and
Moderators

COMMUNITY-BASED RESEARCH



On November 1st, the RWV Center hosted a discussion about community-based research. Faculty, staff, and students joined to hear Cara Cuite, James DeFilippis, and Nadia Mian share their experiences and answer questions.



PRESENTATIONS

ROYAL GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY (RGS) - INSTITUTE OF BRITISH GEOGRAPHERS (IBG) ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE LONDON, ENGLAND

AUGUST 2024

Soo Yeon Lim presented her dissertation work, “What is Green?: The Politics of Valuing Green Belt Land and its Transformation from Flower Farms to High-Rises in Seoul Metropolitan Area, South Korea.” Her presentation examined the socio-political contestation between land development experts and flower farmers over the value of greenbelt land. Using qualitative methods, the study showed how experts often critique flower farms with polytunnels as environmentally damaging, focusing on the external landscape these structures create. In contrast, farmers emphasize the biophysical productivity and urban greening potential of their farms by shifting attention to the spaces within the polytunnels. These divergent views reveal how political and aesthetic considerations shape the processes of valuing and de-valuing greenbelt land in South Korea.

RESEARCH COMMITTEE 28 ON SOCIAL STRATIFICATION AND MOBILITY (RC28) - PROVIDENCE, RI

AUGUST 6-8, 2024

Matt Mleczo presented “The Role of Residential Integration in Promoting School Integration” at the Research Committee 28 on Social Stratification and Mobility of the International Sociological Association.

INTERNATIONAL DOWNTOWN ASSOCIATION - SEATTLE, WA SEPTEMBER 11-13, 2024



Nadia Mian, pictured here alongside Rick Reinhard from Niagara Consulting and Graham Singh from Revélen, presented on how houses of worship can work alongside business improvement associations to revitalize downtown.

MONARCH HOUSING CONFERENCE - SOMERSET, NJ OCTOBER 9, 2024

Nadia Mian, along with Victoria Barreca from Enterprise Community Partners and Sajan Phillip from Cardinal Impact Advisors discussed how the development community can work with houses of worship to build affordable housing.

REACH HOUSING CONFERENCE - NEW BRUNSWICK, NJ OCTOBER 18, 2024

RWV staff, faculty and student affiliates coordinated the conference, presented on panels, moderated discussions and gave lightning talks:

- **Stephanie Kusi Bamfo**, Moderator, RU Engaged - Student Partners
- **Cara Cuite**, Moderator, RU Engaged - Interns and More
- **James DeFilippis**, Moderator and Panelist, Community Economies and Shared Equity Panel
- **Bridget Fisher**, Moderator, Rent Control and Other Tenancy Protections
- **Soo Yeon Lim**, Moderator, Lightning Talks
- **Nadia Mian**, “Faith-Based Housing,” Lightning Talk
- **Matt Mleczo**, Moderator, Affordable Housing Production/ Preservation Panel
- **Lauren Nolan**, Moderator, Investor and Corporate Owned Housing Panel
- **Emily Parker**, “Federal Place-Based Policy, Gentrification, and Racial Stratification in the Public-Private Era, 1990-2017,” Lightning Talk
- **Will Payne**, Panelist, Investor and Corporate Owned Housing Panel
- **Jovanna Rosen**, “How Do Renters Cope with Unaffordability? Evidence from LA,” Lightning Talk, and Moderator, Improving Homeowner and Renter Unit Quality
- **Eric Seymour**, Panelist, Rent Control and Other Tenancy Protections Panel
- **Mi Shih**, Panelist, RU Engaged - Student Partners
- **Dean Stuart Shapiro**, Welcome
- **Emmy Tiderington**, “Moving on From Homeless Services,” Lightning Talk
- **Yu Wang**, Moderator, Lightning Talk



ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGIATE SCHOOLS OF PLANNING - SEATTLE, WA NOVEMBER 6-9, 2024



Faculty, staff, and students presented their work at the Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning Conference in Seattle in November, 2024.

- **Soo Yeon Lim** “Making Greenbelt Land Development ‘Public’ in Seoul Metropolitan Area”
- **Will Payne** “Measuring the Embeddedness of Businesses in Gentrifying Neighborhoods”
- **Bridget Fisher** and **Kathe Newman** “Negotiating Public Benefits Out of Thin Air”
- **Mi Shih** and **Yu Wang** “The Politics of Privately Funded Public Benefits and Air Rights Tools”
- **Eric Seymour**, **Kathe Newman**, **Lauren Nolan**, and **Will Payne** “Investor Acquisition of Residential Properties in New Jersey”
- **Michael Smart** “Qualitative Research in Transportation: Past, Present and Potential”
- **Nadia Mian** “Examining Seattle’s Faith-based Density Bonus for Faith-based Affordable Housing”
- **Lauren Nolan** “Municipal Orientations Toward Warehouse Development and Subsidies”
- **Andrea Restrepo-Mieth** “Urban Tree Inventories, Stakeholder Mobilization, and Planning Processes”



**ASSOCIATION FOR PUBLIC POLICY ANALYSIS &
MANAGEMENT FALL RESEARCH CONFERENCE -
NATIONAL HARBOR, MARYLAND
NOVEMBER 21-23, 2024**

Matt Mleczko presented “Federal COVID-19 Housing Assistance and Post-2022 Trends in Housing Instability and Homelessness.”

Lauren Nolan discussed “‘Information Not Provided by Applicant’: Missingness in Mortgage Lending Data and its Implications for Assessing Fair Lending Practices.”

**COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF URBAN GOVERNANCE AND
POLICY - TSINGHUA UNIVERSITY AND THE JOURNAL OF
COMPARATIVE POLICY ANALYSIS
BEIJING, CHINA
DECEMBER 2024**

Andrea Restrepo-Mieth workshopped a paper entitled "Characterizing Subnational Water Affordability Absent a National Mandate: The Case of Volumetric Allowance Programs in Colombia." The manuscript looks at twenty-five municipalities in Colombia to identify the factors that are more closely related to program adoption and implementation (it turns out that utility ownership structure is the best predictor of whether a municipality, regardless of per-capita expenditures or population size, will adopt the program). While in Beijing, Andrea was invited to attend the Beijing Forum on Swift Responses to Citizen Complaints (a forum on subnational governance in China).

FACULTY AFFILIATE UPDATES

Appointments

Kathe Newman and **Ben Gerlofs** were appointed book review editors for the *Journal of Urban Affairs*.

Grants

Cara Cuite and **Kathe Newman** were awarded a Rutgers Chancellor's Challenge Grant.

Bernadette Baird-Zars and **Wenfei Xu** at Cornell received a grant from NSF - Measuring Integration in Affordable Housing with Location Data

Fellowships

Cara Cuite and **Kathe Newman** are Provost Leadership Research Faculty Fellows at the Rutgers Chancellor Provost Office.

Invited Talks

Will Payne gave an invited talk at the Digital Studies Center at Rutgers-Camden about "Understanding Neighborhood Change Through Urban Platform Data."

Jovanna Rosen delivered the Robert L. Planick Lecture in Urban + Environmental Planning at the University of Virginia about "Urban Inequality: How to Change It," on November 4. Dr. Rosen also discussed her book, *Community Benefits: Developers, Negotiations, and Accountability*, at a seminar at San Diego State University.

Mi Shih presented "Land Brokers, Land Officials, and the Difficult and Speculative Business of Land Value Capture" on November 14 at the Bloustein Research Seminar Series and at during online event at The Hong Kong Polytechnic University on November 19, 2024.



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Community Activities

Andrea Restrepo-Mieth led two community events where a table was set up in the “malecón” with some maps (including urban heat maps) to share findings related to perceptions of heat in the town. The project asked people what they want to see the public spaces in different neighborhoods, which areas they believe could benefit from greater tree cover (hint: most of the town).

News

Cara Cuite was interviewed for an article for [NPR on storm evacuations](#).

Will Payne was interviewed for an article in [Rutgers Today](#) about his research on “review bombing” and politics.

Andrea Restrepo-Mieth discussed her research on *Radio Encantada*, a local radio talk show in the Galapagos, with Lia Enriquez from the University of Pennsylvania and local coordinator, Wilson Castillo. Dr. Restrepo-Mieth was invited to talk about involving people in climate change adaptation planning through community science. The project is led by GERA (Galapagos Education and Research Alliance) and community partners with permission from provincial and local governments.

Jovanna Rosen was quoted in the [Philadelphia Inquirer](#) about community benefits and a new stadium in the city.

Mi Shih's research on land value and transferable development rights in Taiwan was featured in the [Taipei Times](#).



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