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READ

Desmond, Matthew. *Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City*. Crown Publishers, 2016.

In vivid, intimate prose, Desmond provides a ground-level view of one of the most urgent issues facing America today. As we see families forced into shelters, squalid apartments, or more dangerous neighborhoods, we bear witness to the human cost of America's vast inequality and to people's determination and intelligence in the face of hardship. Based on years of embedded fieldwork and painstakingly gathered data, this masterful book transforms our understanding of extreme poverty and economic exploitation and provides fresh ideas for solving a devastating, uniquely American problem. Its unforgettable scenes of hope and loss remind us of the centrality of home, without which nothing else is possible.

Raymond, Elora, Kyungsoon Wang, and Dan Immergluck. "Race and Uneven Recovery: Neighborhood Home Value Trajectories in Atlanta before and After the Housing Crisis." *Housing Studies*, vol. 31, no. 3, 2016, pp. 324-339. ProQuest, doi: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/02673037.2015.1080821>

This article, from *Housing Studies*, describes how white middle class neighborhoods regained home value after the 2008 housing crisis at a much faster rate than black neighborhoods, which also showed a much steeper decline during the crisis.

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WATCH

Exposing Housing Discrimination: A Conversation with Marge Turner and Justin Carter.
Urban Institute: Elevate The Debate. October 5, 2015.

<https://www.urban.org/features/exposing-housing-discrimination>

This brief video explores an experiment in which pairs of potential renters, one white and one person of color, try to rent apartments. Their backgrounds and prospects are very similar on paper, and the experiment was replicated hundreds of times in a wide variety of neighborhoods. The results indicated that the practice of “door slamming” discrimination has decreased but that other inequalities are still present today.

LISTEN

“Housing Segregation in Everything” *National Public Radio*, Code Switch, 11 April 2018.
<https://www.urban.org/features/exposing-housing-discrimination>

Housing segregation is in everything. But to understand the root of this issue, you have to look at the government-backed policies that created the housing disparities we see today. This episode of NPR’s “Code Switch” podcast features Gene Demby, who shares how these policies came to be and what effect they’ve had on schools, health, family wealth, and policing.

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