



WHY DOESN'T EVERYONE HAVE SAFE, AFFORDABLE, AND ACCESSIBLE

HOUSING?



**ATTITUDES &
BELIEFS**



POLICIES



**HOUSING
OPTIONS &
SUPPLY**



**HOUSING
AS PROFIT**

WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT?

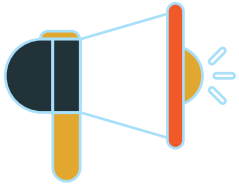
Safe and affordable housing promotes good physical and mental health. Poor quality or inadequate housing contributes to chronic disease and injuries and can have harmful effects on childhood development. Housing affordability not only shapes home and neighborhood conditions, but also affects overall ability of families to make healthy choices.



**NORTHWEST
COMMUNITY
HEALTH
INNOVATION
REGION**



ATTITUDES & BELIEFS



- Lack of SDOH focus across orgs/agencies
- Lack of support (not in my backyard)
- There is not a clear vision for an economically diverse community. Do we really want attainable housing in our community?
- Not in my backyard
- Discrimination in housing process

HOUSING AS PROFIT



- Short term rentals
- Communities prioritize high income housing and professional income housing, ignore low income
- Primary house purchase as a way to create long-term wealth conflicts with wanting more housing in community. Scarcity is better.
- Market preference for higher end housing
- Cost of development

HOUSING OPTIONS & SUPPLY



- Interpretations of 'safe' - cannot always leave current housing if unsafe
- Construction Costs/Contractor Availability for building affordable housing
- Dearth of accessible housing stock - still building new homes with staired entry
- Housing available distant from work site
- Rent is high even in counties surrounding central employment zones
- Lack of understanding of what low-income means
- Low income jobs - not livable wage

POLICIES



- Tax incentives
- Lack of diverse housing communities
- Zoning ordinances
- Ordinances