

Social Advocacy Links

Confession

- ***Ninety-three-year-old Josephine Wright's home has been in her family since the end of the Civil War. Now more than 150 years later, developers who tried to buy her out have filed a lawsuit against her, built a road about 20 feet from her front porch and show no signs of letting up.***

Video: 1:59

<https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2023/07/12/josephine-wright-vs-hilton-head-south-carolina-developers/70400156007/>

- ***How I-94 Ripped Apart the Rondo Neighborhood and One Group's Plan to Help Restore it.***
<https://www.fox9.com/news/how-i-94-ripped-apart-the-rondo-neighborhood-and-one-groups-plan-to-help-restore-it>

- ***Plans to reconnect St. Paul's Rondo neighborhood gets \$2 million boost from federal government*** **Video 2:11**
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hE6XTzHHaDE>

- ***Separate and Unequal Neighborhoods are Sustaining Racial Economic Injustice in the US.***
<https://www.brookings.edu/articles/trend-1-separate-and-unequal-neighborhoods-are-sustaining-racial-and-economic-injustice-in-the-us/>

- ***Federally subsidized suburbs created generational wealth-building opportunities for white people.***
- ***Even after decades of growing diversity and spatial mobility, most Americans still live in racially segregated neighborhoods.***
- ***Suburbanization has also segregated the nation's neighborhoods by income.***
- ***Segregation enables the real estate finance industry's predatory targeting of Black and brown neighborhoods.***

- ***Justice Department Announces New Initiative to Combat Redlining:***
The Justice Department announced the launch of the department's new Combatting Redlining Initiative today. Redlining is an illegal practice in which lenders avoid providing services to individuals living in communities of color because of the race or national origin of the people who live in those communities. The new Initiative represents the department's most aggressive and coordinated enforcement effort to

address redlining, which is prohibited by the Fair Housing Act and the Equal Credit Opportunity Act.

<https://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/justice-department-announces-new-initiative-combat-redlining>.

- *50 Years After the Fair Housing Act – Inequality Lingers: Editor’s Note: In commemoration of the 50th Anniversary of the Fair Housing Act, Trulia is proud to partner with the National Fair Housing Alliance (NFHA) to spotlight the importance of fair housing and the work that remains to achieve housing equity. This analysis was produced in partnership with NFHA and with input from the Kirwan Institute for the Study of Race and Ethnicity at Ohio State University. Learn more about NFHA’s year-long 50th anniversary celebrations here.*

<https://www.trulia.com/research/50-years-fair-housing/>

- **Seven Days Documentary - 50th Anniversary of the Fair Housing Act Edition:** *In honor of the 50th Anniversary of the passage of the 1968 Fair Housing Act and the National Fair Housing Alliance’s 30th Anniversary, Nationwide released on January 25, 2018, its short documentary film “Seven Days.” The short film, produced by Nationwide, chronicles the seven days between the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and the passage of the Fair Housing Act. **Video 8:49***

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lualCTZT2So>

Sharing the Gifts

If you are interested in the issue of geographical inequality, then a really good place to start is that the National Fair Housing Alliance (“NFHA”) is providing this Redlining Toolkit. <https://nationalfairhousing.org/issue/redlining>

HOME Line provides free and low-cost legal, organizing, education, and advocacy services so that tenants throughout Minnesota can solve their own rental housing problems. We work to improve public and private policies relating to rental housing by involving affected tenants in the process. <https://homelinemn.org/>

Groundbreaking New Tenant Protections Enacted into Law!

<https://homelinemn.org/9843/groundbreaking-new-tenant-protection-laws-await-governors-signature/>

US Supreme Court: Hennepin County illegally kept surplus from sale of woman’s home

<https://kstp.com/kstp-news/top-news/us-supreme-court-hennepin-county-illegally-kept-surplus-from-sale-of-womans-home/>