CHAPA Fair Housing Month 2023 Round Up

Throughout the month of April, we shared some of our favorite Fair Housing resources. If you missed them, not to worry! We've compiled them all here for you. Just because Fair Housing Month is over, it doesn't mean you can't commit to learning more about it and working to improve housing access in your community. Feel free to use and share all of these resources and don't hesitate to reach out to our Municipal Engagement Team for assistance.

Movies + TV Shows

Fair Housing Justice Center's Less Than or Equal To

A film collection of provocative monologues about housing discrimination inspired by real life stories.

Video Clips and Podcasts

Boston Public Radio: Sep. 19, 2022

Listen to one of our 2023 Open Door Champion Awardees, Iván Espinoza-Madrigal discuss the relief efforts for the dozens of migrants that were sent to Martha's Vineyard last year and his call for an investigation against those responsible.

Does My Neighborhood Determine My Future?

In this podcast episode, Host Lee Adams explores the effects that residential segregation has on all of our futures.

Episode 5: Dr. Thea James and Dr. James Jennings

Listen to this podcast episode from Dudley Street Neighborhood Initiative about wealth in communities of color, health equity, community organizing, and specific public policies to address the racial wealth gap.

Managing Director David Harris Honored with Governor's Award in the Humanities

Learn more about one of our 2023 Open Door Champion Awardees, David Harris, and his amazing work in this podcast episode.

Study Examines Politics of "NIMBY"

Watch this video of one of our 2023 Open Door Champion Awardees, Katherine Einstein from The Housing Politics Lab team that also consists of Maxwell Palmer and David Glick, talk about their research. Their book "Neighborhood Defenders" shows who is and is not represented during public meetings on housing development.

The Takeaway-Deep Dive: Fair Housing

Listen to Melissa Harris-Perry and Dorian Warren take a deep dive into the history and current state of fair housing in the United States.

Trailer for Our America: Lowballed

A series by ABC News that follows Black and Latinx families as they fight for fair home values after lower-than-expected appraisals.

News Articles

Ellen Shachter hard at work in Somerville's Office of Housing Stability

Check out this profile on another one of our 2023 Open Door Champion Awardees, Ellen Shachter, and her diligent work in Somerville.

Massachusetts Needs a State Office of Fair Housing

This amazing article was written by CHAPA's CEO Rachel Heller and Soni Gupta, Associate Vice President for Neighborhoods and Housing at The Boston Foundation. They both make the case for why the Commonwealth needs an Office of Fair Housing to further our efforts to Affirmatively Further Fair Housing.

Websites and Other Resources

Homes for Equity Report: Profiteering, Neglect, Persistent Housing Discrimination of Roxbury

We were so lucky to be able to dive into this report during the symposium, read the full version here if you have not had a chance to do so. This report documents the history of housing discrimination in Roxbury, MA.

National Community Reinvestment Coalition Report: Faulty Foundations: Mystery-Shopper Testing in Home Appraisals

We deep dove into this report during the symposium as well, feel free to look through the whole report here. This report exposes racial bias in the home appraisal process.

The Redress Movement

Check out this resource list from The Redress Movement. This includes a comprehensive vocabulary list, neighbor's guide, and curriculum modules.