

# ACCESS TO LOW POVERTY NEIGHBORHOODS

## Regional Issues and Resources

### **Contributing Factor:**

Access to Financial Services

### **Regional organizations/programs addressing factor:**

- Omaha 100
- Family Housing Advisory Services
- GreenPath Financial Wellness
- Nebraska Investment Finance Authority (NIFA)

### **Contributing Factor:**

Lack of resources for fair housing agencies and organizations. Need for enforcement to help identify source of income discrimination regarding housing choice vouchers and SSI (disability benefits).

### **Regional organizations/programs addressing factor:**

- Fair Housing Center of Nebraska-Iowa
- Midwest Equity Housing Group
- Family Housing Advisory Services

### **Contributing Factor:**

Lack of affordable housing policy

### **Regional organizations/programs addressing factor:**

- Omaha Omaha Together Community OTOC
- Nebraska Investment Finance Authority (NIFA)
- City of Omaha, Bellevue, and Council Bluffs
- *The organizations and programs above are not an exhaustive list*

# Disproportionate Housing Needs

## Regional Issues and Resources

### Contributing Factor:

Location and type of affordable housing and lack of affordable housing in a range of units and sizes

### Regional organizations/programs addressing factor:

- InCommon
- Seventy-Five North
- Habitat for Humanity
- Council Bluffs Community Development
- Holy Name Housing

### Contributing Factor:

Source of income discrimination

### Regional organizations/programs addressing factor:

- Fair Housing Center
- Family Housing Advisory Services
- Human Rights and Relations City of Omaha

### Contributing Factor:

Deteriorated and abandoned properties

### Regional organizations/programs addressing factor:

- Omaha Together One Community (OTOC)
- Habitat for Humanity
- Omaha Healthy Kids
- Creighton University Abrahams Legal Clinic
- HUD Omaha

- *The organizations and programs above are not an exhaustive list*

# Disability & Access

## Regional Issues and Resources

### **Contributing Factor:**

Lack of access to transportation

### **Regional organizations/programs addressing factor:**

- Southwest Iowa Transit Agency (SWITA)
- MOBY paratransit service (Metro Area Transit)
- Regional Coordinated Transit Committee (MAPA)

### **Contributing Factor:**

Lack of affordable, accessible housing in a range of units and sizes

### **Regional organizations/programs addressing factor:**

- Holy Name Housing
- Habitat for Humanity
- Omaha Economic Development Corporation
- Family Housing Advisory Services

### **Contributing Factor:**

Lack of assistance for housing accessibility modifications

### **Regional organizations/programs addressing factor:**

- League of Human Dignity
- Rebuilding Together Omaha
- Goodfellows Charities
- Assistive Technology Partnership
- Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired

- *The organizations and programs above are not an exhaustive list*

# EDUCATION

## Regional Issues and Resources

### **Contributing Factor:**

Lack of job/skills training programs (in sectors that provide a livable wage) for both youth and adults

### **Regional organizations/programs addressing factor:**

- Metropolitan Community College
- Step-Up Omaha
- Heartland Workforce Solutions
- Aim Interface School: Highlander (Seventy-five North)
- Empowerment Network

### **Contributing Factor:**

Lack of support for families in areas including transportation, childcare, and health centers

### **Regional organizations/programs addressing factor:**

- One World Community Health Centers
- Charles Drew
- Salvation Army
- Boys and Girls Club
- Learning Community of Douglas and Sarpy Counties

### **Contributing Factor:**

Lack of education on landlord tenant laws, financial services, and home ownership to a broad range of residents and in multiple languages

### **Regional organizations/programs addressing factor:**

- City of Omaha Human Rights and Relations
- Family Housing Advisory Services
- Creighton University Abrahams Legal Clinic
- Justice for Our Neighbors
- Legal Aid Nebraska
- *The organizations and programs above are not an exhaustive list*

# Employment

## Regional Issues and Resources

### **Contributing Factor:**

Location of employers. Spatial mismatch between the location of major employers and the largest population of unemployed residents. Additional mismatch between the types of jobs located nearest residents in eastern Omaha and the education and job skills required.

### **Regional organizations/programs addressing factor:**

- Omaha Economic Development Corp (OEDC)
- Urban League of Nebraska Career Bootcamp
- Step-Up Omaha

### **Contributing Factor:**

Lack of private investment in specific neighborhoods. Impacts density, available amenities, and job opportunities.

### **Regional organizations/programs addressing factor:**

- Empowerment Network
- Seventy-Five North
- Omaha Small Business Network (OSBN)
- Catholic Charities Microbusiness Training Program
- THRIVE (Omaha Chamber of Commerce)

### **Contributing Factor:**

Lack of affordable housing near major employers and/or a lack of employers who provide or invest in housing and/or transportation for employees

### **Regional organizations/programs addressing factor:**

- Together Omaha
- Omaha Landbank
- University of Nebraska Transportation Program (UNO/UNMC)

• *The organizations and programs above are not an exhaustive list*

# ENVIRONMENT

## Regional Issues and Resources

### Contributing Factor:

Age and deterioration housing stock. Poor quality of affordable housing stock associated with environmental hazards such as lead, mold, asbestos, radon.

### Regional organizations/programs addressing factor:

- Omaha HUD Healthy Homes Program
- Omaha Healthy Kids Alliance
- NeighborWorks Home Solutions
- Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)
- Habitat for Humanity

### Contributing Factor:

Insects and rodents

### Regional organizations/programs addressing factor:

- Environmental Protection Agency
- County Health Departments
- Nebraska DHHS

### Contributing Factor:

Noise Pollution

### Regional organizations/programs addressing factor:

- Little Steps Big Impact
- Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality and Control
- Iowa Department of Natural Resources

- *The organizations and programs above are not an exhaustive list*

# Public Housing

## Regional Issues and Resources

### **Contributing Factor:**

Community Opposition

### **Regional organizations/programs addressing factor:**

- InCommon
- Council Bluffs Community Development
- Local Housing Authorities

### **Contributing Factor:**

Impediments to mobility

### **Regional organizations/programs addressing factor:**

- Refugee Task Force
- Lutheran Family Services
- Pottawattamie County Landlord Association
- Local Housing Authorities

### **Contributing Factor:**

Quality and affordable housing information

### **Regional organizations/programs addressing factor:**

- City of Omaha Human Rights and Relations
- Family Housing Advisory Services
- Metro Omaha Property Owners Association
- Local Housing Authorities

- *The organizations and programs above are not an exhaustive list*

# RECAPs

Racially and/or Ethnically Concentrated Areas of Poverty

## Regional Issues and Resources

### Contributing Factor:

Lack of private investment

### Regional organizations/programs addressing factor:

- Nebraska Investment Finance Authority (NIFA)
- Sherwood Foundation
- Empowerment Network
- Council Bluffs Community Development
- Urban League Nebraska
- One Omaha
- Spark

### Contributing Factor:

Deteriorated and abandoned properties

### Regional organizations/programs addressing factor:

- Omaha Municipal Land Bank
- Habitat for Humanity
- Omaha Healthy Kids Alliance
- Southeast Nebraska Community Action Partnership
- Brush Up Nebraska

### Contributing Factor:

Lack of affordable housing in a range of units and sizes

### Regional organizations/programs addressing factor:

- Mercy Housing
- Seldin
- Seventy-five North
- Habitat for Humanity
- Holy Name Housing

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# Segregation and Integration

## Regional Issues and Resources

### **Contributing Factor:**

Community opposition including cultural attitudes regarding ability, race and poverty.

### **Regional organizations/programs addressing factor:**

- Empowerment Network
- Urban League Nebraska
- Inclusive Communities
- City of Omaha Human and Rights and Relations
- Omaha Community Foundation

### **Contributing Factor:**

Land use and zoning laws

### **Regional organizations/programs addressing factor:**

- Creighton University School of Law
- InCommon Community Development
- Omaha Together One Community (OTOC)
- Nebraska Investment Finance Authority

### **Contributing Factor:**

Access to publicly supported housing for people with disabilities

### **Regional organizations/programs addressing factor:**

- Disability Rights Nebraska
- Community Alliance
- ENCOR
- Sheltering Tree
- Salvation Army

- *The organizations and programs above are not an exhaustive list*

# TRANSPORTATION

## Regional Issues and Resources

### **Contributing Factor:**

Lack of availability, type, frequency, and reliability of public transportation

### **Regional organizations/programs addressing factor:**

- Modeshift Omaha
- Metro Area Transit (MAT)
- Metropolitan Area Planning Agency (MAPA)
- Regional Coordinated Transit Committee

### **Contributing Factor:**

Lack of affordable housing along transit routes

### **Regional organizations/programs addressing factor:**

- Seventy-Five North
- Omaha Municipal Land Bank
- Seldin Company

### **Contributing Factor:**

Lack of transportation resources for elderly residents and persons with disabilities

### **Regional organizations/programs addressing factor:**

- IntelliRide Nebraska
- Southwest Iowa Transit Agency (SWITA)
- Heartland Connections (MAPA and MAT)
- MOBY (MAT Paratransit)

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