

# CAN GENTRIFICATION BE ETHICAL?

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# GOALS OF SESSION

- Discuss the ethical considerations when dealing with gentrification and the impacts in our work
- Determine changes that can be made in our fields to lessen the negative impacts of gentrification
- Learn ways to have equity as a project goal, not an afterthought

## WHAT IS THE AICP CODE OF ETHICS?

### **A: Principles to Which We Aspire**

- Our overall responsibility to the public
- Our responsibility to our clients and employers
- Our responsibility to our profession & colleagues

### **B: Our Rules of Conduct**

- You “shall” or “shall not”

### **C: Advisory Opinions**

- Getting advice
- Annual report

### **D: Adjudication of Complaints of Misconduct**

- Filing a complaint
- Decisions and appeals

### **E: Discipline of Members**

- Forms of discipline
- Notification and publication

## ▪ **Gentrification**

- “the form of neighborhood change characterized by the arrival of higher-income and often-time higher-educated residents, along with increasing rents, property values and cost-of-living, and decreasing non-white populations” (Regional Plan Association)

## ▪ **Displacement**

- “when housing or neighborhood conditions force moves . . .It can result from reinvestment in the neighborhood – planned or actual, private or public – or disinvestment” (Karen Chapple)

## ▪ **Ethics**

- Moral principles that govern a person’s behavior or the conducting of an activity
- “Standards that protect the integrity of the profession and play a part in maintaining public confidence” (APA Planning for Equity Policy Guide)

# THANK YOU

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