CAN GENTRIFICATION BE ETHICAL?

Rocky Mountain Land Use Institute

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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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