

# PRRAC

## Poverty & Race Research Action Council

Addressing Structural Inequality through  
the Promotion of Research-Based Advocacy.

### About PRRAC

The Poverty & Race Research Action Council (PRRAC) is a civil rights law and policy organization based in Washington, D.C. Our mission is to promote research-based advocacy strategies to address structural inequality and disrupt the systems that disadvantage low-income people of color.

PRRAC was founded in 1989, through an initiative of major civil rights, civil liberties, and antipoverty groups seeking to connect advocates with social scientists working at the intersection of race and poverty.

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### Our Work

#### Aim of PRRAC

Our current work focuses on the areas of housing, education, and environmental justice, with a focus on developing actionable policies to overcome the mechanisms that continue to reproduce historical patterns of racial segregation.

#### Fair Housing

PRRAC's fair housing work encompasses implementation of the Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing mandate, as well as research and advocacy to expand opportunity in federal housing programs at HUD, the Treasury Department, and state housing finance agencies. We also provide technical assistance to local housing agencies and advocates on AFFH, housing mobility, and local reform of the Housing Choice Voucher program.

#### Education

The National Coalition on School Diversity (NCSd) is a network of national civil rights organizations, university-based research centers, and state and local coalitions working to expand support for government policies that promote school diversity and reduce racial and economic isolation in elementary and secondary schools. We also support the work of state and local school diversity practitioners.

#### Environmental Justice

PRRAC works to develop and support environmental justice advocacy, with a focus on strong national and local partnership strategies. Harmful and inequitable environmental hazard siting, enforcement disparities, and other EJ issues have often been closely connected to residential segregation and concentrated poverty, as well as racial bias and disparities in access to power structures.



## Recent Highlights

### PUBLICATIONS

> *Housing and Schools: The Importance of Engagement for Educators and Education Advocates* (NEA & PRRAC, April 2019)

> *Where Families With Children Use Housing Vouchers: A Comparative Look at the 50 Largest Metropolitan Areas* (Alicia Mazzara, CBPP and Brian Knudsen, PRRAC, January 2019)

> *Strategies for Health Justice: Lessons from the Field* (Edited by Megan Haberle and Heidi Kurniawan, November 2018)

> *Coordination of Community Systems and Institutions to Promote Housing and School Integration* (Philip Tegeler and Micah Herskind, November 2018)

> *Developing Opportunity: Innovative Models for Strategic Housing Acquisition* (Peter Kye, Michael Mouton and Megan Haberle, October 2018)

> *Housing Mobility Programs in the U.S.* (Andrea Juracek, Alison Bell, Nicole Rolfe, Philip Tegeler, Heidi Kurniawan and Micah Herskind, October 2018)

### FEATURED EVENT

> The 7th Annual National Conference on Housing Mobility (October 16-17, 2018)

### CHALLENGING ROLLBACKS

> National Fair Housing Alliance, et al. v. Carson: challenging AFFH rule suspension (co-counsel).

> Open Communities Alliance, et al. v. Carson: successfully preserved Small Area Fair Market Rent Rule (co-counsel)

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