SMARTER AND MORE EQUITABLE GROWTH: GETTING REAL ABOUT JOBS AND HOUSING

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- Challenging the systemic causes of poverty and racial discrimination since 1971.
- Strengthening community voices and achieving tangible legal victories
- Advancing SOCIAL EQUITY in areas such as:
 - Education
 - Housing
 - Transit

Vital building blocks of thriving communities



SUSTAINABILITY AND SOCIAL EQUITY: PAST AND PRESENT

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History shows us that climate change, sprawl, and social equity issues share common origins



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SUBSIDIZED WHITE FLIGHT & SUBURBAN EXCLUSION

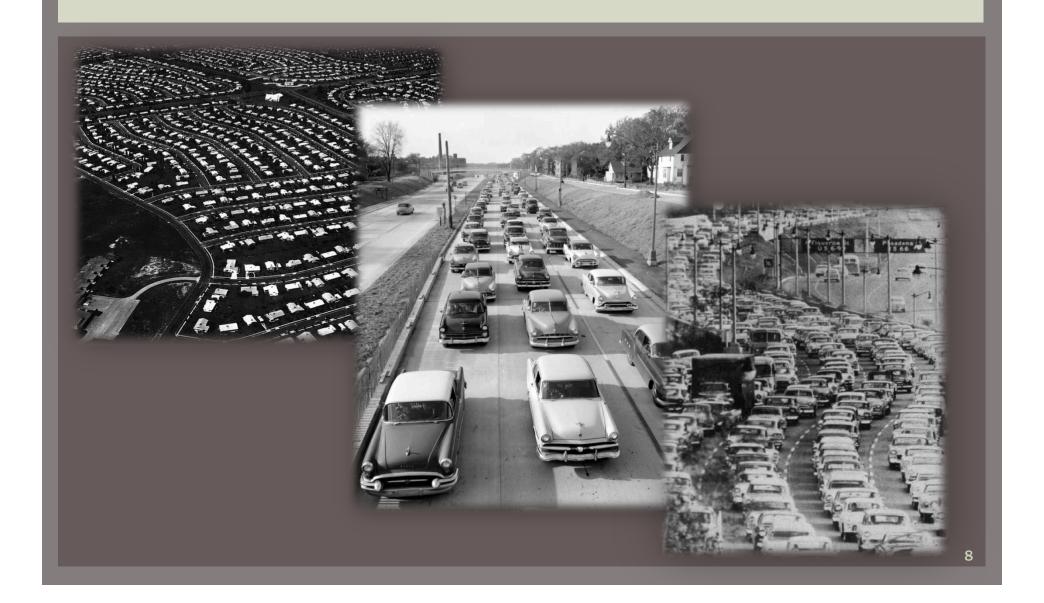


- or indirectly by any negro or negroes, provided that this restriction shall not prevent the occupation, during the period of their employment, of janitors' or chauffeurs' quarters in the basement or in a barn or garage in the rear, or of servants' quarters by negro janitors, chauffeurs or house servants, respectively, actually employed as such for service in and about the premises by the rightful owner or occupant of said premises.
- The restriction that no part of said premises shall be sold, given, conveyed or leased to any negro or negroes, and no permission or license to use or occupy any part thereof shall be given to any negro except house servants or janitors or chauffeurs employed thereon as aforesaid.

DISMANTLING OF LOCAL TRANSIT INFRASTRUCTURE



CREATED UNSUSTAINABLE PATTERNS . . .



... THAT PERSIST TODAY



SHARED HISTORY, SHARED SOLUTIONS

Maximizing social equity also maximizes environmental benefits, reduces sprawl, and creates more sustainable regions.



SMART GROWTH & SUBURBAN EXCLUSION: THE JOBS-HOUSING CONNECTION

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Community Power

Local Transit Service Investment Without Displacement

Healthy & Safe Communities

Affordable Housing

Economic Opportunity

6 BIG WINS FOR SOCIAL EQUITY



THE EQUITY, ENVIRONMENT & JOBS SCENARIO

- Distribute Housing Growth Equitably: Increase quality affordable housing options in both urban areas and suburban job centers
- Protect against Displacement:
 Ensure that lower-income communities are not displaced by TOD by regional grant incentives (OBAG)
- Improve Local Transit Service:
 Fund more of the local transit service on which low-income riders of color depend

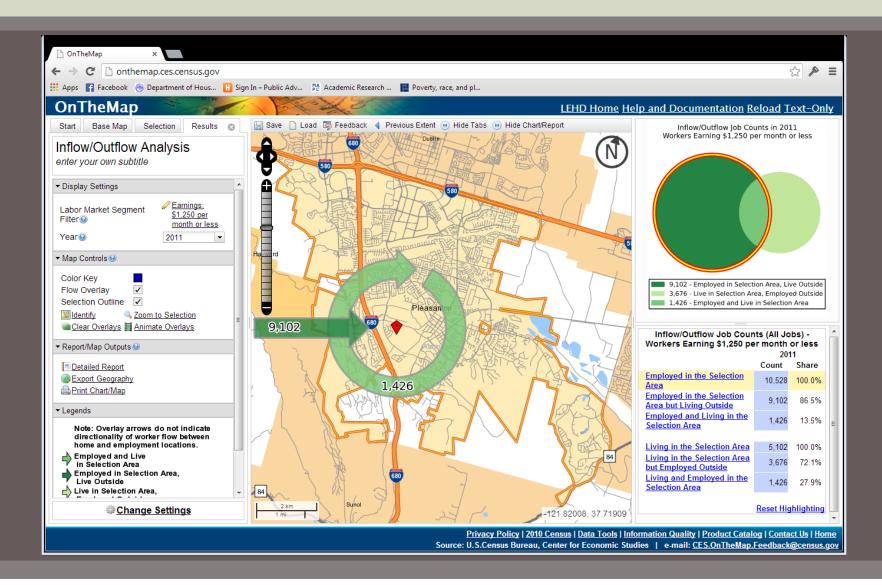
CASE STUDY: PLEASANTON, CA JOBS AND TRANSIT WITHOUT HOUSING

- **70,000** residents
- High Quality Public Schools
- HQ of Safeway, Clorox; major Kaiser facilities
- 2 BART Stations
- 25 year plan for 40,000 new jobs; fewer than 3,000 new homes
- 40,000 daily in-commuters



LEHD DATA: LOW-INCOME IN-COMMUTERS

HTTP://ONTHEMAP.CES.CENSUS.GOV/



BETTER DATA: JOBS-HOUSING "FIT"

"increasing housing and transit affordability, and improving the jobs-housing fit in the SCS forecasted development areas should increase greenhouse gas reduction."

Recommendations of the Regional Targets Advisory Committee (RTAC) Pursuant to California Senate Bill 375, September 29, 2009



THANK YOU!

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