

## WHAT'S THE EVIDENCE?

 Utilizing weighted regression approach to 341 metro areas in the U.S. 1990-2000

Per capita income as a function of:

- (+)regional education
- (-) manufacturing concentration
- (+)central city presence
- (-) previous income
- (?)region of U.S.
- (-) measure of inequity, including ratio of city to suburb poverty, concentration of poverty, income distribution, black-white segregation

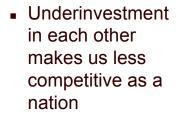


#### FROM THE FEDERAL RESERVE



- Federal Reserve of Cleveland studies almost 120 mid-size regions, looking for factors that predict regional prosperity
  - Usual suspects: skilled workforce, quality of life, industrial decline
    - Unusual suspects: income inequality, racial exclusion, concentration of poverty – and they're highly significant

## IT'S A BROADER STORY









 Social tensions over who will gain and who will lose make us less likely to cohere on what we need to do to thrive

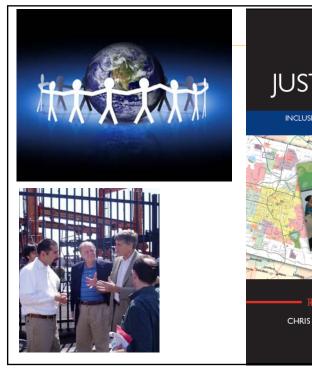
# WHERE TO BEGIN

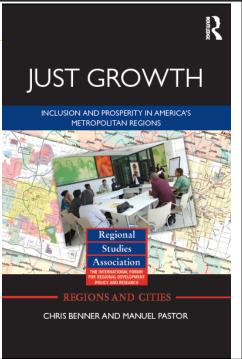
 Metros offer new scale for doing well and doing good, fusing competitiveness and inclusion





- Configuration of metropolitan space and opportunity has become center – from racial justice to spatial justice
  - Metros offer new opportunities to bridge difference face-to-face, raceto-race, space-to-space





# LOOKING FORWARD: Challenge and Opportunity



Immigrant integration is

- · improved economic mobility for,
- enhanced civic participation by, and
- receiving society openness to immigrants.

Integration requires an intentional process that incorporates the assets of immigrant populations into policies governing our cities, regions, and states.

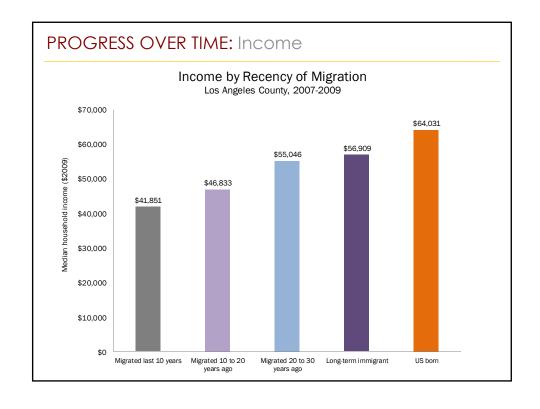
#### INTEGRATION OCCURRING ALREADY

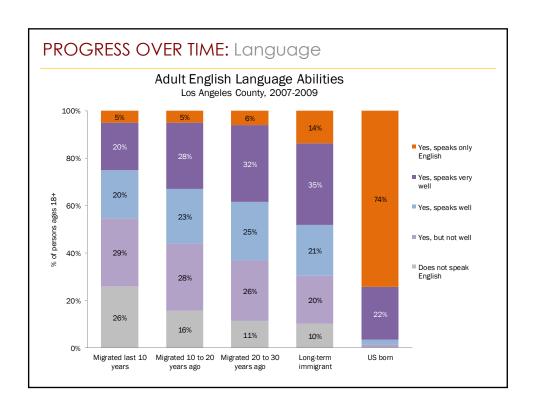
Immigrants advance economically and socially with more experience in the US already

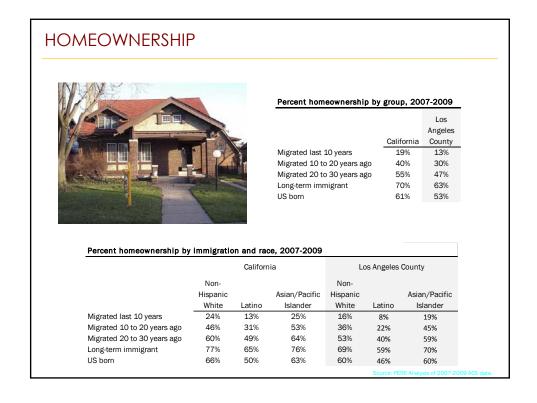
 Longer time in the US = higher socio-economic status and greater English language ability

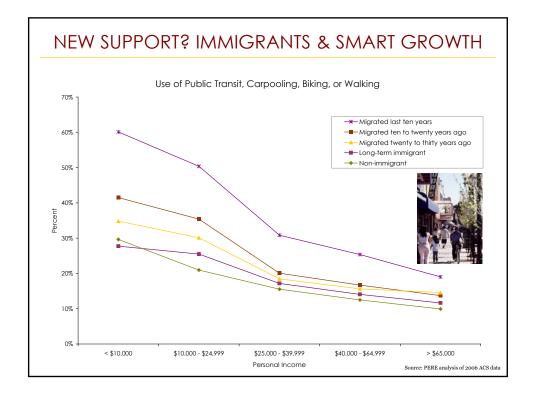












# NEW SUPPORT? THE GEOGRAPHY OF HOUSING

# The Geography of Young Professionals

- Scarred by the Recession: Gen-Xers bore the brunt of the foreclosure crisis and don't see homes as a safe investment
- See value in living closer to work: Permits for single-family homes are on the decline (20% of peak), permits for multi-family are on the rise (40% of peak)



ource: Houston Tomorro

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#### Re-concentration of living in the recovery

- In California, Coastal (read urban) markets have hit bottom, inland (read exurban) markets have not yet turned.
- "We haven't overbuilt, we've just built in the wrong place . . .
  The incremental demand for housing is moving more into multifamiliy housing"
  - -J.Nickelsburg, UCLA Annenberg Forecast



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#### LEADING THROUGH THE DIVIDE



 Understanding that equity and inclusion are no longer luxuries but imperatives for economic and social sustainability



 Understanding the need for policy packages, unexpected alliances, and new collaborations



 Reimagining "Smart Growth" and determining new models of participation, capacity building and coalitions

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