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“No Section 8” How source of income discrimination drives housing segregation in Philadelphia



WHEN:

Thursday, April 23, 2020, 1-2 p.m.

WHERE:

Online via Zoom

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Half of all Philadelphia renters are rent-burdened, spending more than 30 percent of their income on housing costs. Housing Choice Vouchers, often referred to as “Section 8,” help low-income families navigate the increasingly expensive private rental market. However, here in Philadelphia, more than two-thirds of landlords won’t accept these vouchers—and the rejection rates are even higher in more wealthy neighborhoods. This widespread refusal to take housing assistance keeps low-income renters concentrated in disadvantaged neighborhoods and disproportionately affects Black families, who make up 80 percent of Philadelphia voucher holders. Learn how we are taking on this source of income discrimination, which is illegal under Philadelphia law, both inside and outside the courtroom.