

Strategies for Using the 2020 Decennial Data and Beyond

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DHC Data Uses for Asian American and NHPI Community Advocacy - AAJC

Policy advocacy on language accessibility in voting and fair political redistricting relies on total population data.

Housing rights and tenant advocacy uses household type data for the identification of immigrant neighborhoods and ethnic communities with the most pressing housing needs.

Housing-related issues further informed by info about complex households and nontraditional living situations for different communities (from average household size of occupied housing units by tenure data).

Examples from Housing Advocacy in New Orleans

HousingNOLA uses ACS data to track vacancy rates, in order to develop affordable housing options out of vacant homes.

The Data Center uses DHC data to update academic analyses of shifts in homeownership and household makeup across racial and ethnic groups.

Other Important Civil Rights Issue Areas

The National Community Reinvestment Coalition produced their report on **gentrification** based primarily off ACS data. SF1 data was also used, as it was the only data on racial and ethnic subgroups with a low enough sampling error to make a precise evaluation of the number of people possibly displaced.

The National Resources Defense Council relies on ACS and SF1 data to evaluate the implementation and enforcement of laws such as the Clean Water Act, Safe Drinking Water Act, and Clean Air Act. These data are critical for identifying and fixing practices causing **environmental injustice** for low-income communities and communities of color.

Other Important Civil Rights Issue Areas

Advocates are pressing the NYC MTA to prioritize transit equity in their transportation planning. Data on the racial and ethnic makeup of neighborhoods would allow the MTA to identify which communities lack access to affordable transit options to access jobs and other resources.

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Thank You.