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- IHS's mission is to provide reliable, impartial, and timely data and research to inform housing and community development policy decisions and discussions in the Chicago region and nationally
- IHS accomplishes this through an applied research model
 - Data collection and improvement
 - Research
 - Technical assistance
- Presentation Lessons from Measuring the Impact of The 606
 - Research on changing housing market dynamics in neighborhoods near The 606
 - How the market response varied depending on underlying demographic, socioeconomic and housing market characteristics
 - Implications for preserving affordability around future public investment projects and how IHS is building on these findings to understand displacement citywide

Role of Public Investment in Driving Neighborhood Change

Impacts on housing demand, supply, and affordability

- A new amenity can attract new households, increasing demand for housing
- New demand and investments can lead to increased house prices and rents
- New development likely unaffordable to low- and moderate-income households

Lost affordability and displacement pressure

- Increased costs exacerbate cost-burden and destabilize housing situations
- Renters, seniors, low-income households, large households, and cost-burdened households are at greater risk for displacement in a rising cost environment

Price changes are an indicator of shifting demand and affordability

- IHS used its House Price Index to understand the impact of The 606
- Price index model controls for housing, location, and transaction characteristics to track changes in the sales price of a "typical" single family home

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SOURCE: IHS DATA CLEARINGHOUSE

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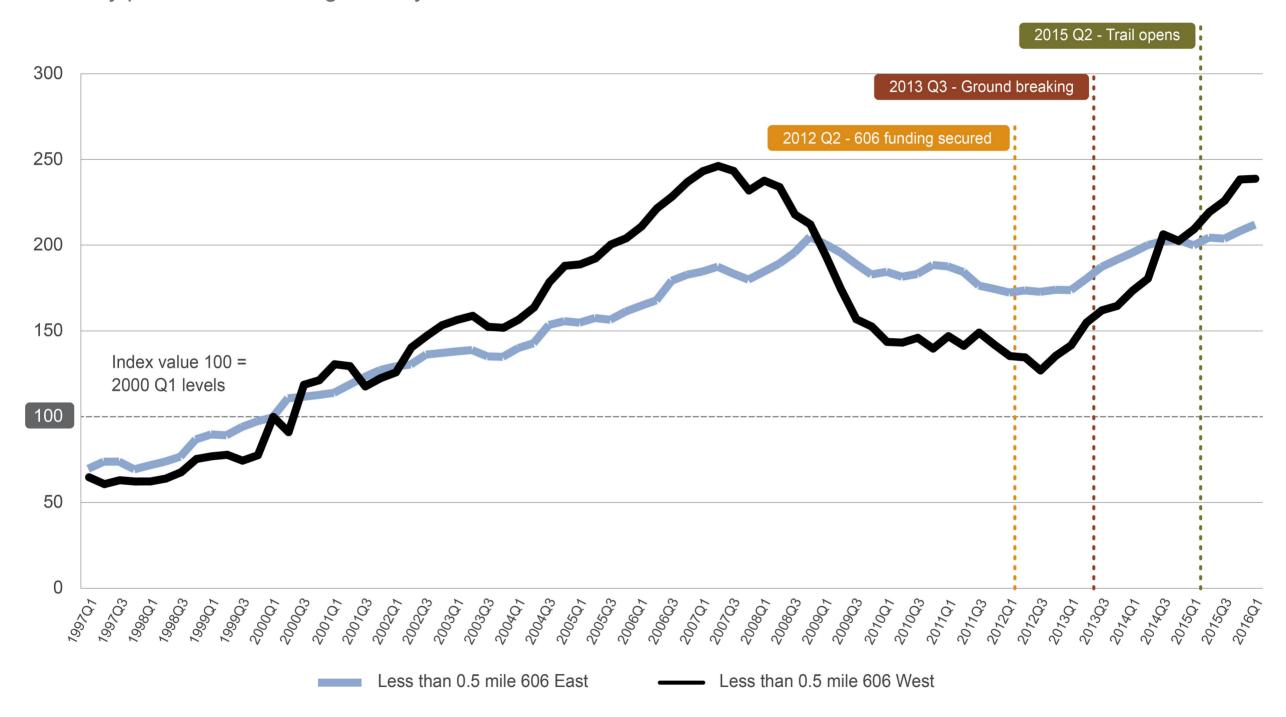
Characteristics of the eastern and western neighborhoods adjacent to The 606

	606 West	606 East
Median Household Income	\$ 49,701	\$ 115,924
Poverty Rate	25.5%	4.8%
Renter Share	61.5%	41.5%
Renter Cost-Burden Share	50.5%	27.0%
Latino Share	67.3%	11.1%
4+ Person Household Share	25.5%	9.4%
Properties Impacted by Foreclosure	24.1%	7.1%
Investor Share	20.7%	4.8%

SOURCE: IHS CALCULATONS OF AMERICAN COMMUNITIES SURVEY DATA - 5-YEAR, 2009-14, IHS DATA CLEARINGHOUSE, 2015

Price trends along The 606

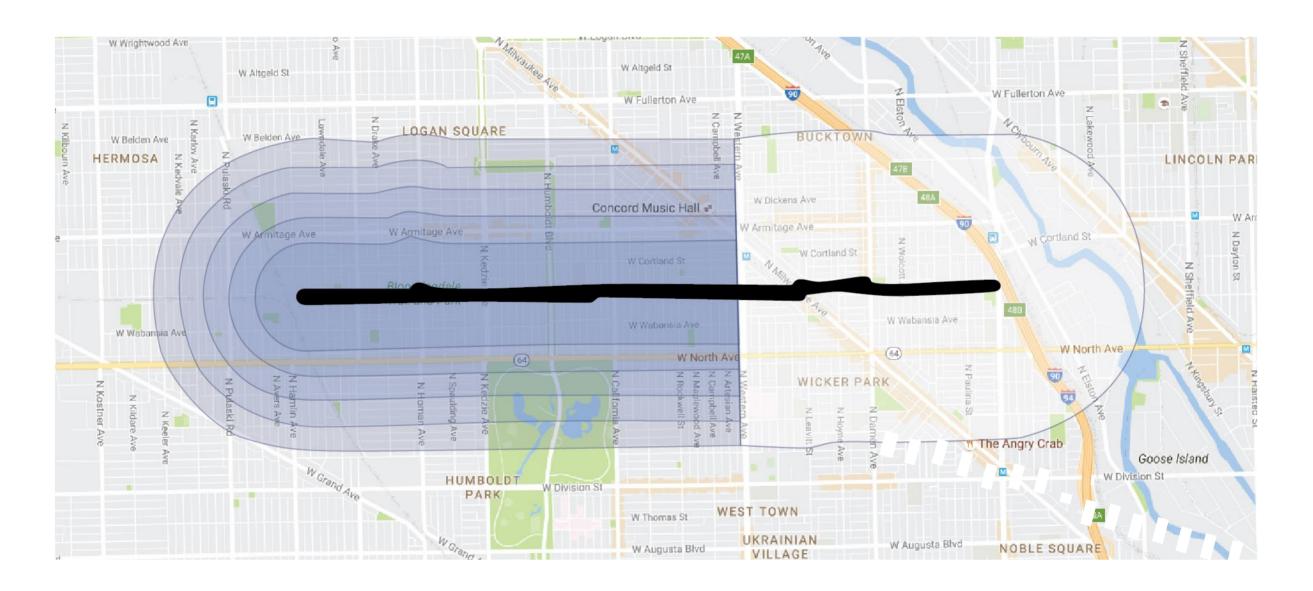
Quarterly price trends for single family homes within ½ mile of The 606, 1997 to 2016 1Q



SOURCE: IHS COOK COUNTY HOUSE PRICE INDEX 2016 1Q

Was there a premium in 606 West?

Change in price premium in 606 West by distance (miles) from The 606



SOURCE: IHS CALCULATIONS OF DATA FROM IHS COOK COUNTY HOUSE PRICE INDEX 2016 1Q

Key Findings for Policy and Practice

Neighborhood characteristics matter

 A neighborhood's location, housing characteristics and the underlying vulnerability of the population to displacement can help us anticipate effects.

The timing of interventions are important to their success

 The market can change quickly and many of the most robust strategies to preserve affordability are impractical in strong markets.

Proximity matters

 The impact varies depending on distance to the project and policies can similarly be geographically targeted.

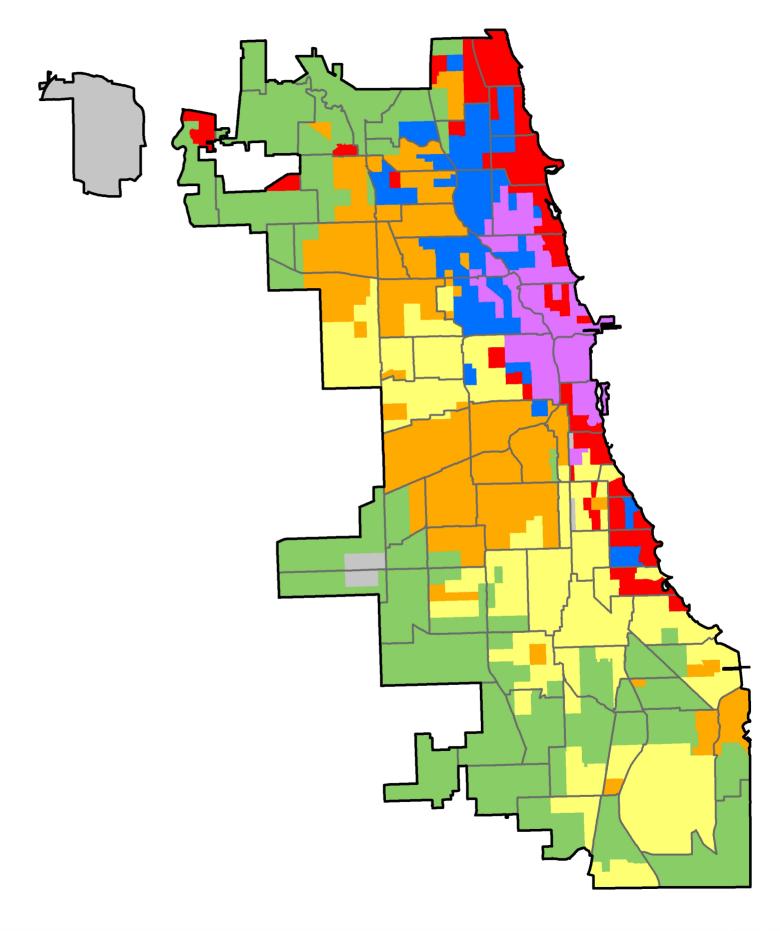
Policy incentives must be responsive to market changes

 Understanding the scale of effects can help inform policy incentives targeted to owners to keep housing affordable.

Using data to target and prioritize preservation strategies

Identifying areas with vulnerable populations and housing types

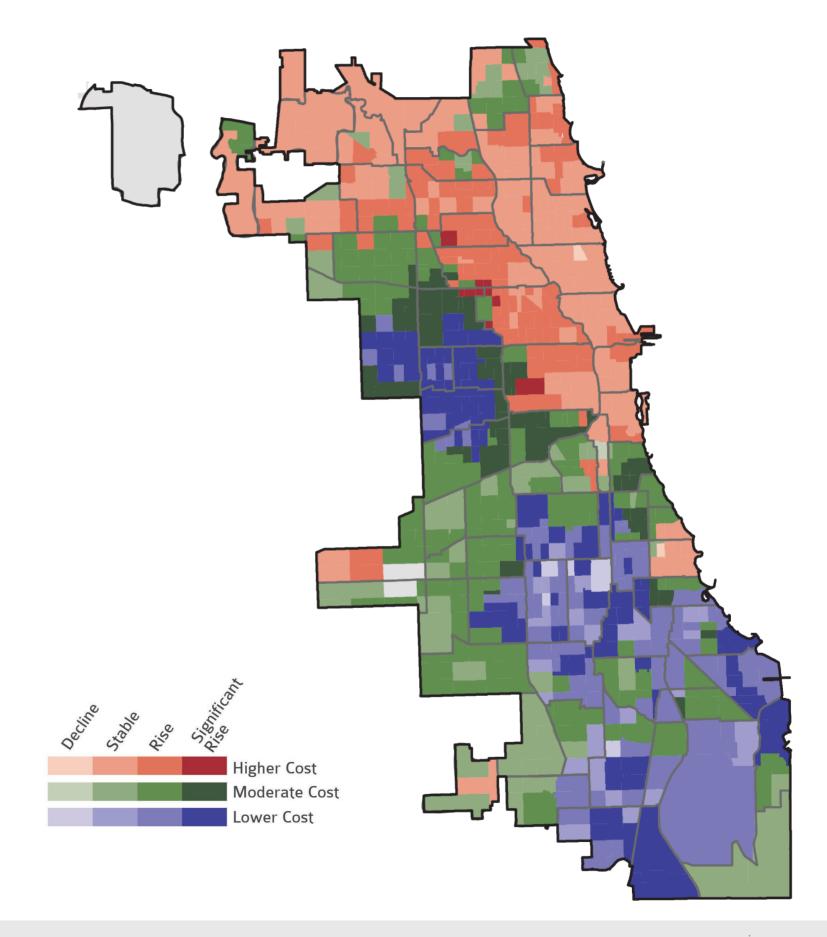
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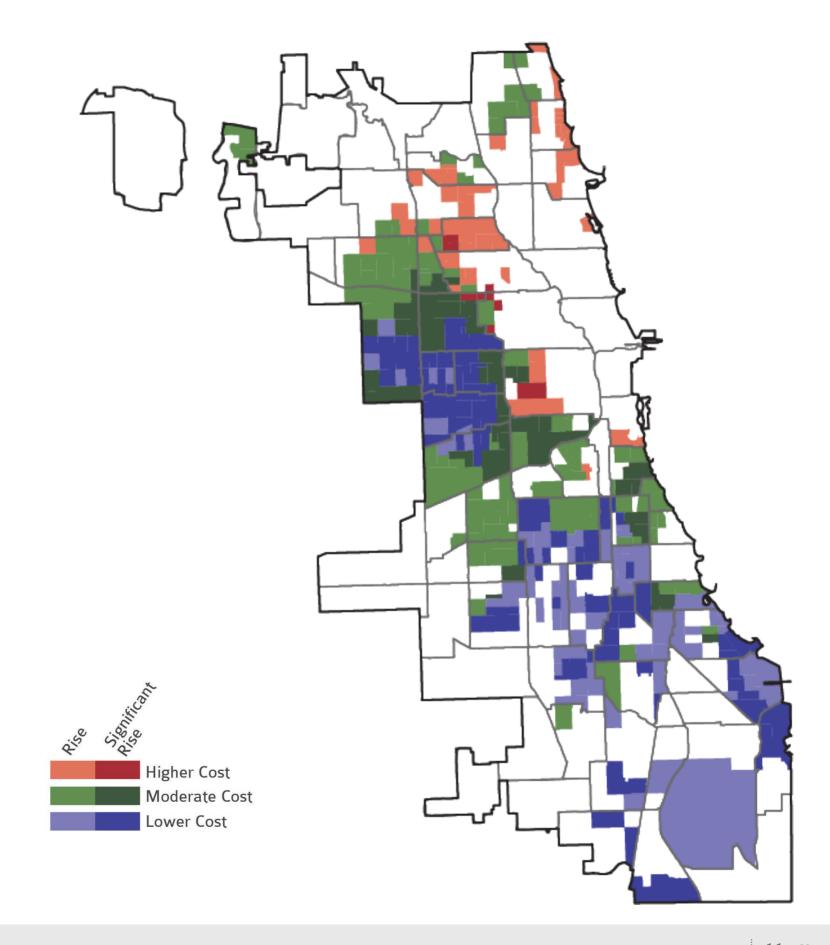
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Current and changing levels of affordability in vulnerable neighborhoods

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Assessing Displacement Risk in Vulnerable, Rising Markets

High-cost

- Likely active displacement
- High demand for market-rate housing creates opportunities and challenges for policies leveraging that demand to build and preserve affordable units

Moderate-cost

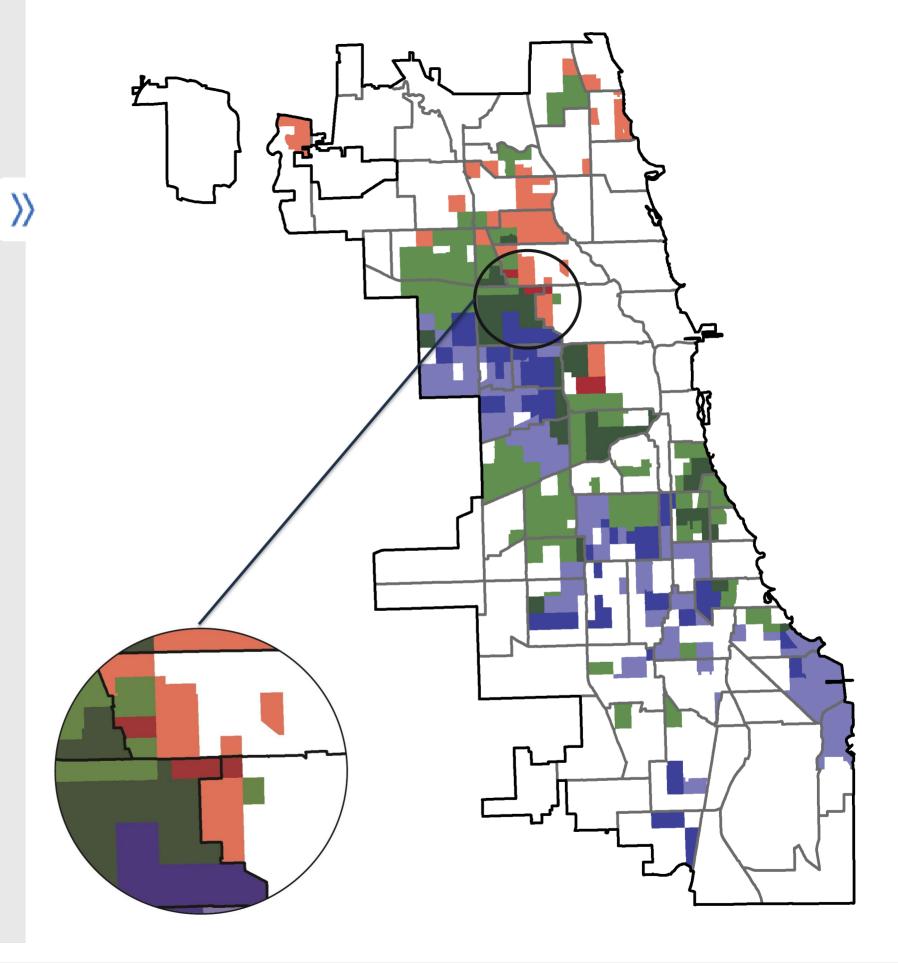
- Potential "tipping-point" neighborhood
- The relative affordability of these markets gives practitioners an opportunity for more proactive policies to preserve affordability, but window is closing

Low-cost

- Limited current risk from rising prices
- Population loss tied to long-term disinvestment might be more critical type of displacement
- Abundance of lower-value properties and land may provide the best opportunity for comprehensive, long-term housing strategies for inclusive growth

Census Tracts
Vulnerable to
Displacement
with Rising
Costs

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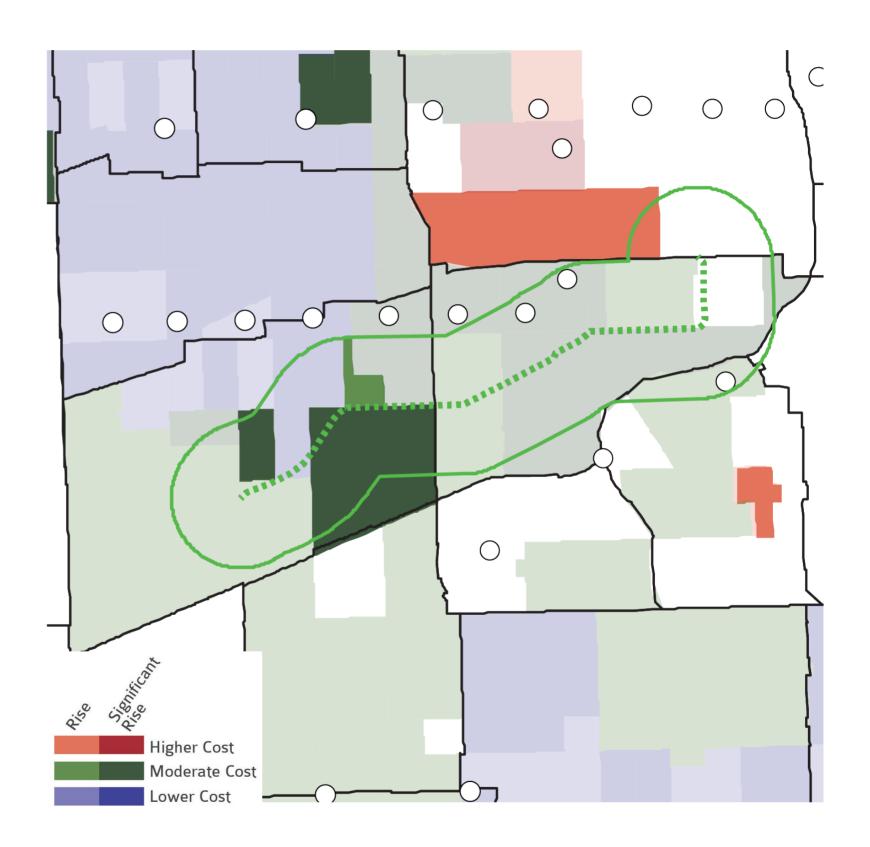
Case study – Neighborhoods Surrounding Proposed El Paseo Trail

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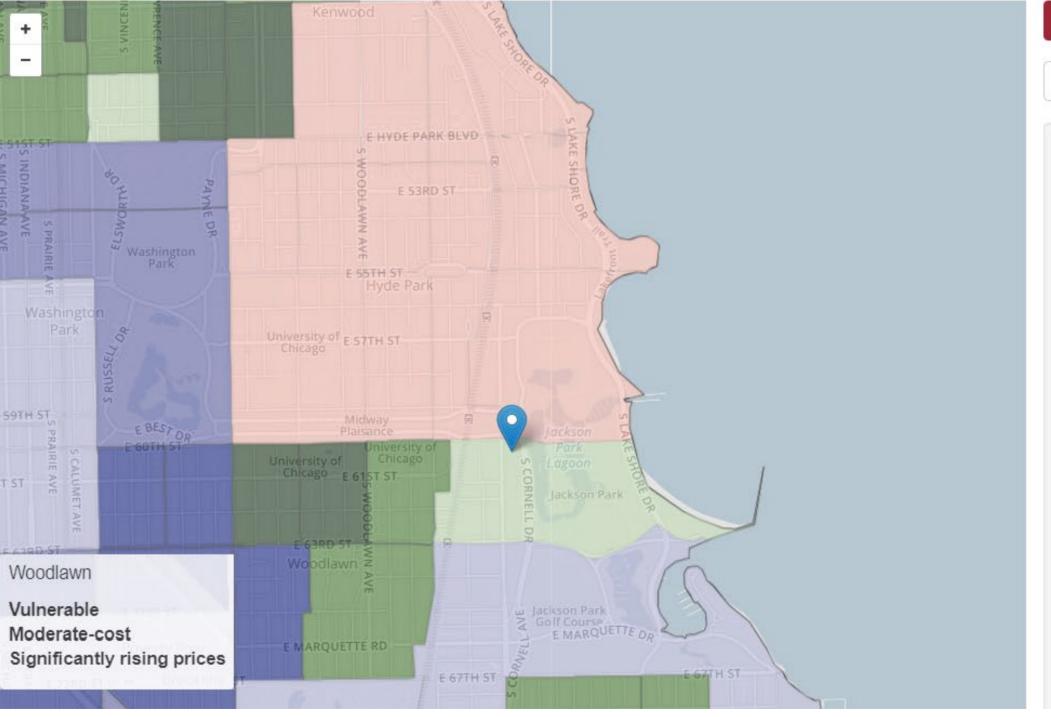
Case study – Intensifying Neighborhoods Surrounding El Paseo Trail

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MAPPING DISPLACEMENT PRESSURE IN CHICAGO

Where is displacement a concern in Chicago? View different levels of displacement and lost affordability pressures at the neighborhood level and learn about strategies to preserve housing affordability in areas with different levels of displacement risk. Read the full report »





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Applying Lessons from The 606 to Map Displacement Pressure in Chicago



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