Educational outcomes for children

Policy tools and guidance on LocalHousingSolutions.org can help local communities create high-quality, stable, and affordable homes that set the stage for educational achievement.

Housing and education

This brief reviews how investments in quality, affordable housing and neighborhood conditions can yield significant educational benefits for children. Read the brief.

Brief: Improving educational outcomes for children

Children’s academic achievement can be strongly affected by conditions at home and in the surrounding neighborhood. This brief introduces policies that support development and operation of high-quality, affordable housing that allows children to focus on their education and avoid unplanned moves that disrupt school attendance. The brief also describes ways to promote development of affordable housing in resource-rich neighborhoods that provide access to high-quality schools and enrichment activities. Read the brief.

Selected local housing policies

- Targeted efforts to create and preserve dedicated affordable housing in resource-rich areas
- Housing Choice Vouchers
- Mobility counseling for housing voucher holders
- Low-Income Housing Tax Credit
- Project-basing of Housing Choice Vouchers
- Inclusionary zoning
- “Just cause” eviction policies
- Eviction prevention programs
- Foreclosure prevention programs

Related content

- Resources on building public support for affordable housing
- Issue brief: Why housing matters
- Issue brief: Housing and Education
- Issue brief: Allocating resources to address housing needs among older adults and families with children
- Explore external resources for educational outcomes for children