

City of Mentor Analysis of Impediments Survey

Let your voice be heard!

Please take the time to assist the City of Mentor and its community! Without the input from residents, community organizations, and businesses we are unable to identify key issues within our community to combat discrimination and segregation within housing. By filling out this survey you're actively providing your community with a means to an end to the segregation and disparities within your community in which you work and live.

Do you know what a protected class is?

A protected class is a characteristic of a person who cannot be the target of discrimination. The protected classes within the state of Ohio are disability, race, ethnicity, sex (male or female), familial status, religion and military status.

1. Do you feel that there are high levels of segregation within City of Mentor?
 Yes
 No

If so, identify the racial/ethnic groups within our community that experience the highest levels of segregation?

2. Has segregation within our community changed over time (since 1990)?
 Yes
 No
3. Do you feel that any of the following factors contribute, create or maintain segregation? Check any that apply:
 Government policy, laws, ordinances
 Displacement of residents due to the economy
 Community opposition
 Lack of private investments in specific neighborhoods
 Discriminatory lending practices
 Location and type of affordable housing available
 Occupancy codes and restrictions
 Private discrimination
 Other: _____

If you checked other please explain:

4. Do you feel that there are any differences in access to proficient schools based on race/ethnicity, national origin, and family status?

5. Do you feel that school-related policies, such as enrollment, busing or pay to play affect a student's ability to attend a proficient school?

Yes

No

6. Is there a specific protected class that is the least successful at accessing proficient schools?

Yes

No

If you checked yes, please explain:

7. In the City of Mentor are there any differences in access to jobs and labor markets for individuals of a specific protected class? If so, check any protected class in which you feel this applied:

Race

Ethnicity

Religion

Familial Status

Disability

Sex- Male or Female

Military Status

If you checked any of the above, please explain:

8. Do you feel that a person's place of residence affects their ability to obtain a job?

Yes

No

9. What protected classes do you feel have the least success in accessing employment?

- Race
- Ethnicity
- Religion
- Familial Status
- Disability
- Sex- Male or Female
- Military Status

10. Do you feel that there are any differences in access to transportation? If so, in what factor is it applied?

- Place of Residence
- Cost
- Other: _____

11. Do you feel as though any of the following protected classes are prone or most affected by poverty within the City of Mentor?

- Race
- Ethnicity
- Religion
- Familial Status
- Disability
- Sex- Male or Female
- Military Status

12. Is there an adequate supply of affordable housing in Mentor for persons with disabilities?

- Yes
- No

Other:

13. Is there an adequate supply and easy access to supportive services for persons with disabilities living in Mentor?

- Yes
- No

Other:

14. Do individuals with disabilities face any of the following barriers within the City of Mentor? Check any and all that apply:

- Access to proficient schools for persons with disabilities
- Access to publicly supported housing for persons with disabilities
- Access to transportation for persons with disabilities
- Inaccessible government facilities or services
- Inaccessible sidewalks, pedestrian crossings, or other infrastructure
- Lack of affordable in-home or community based supportive services
- Lack of affordable, accessible housing in range of unit sizes
- Lack of affordable integrated housing for individuals who need supportive services
- Land use and zoning laws
- Lending discrimination
- Location of accessible housing
- Occupancy codes and restrictions
- Regulatory barriers to providing housing and supportive services for persons with disabilities
- State or local laws, policies, or practices that discourage individuals with disabilities from being placed in or living in apartments, family homes, and other integrated settings

If you checked yes to any of the factors stated above, please explain:

15. Is there limited access for families with children to find suitable housing?

- Yes
- No

16. Do you feel as though any of the following factors create, contribute, maintain or increase the severity of differences in access to opportunity within the City of Mentor?

Check any and all that apply:

- Access to financial services (banks, loans)
- The availability, type, frequency and reliability of public transportation
- Lack of private investments in specific neighborhoods
- Lack of public investments in specific neighborhoods, including services or amenities
- Lack of regional cooperation
- Land use and zoning laws
- Lending Discrimination

- Location of employers/employment
- Location of environmental health hazards
- Location of proficient schools and school assignment policies
- Location and type of affordable housing
- Occupancy codes and restrictions
- Private discrimination
- Other: _____

17. Check any of the factors in which you feel significantly contribute , perpetuate, or increase the severity of unequal housing:

- The availability of affordable units in range of sizes
- Displacement of residents due to economic pressures
- Lack of community revitalization strategies
- Lack of private investments in specific neighborhoods
- Lack of public investments in specific neighborhoods
- Lack of regional cooperation
- Land use and zoning laws
- Lending discrimination
- Other: _____

If you checked any of the above, please elaborate:

18. Do you feel that the City of Mentor has an adequate supply of affordable housing such as income based housing, such as project based housing, section 8, and low income tax credit housing properties?

- Yes
- No

If checked no, where is the need for additional income based housing?

19. Can you identify any local or regional fair housing agencies that provide fair housing information, outreach and enforcement within the City of Mentor?

Yes

No

If checked yes, please list agencies:

20. Do you feel as though there needs to be additional fair housing enforcement within the City of Mentor?

Yes

No

If checked yes, what enforcement is needed?

21. List any significant fair housing issues within City of Mentor in which you feel need to be addressed:

22. Any additional comments, concerns and suggestions are greatly appreciated: