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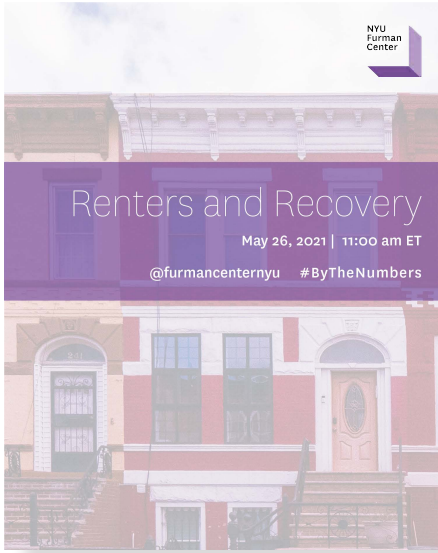
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Today we are proud to release our 20th annual report:



State of New York City's Housing and Neighborhoods in 2020

The State of New York City's Housing and Neighborhoods report, published annually by the NYU Furman Center, provides a compendium of data and analysis about New York City's housing, land use, demographics, and quality of life for each borough and the city's 59 community districts. The report combines timely and expert analysis by NYU Furman Center researchers with data transparency.

The 2020 edition includes the following sections:

Citywide Analysis

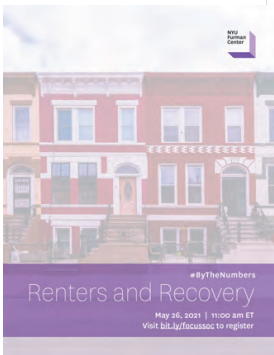
The Citywide Analysis section provides a broad, longitudinal analysis of New York City’s housing and neighborhoods. The chapter is divided into five parts: New Yorkers; land use and the built environment; homeowners and their homes; renters and their homes; and neighborhood services and conditions.

City, Borough, and Community District Data

This section provides current and historical statistics for housing, neighborhood, and socioeconomic indicators at the city, borough, and community district levels. All information throughout the report, plus expanded indicators and historical data, is available on [CoreData.nyc](https://coredata.nyc.gov/).

Indicators, Rankings, and Methods

The Indicators, Rankings, and Methods section includes definitions for each indicator in the report; community district indicator rankings; methods; and an index of New York City’s Community Districts and Sub-Borough Areas.



2020 Focus: Renters and Recovery

Each year, *the State of New York City’s Housing and Neighborhoods* report describes, contextualizes, and provides analysis on a pressing and policy-relevant issue affecting New York City. In 2020, the report focuses on the renters and New York City’s recovery in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The *State of New York City’s Housing and Neighborhoods in 2020* is available at [furmancenter.org](https://www.furmancenter.org) and data downloads are available on [CoreData.nyc](https://coredata.nyc.gov/).

MODERATOR & PANELIST BIOS



Jerusalem Demsas (Moderator)

Policy Reporter
Vox Media

Jerusalem Demsas is a policy reporter at Vox.com with a particular focus on housing and domestic economic policy issues. She has previously written on energy and environment policies for the Center for American Progress and is a graduate of the College of William and Mary where she received a degree in Economics & Government.



Jennifer Jones Austin

CEO and Executive Director
FPWA

Jennifer Jones Austin is the CEO and Executive Director of FPWA, an anti-poverty policy and advocacy nonprofit with 170 member organizations; its work is centered on economic opportunity and upward mobility. She is a radio host, an author, and public speaker, and sits on the board of many organizations including the National Action Network, the Fordham University Feerick Center for Social Justice, the Center for Law, Brain and Behavior at Harvard University, and the NYC Board of Correction for which she is Chair. At FPWA, Jennifer leads coalitions and advocates for monumental changes in policy and law to strengthen and empower disenfranchised and marginalized people. Prior to joining FPWA, she served as Senior Vice President of the United Way of New York City, Family Services Coordinator for Mayor Bloomberg, Deputy Commissioner for the NYC Administration for Children's Services, Civil Rights Deputy Bureau Chief for Attorney General Eliot Spitzer, and Vice President for LearnNow/Edison Schools.



Marisa Lago

Director and City Planning Commission Chair
New York City Department of City Planning

Marisa Lago, appointed by Mayor Bill de Blasio, began serving as Director of the New York City Department of City Planning and Chair of the City Planning Commission in March 2017. This is her third stint in New York City government, having worked previously under Mayors Dinkins and Koch.

Lago previously served in the Obama Administration as the U.S. Department of the Treasury's Assistant Secretary for International Markets and Development. In this capacity, she led the U.S. government's overseas development activities with the World Bank and its regional counterparts.

Lago earned a J.D. cum laude in 1982 from Harvard Law School, and a B.S. in physics from Cooper Union in 1977.



Gary Rodney

Managing Director
Tishman Speyer

Mr. Rodney joined Tishman Speyer in 2020 to launch the firm's affordable housing platform with an initial focus on the metropolitan New York region. In his role, Mr. Rodney looks for opportunities to buy, redevelop and build ground-up housing that is affordable for low, moderate and middle-income individuals and families.

Prior to joining Tishman Speyer, Mr. Rodney spent 4 years serving as the Chairman of CREA, LLC. Mr. Rodney was previously appointed by the Mayor of New York City to serve as the President of the New York City Housing Development Corporation.

Mr. Rodney is a current member of the boards of the NYU Furman Center for Real Estate and Urban Policy, the Community Preservation Corporation, and the New York Housing Conference. He holds his BA from the University of Rochester and his MS in Urban Planning from NYU's Robert F. Wagner Graduate School of Public Service.



Brenda Rosen
President and CEO
Breaking Ground

Brenda Rosen has devoted her career to the issue of homelessness, beginning as Assistant General Counsel at the New York City Department of Homeless Services. She joined Breaking Ground in 1999 as Director of the Prince George, where she helped to establish a model of sustainable supportive housing for New York City. In 2006, she advanced as Director of Property Management and Programs, overseeing more than 20 housing and program sites.

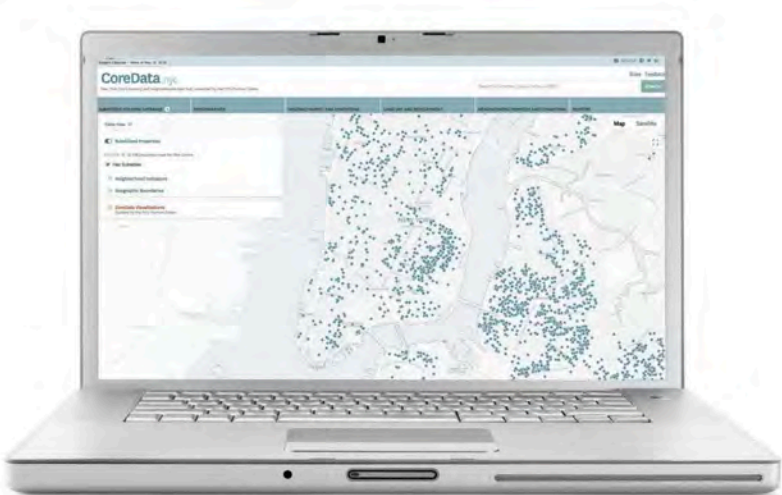
In the role of President and CEO since 2011, Brenda leads Breaking Ground in its mission to address homelessness in New York. Brenda is Board Chair of the Supportive Housing Network of New York, on the boards of Homeless Services United and The Thinkubator, and an advisory member of New York Housing Conference. She received her B.A. from Hunter College and holds a J.D. from the Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law.

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Explore Your Neighborhood

The State of New York City's Housing and Neighborhoods report is powered by the NYU Furman Center's CoreData.nyc platform. The publicly available, interactive data tool provides analysis of New York City's demographics, homeownership and rental markets, and land use. CoreData also includes the Subsidized Housing Database, a listing of over **12,000** properties that participate in city, state, or federal programs to provide affordable housing for New Yorkers. CoreData allows users to view neighborhood indicators at the citywide, borough, or neighborhood level. Selected indicators are available by Census tract. Users can also download and analyze tabular data spanning multiple years, with many data sets stretching back to **2000**. The NYU Furman Center encourages the exploration, use, analysis, and sharing of the information housed on CoreData.nyc to drive evidence-based conversations about housing and land use policy in New York City. For attribution details and logo requests, email furmancenter@nyu.edu. CoreData is made possible through funding provided by the New York City Council.





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Established in 1995, it is a joint center of the New York University School of Law and the Robert F. Wagner Graduate School of Public Service. Its mission is to:

- **Provide objective academic and empirical research** on legal and public policy issues involving land use, real estate, housing, and urban affairs in the United States;
- **Promote frank and productive discussions** among elected and appointed officials, leaders of the real estate industry, leaders of non-profit housing and community development organizations, scholars, and students about critical issues in land use, real estate, and urban policy;
- **Present essential data and analysis** about the state of New York City's housing and neighborhoods to those involved in land use, real estate development, community economic development, housing, urban economics, and urban policy; and
- **Train the next generation of urban policy leaders**—including researchers, analysts, and practitioners—by fostering an enriching environment where students meaningfully contribute to the Center's work.

The Center's Faculty Directors are **Ingrid Gould Ellen**, Paulette Goddard Professor of Urban Policy and Planning at NYU's Robert F. Wagner Graduate School of Public Service; and **Katherine O'Regan**, Professor of Public Policy and Planning at NYU's Robert F. Wagner Graduate School of Public Service. **Matthew Murphy** is the Center's Executive Director. Our staff regularly collaborates with faculty and researchers from the School of Law, the Robert F. Wagner Graduate School of Public Service, the Faculty of Arts and Sciences, and many other research organizations at NYU and beyond.

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