



# A REVIEW OF EQUITY INITIATIVES IN ALLEGHENY COUNTY, PA




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Of U.S. metropolitan areas with a population of more than 1 million, Pittsburgh continues to have the Whitest metro area.

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Pittsburgh's Racial Demographics 2015: Differences and Disparities



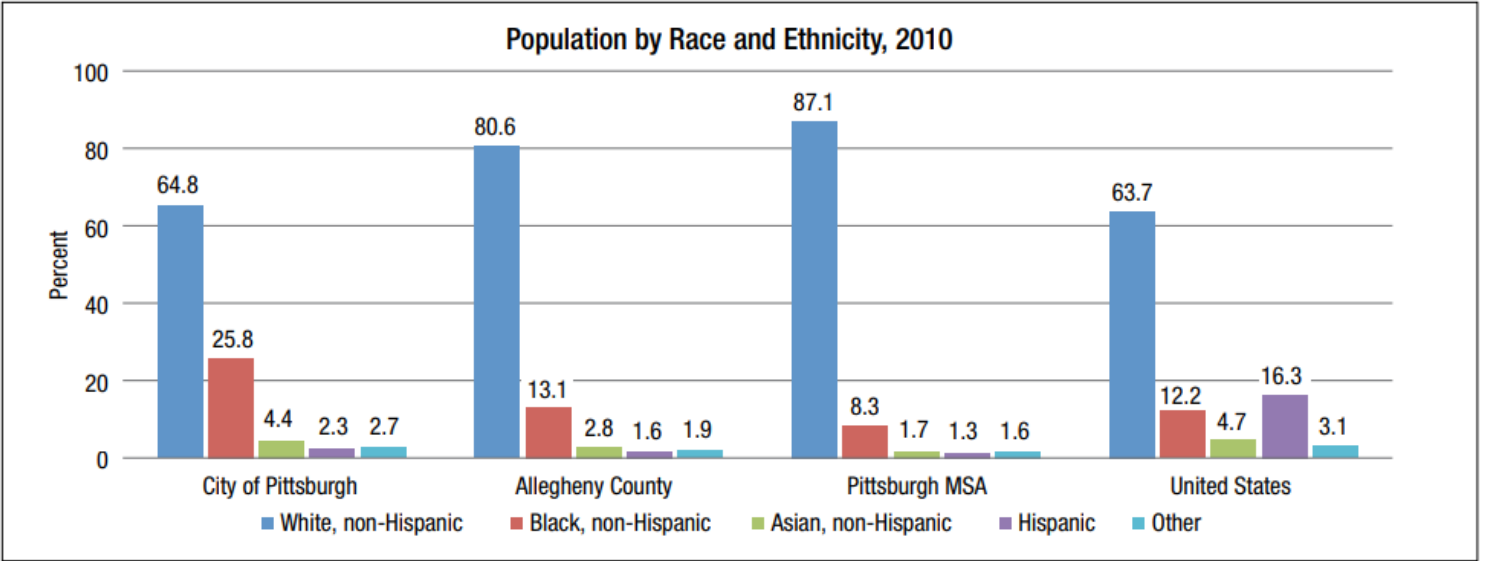
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Population by Race and Ethnicity, 2010

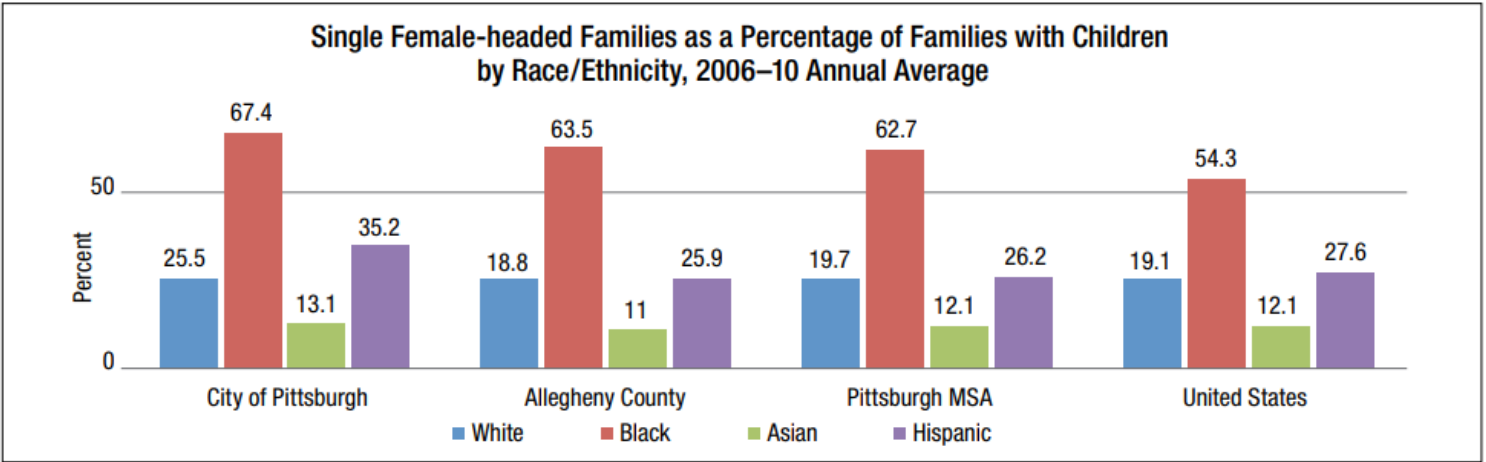


Area	White, non-Hispanic	Black, non-Hispanic	Asian, non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Other
City of Pittsburgh	64.8	25.8	4.4	2.3	2.7
Allegheny County	80.6	13.1	2.8	1.6	1.9
Pittsburgh MSA	87.1	8.3	1.7	1.3	1.6
United States	63.7	12.2	4.7	16.3	3.1

Source: Appendix 1.1


The percentage of Black two-parent families with children is lower in the Pittsburgh area than in the nation, and the percentage of Black single female-headed families is higher here than in the nation.

Single Female-headed Families as a Percentage of Families with Children by Race/Ethnicity, 2006–10 Annual Average



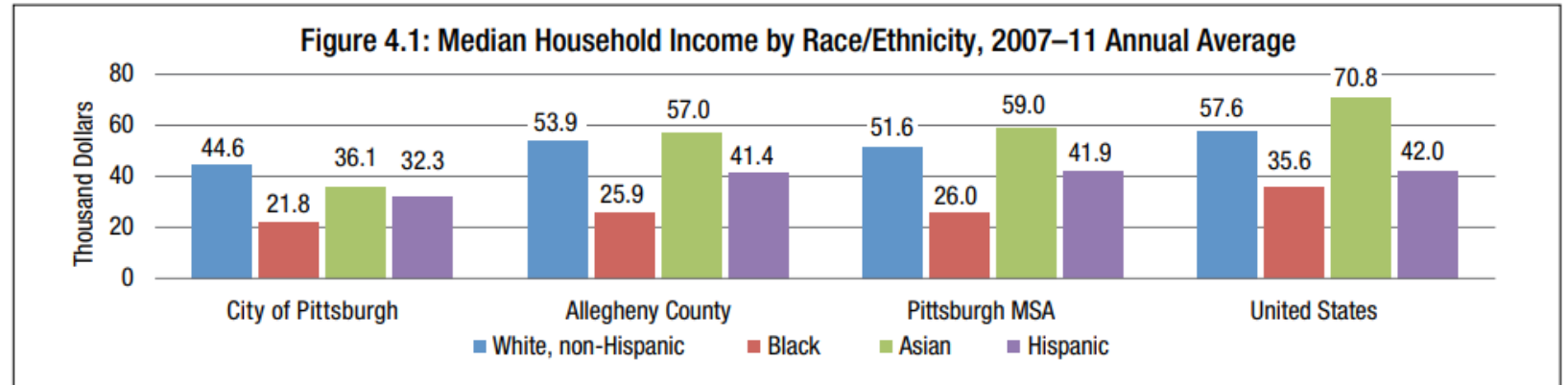
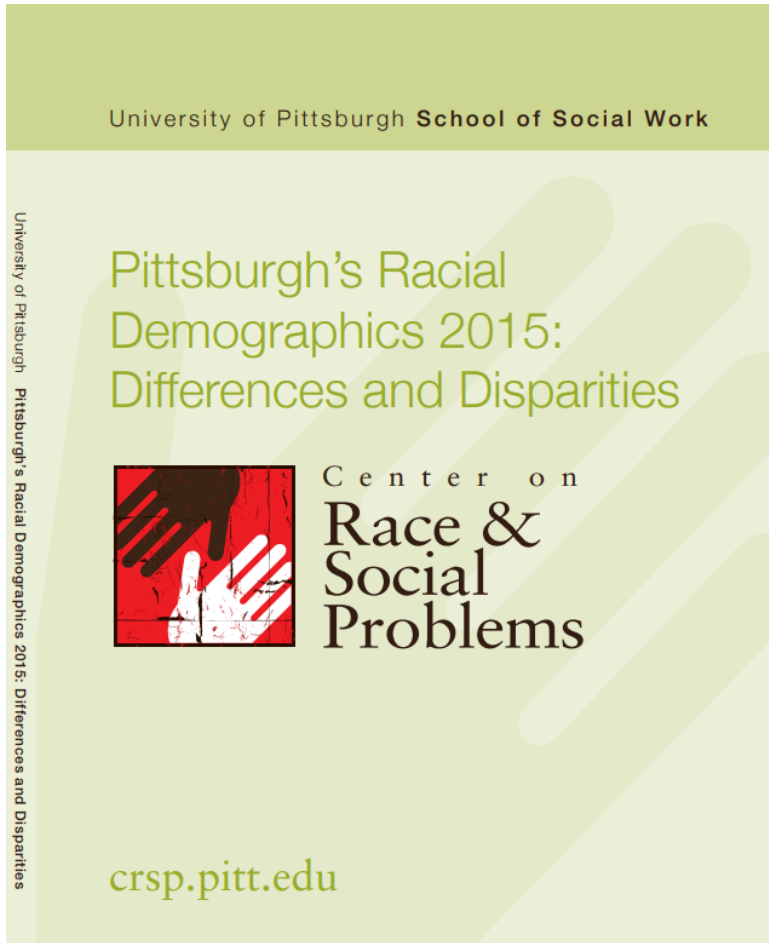
Area	White	Black	Asian	Hispanic
City of Pittsburgh	25.5	67.4	13.1	35.2
Allegheny County	18.8	63.5	11	25.9
Pittsburgh MSA	19.7	62.7	12.1	26.2
United States	19.1	54.3	12.1	27.6

Source: Appendix 2.3

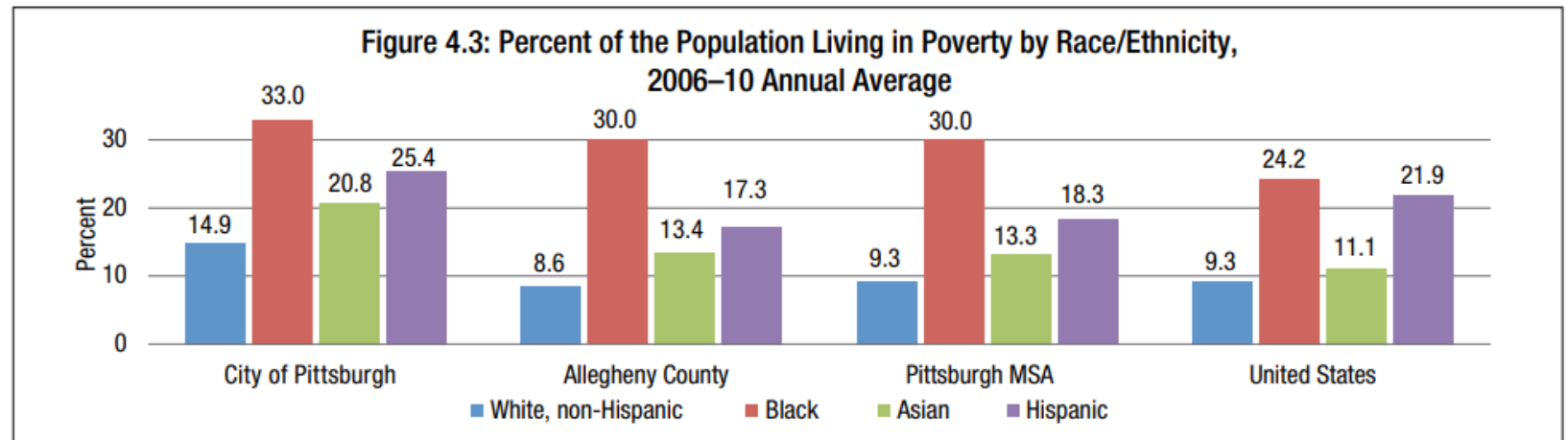


**One-third of Blacks, one-quarter of Hispanics, one-fifth of Asians, and 15% of Whites live in poverty in the city of Pittsburgh.**

**Blacks made up the lowest household income in all four geographic areas.**

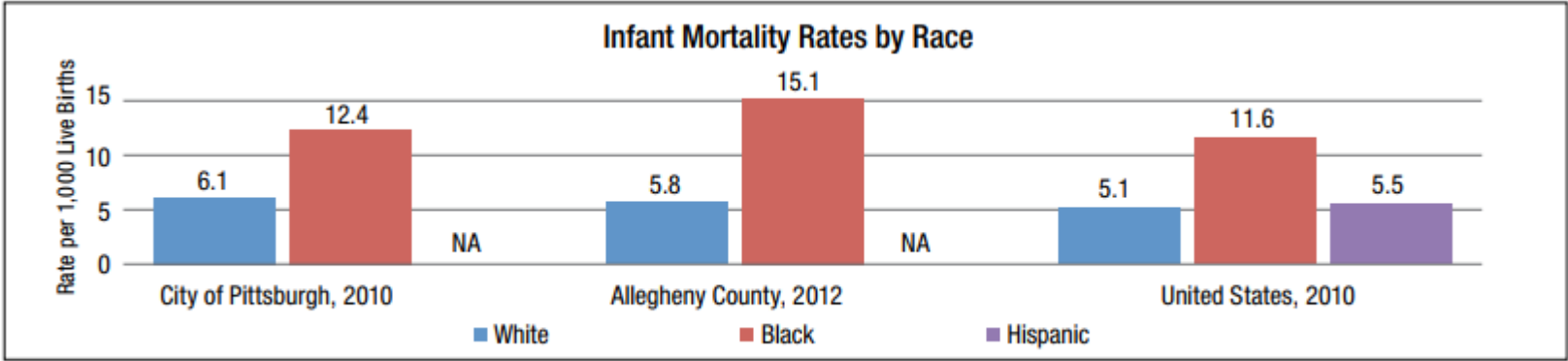
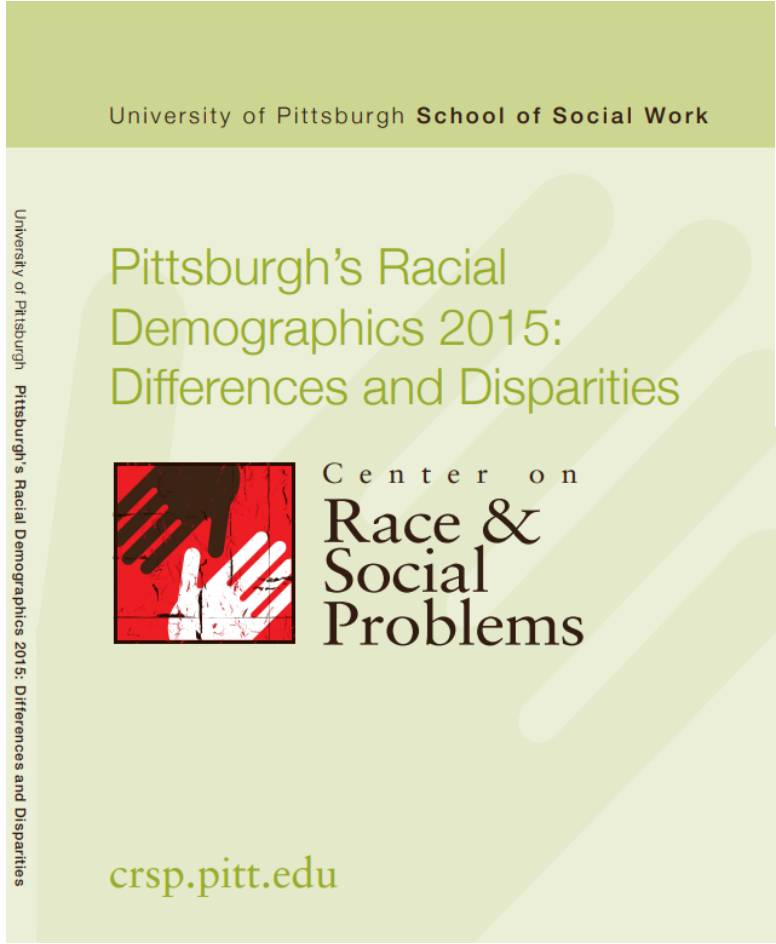


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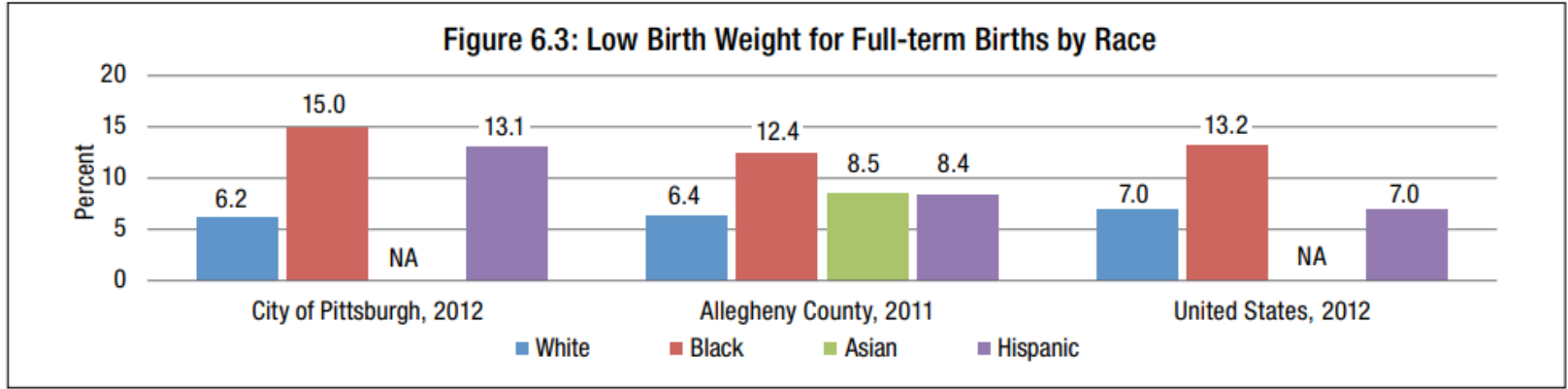


Source: Appendix 4.3

**Black infant mortality and low birth-weight rates are much higher than White rates in the Pittsburgh area and the nation.**



Source: Appendix 6.2



Source: Appendix 6.3

NA = Not Available

**Black and Hispanic adults have higher diabetes rates than Whites and Asians in the nation.**

**Blacks in the Pittsburgh area and the nation have much higher HIV infection rates than the other racial groups.**

**Death rates from cardiovascular disease, cancer, and diabetes are much higher for Blacks than other racial groups in the Pittsburgh area and the nation.**

**Non-Blacks report their health to be very good or excellent at much higher rates than Blacks in the Pittsburgh area.**

**A much higher share of Blacks than non-Blacks lacks health insurance in the Pittsburgh area.**

**Blacks have substantially higher rates of emotional health problems and mental distress than Whites in Allegheny County. Significantly more Whites than Blacks use the mental health and drug abuse services provided by the Allegheny County Department of Human Services.**

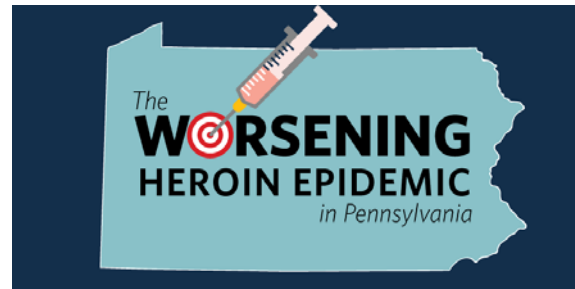
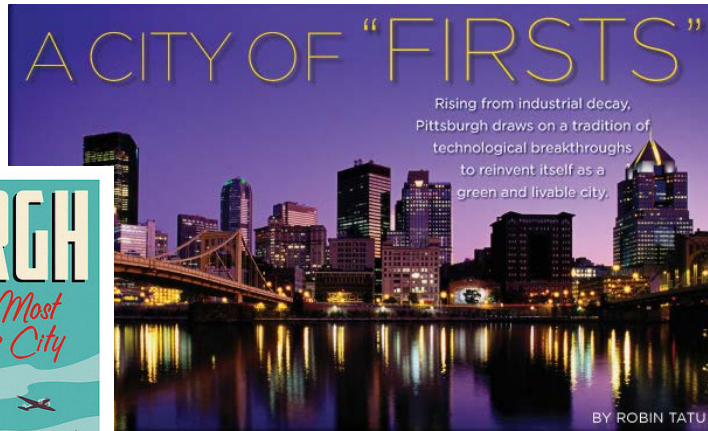


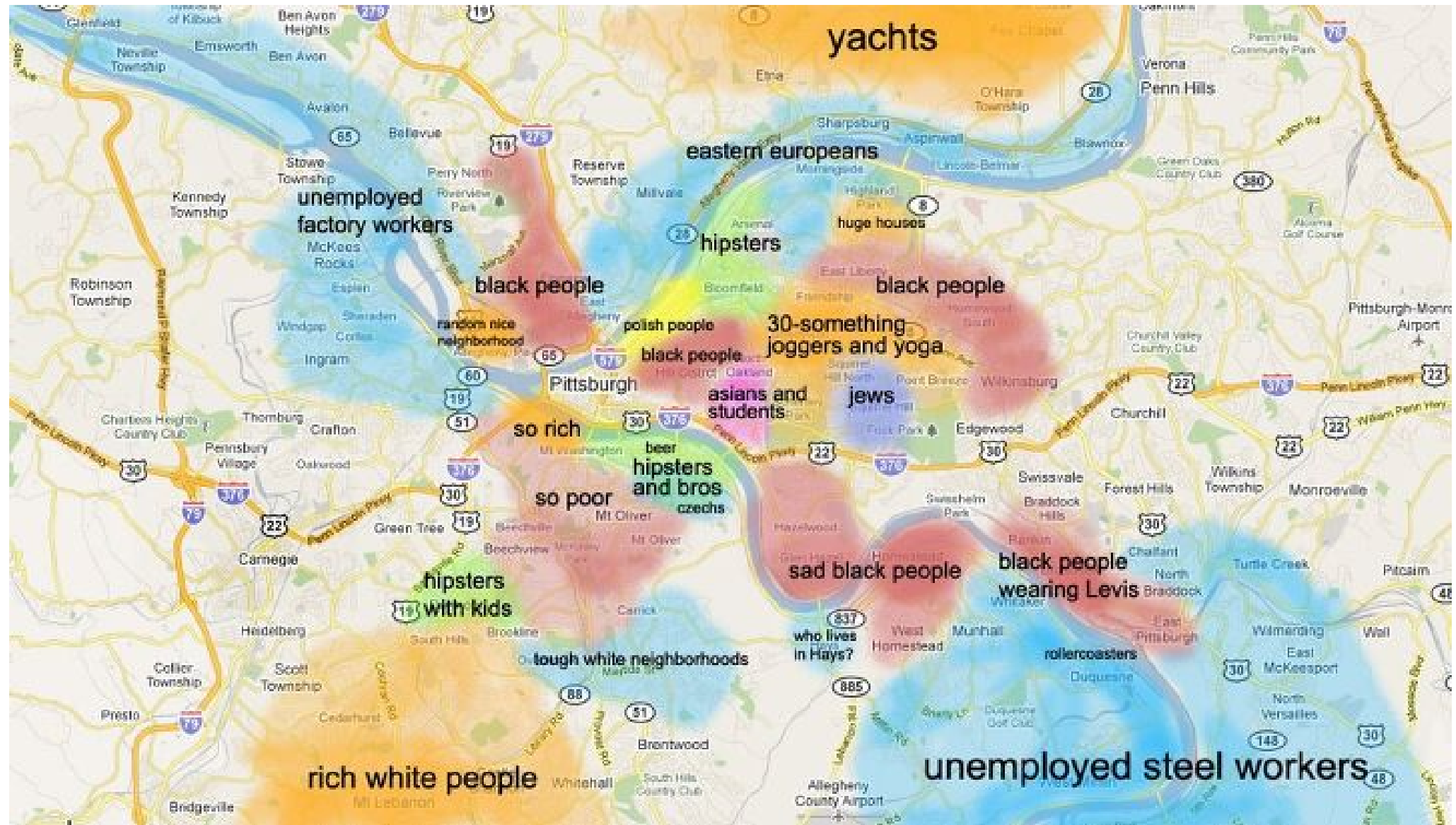


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# THREE LOCAL HEALTH EQUITY PROJECTS



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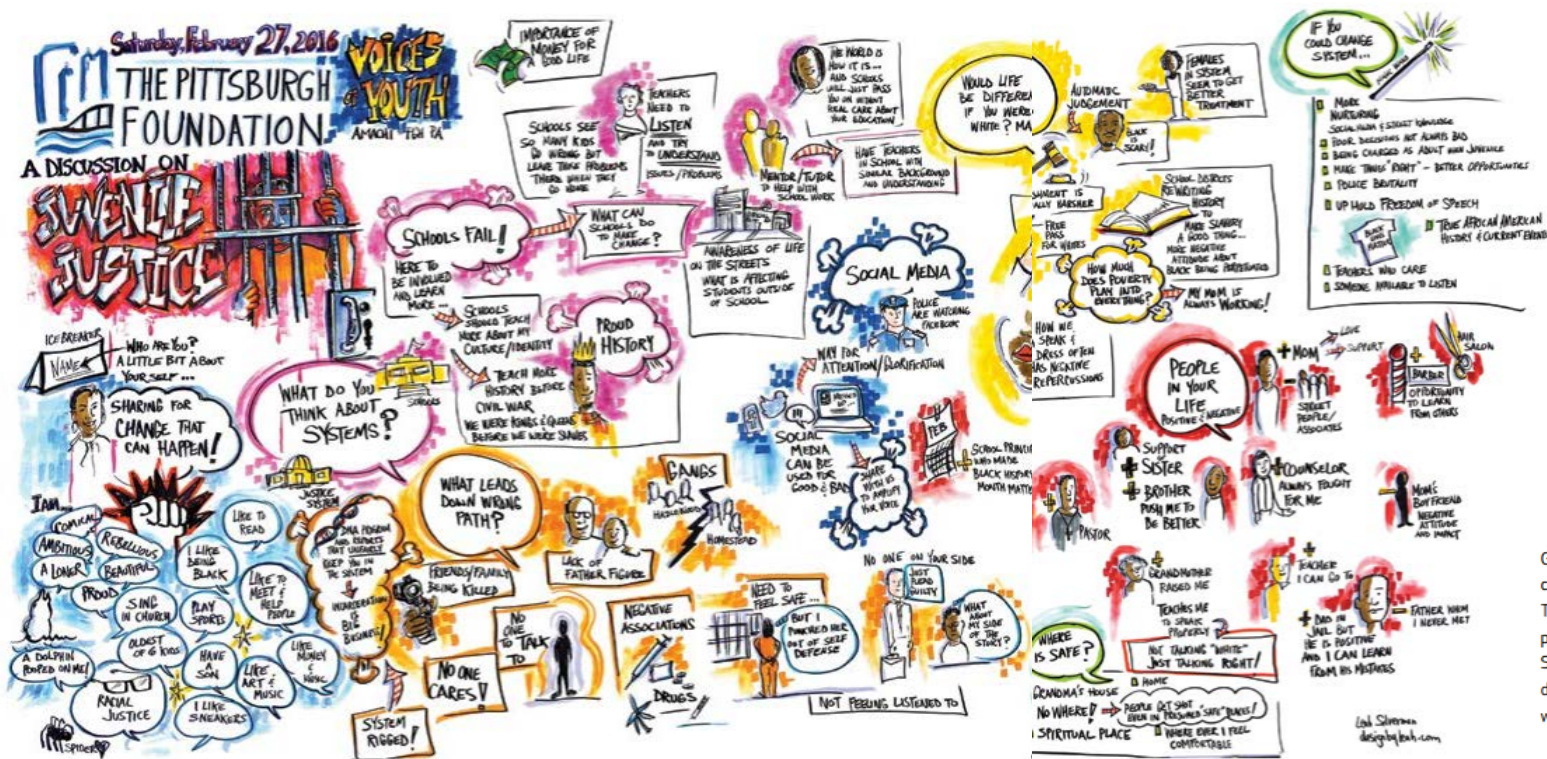
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“Examining cycles of generational poverty and lack of opportunity... We’ve already begun by focusing on single women raising children and youth ages 12 to 24—two groups largely left behind in our region’s resurgence—and will broaden our focus in the coming years.”

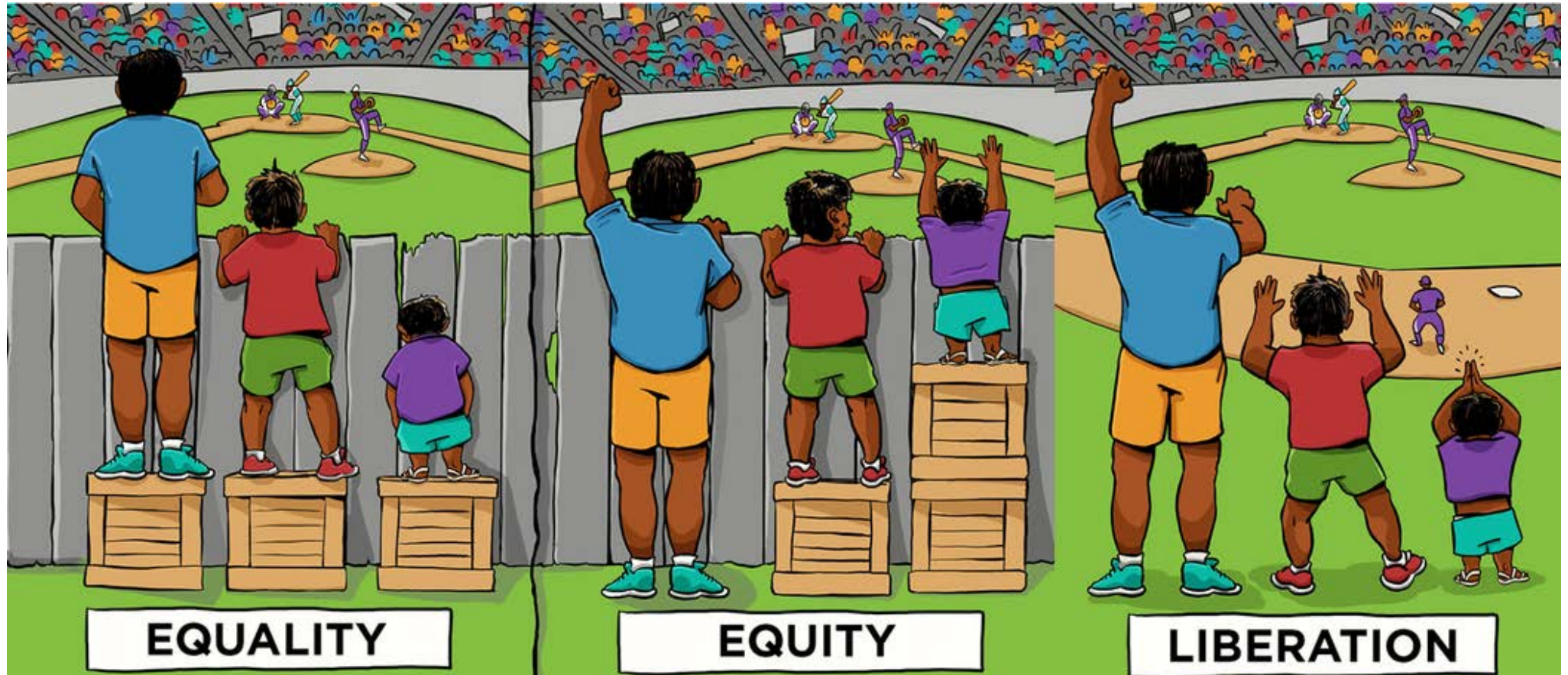


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“Addressing the issue of equity through training, involving community members in decision making, hiring community residents as partners, shifting the narrative around race and health, and providing opportunities for single mothers to earn, learn, and give back to their community. “





# Pittsburgh Public Schools *Teen Parenting Program Partnership*



- ✓ Assessing school culture
- ✓ Training program staff
- ✓ Providing parenting supports
- ✓ Resource coordination
- ✓ Addressing maternal depression
- ✓ Fatherhood support
- ✓ Promoting breastfeeding
- ✓ Addressing intergenerational conflict



BLACK  
BREASTFEEDING  
WEEK  
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*There is no substitute for mother's milk.*



# QUESTIONS?

