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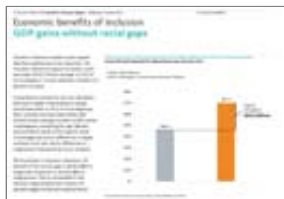
Cleveland: How the Evergreen Cooperatives Build Community Wealth



The [Democracy Collaborative](#), including the City of Cleveland and various anchor institutions and partners, are implementing a new model of large-scale worker-owned and community-benefiting businesses.

Learn more about the [Evergreen Cooperative Initiative](#) and check out the Democracy Collaborative's [short video](#).

GDP Gains Without Racial Gaps in Houston-Galveston Region



Houston-Galveston stands to gain a great deal from addressing racial inequities, according to a new equity profile by [PolicyLink](#) and [USC Program for Environmental and Regional Equity \(PERE\)](#).

The region's economy could have been \$243.3 billion stronger in 2012 if its racial gaps in income had been closed: a 54 percent increase. Using data on income by race, PolicyLink and PERE calculated how much higher total economic output would have been in 2012 if all racial groups that currently earn less than whites had earned similar average incomes as their white counterparts, controlling for age.

Click [here](#) to view the [equity profile](#), [summary](#), and [addendum](#) with the GDP analysis.

REGISTER: 10th Annual "I'm Home" Conference



November 18, 2014
Seattle, WA

[I'M HOME](#) (Innovations in Manufactured Homes) is a 10-year-old national initiative of CFED designed to unlock the potential of high quality manufactured housing as a key source of affordable housing and asset-building for low- and moderate-income families. The 10th annual [conference](#) will bring together audiences interested in applying manufactured housing solutions to affordable housing challenges to network, learn, and share best practices with one another.

To register or for event details, [click here](#).

VIDEO: Changing the Financial Security Conversation In Mississippi



Check out the [new video](#) from Prosperous Mississippi that features what the coalition is doing to help low-to-moderate income Mississippians identify economic challenges and build financial security.

The [video](#) highlights the coalition's program areas, which includes: financial literacy, housing, predatory lending, and business development; and takes a deeper look at how the coalition strives to empower Mississippians to build wealth through asset development and policy change. The short video also includes interviews with Mississippi experts and activists working to advance financial security for residents and features powerful stories from residents.

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