

# THE GAME OF RENT



**The Game of Rent** is a teaching tool disguised as a board game, designed to help communities have more productive conversations about affordable housing. Using local data and the luck of the draw, **The Game of Rent** breaks down the stereotypes, numbers, and acronyms, and refocus on the humanity of housing.

## CAN YOU AFFORD TO LIVE HERE?

In **The Game of Rent**, players are given a new identity - a new job, new family, and new life circumstances. Based on that situation, each player is challenged to find an apartment they can afford - and access - as quickly as possible. Local data, including average salaries and actual rental rates, ground discussions in reality.



## BUILD AWARENESS OF THE ISSUE

**The Game of Rent** is a valuable tool for:

- Affordable Housing Advocates
- Educators and Students
- Elected Officials and Policymakers
- Neighborhood Associations
- Bankers and Lenders
- Developers



Each Game plays with 2 to 8 people. Have a larger audience? Use multiple Games to play with groups of 6-8.



The Game is designed for ages 12 and up, but younger participants may team up with an adult to play as a team.



Depending on your audience, the Game may take 30-45 minutes, but you'll want to leave time for debrief & discussion.

## GO BEYOND AFFORDABILITY

In addition to affordability, **The Game of Rent** highlights access barriers, including:

- Childcare Costs
- Student Loan Debt
- Criminal History
- Eviction History
- Pay Discrimination
- Transportation Challenges

*"Our institute participants really enjoyed it and it's such a fantastic way to learn about fair housing issues and concepts like FMR. It actually sparked some conversations among participants about their own challenges finding housing."*

— Evaluation and Assessment Director,  
TN Department of Health

## MOVE TOWARDS COMPASSION

The Game of Rent is also an exercise in building empathy for people in our communities who face these challenges on a daily basis. By helping participants walk in someone else's shoes, you can move from conflict towards compassion and a desire to find common ground and creative solutions.

*"The Game of Rent is by far one of the most riveting educational games out there. I would recommend it to anyone but especially those working in the housing field; it is a great brain stimulator and conversation igniter!"*

— Community Liaison,  
Metro Homeless Impact Division

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