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# Do Oakland's Homes Help or Harm?

**Blight, mold, lead paint, cockroach infestations and heating failure.**

All these conditions sound unpleasant and undesirable and we all understand that these are not conditions we would like anyone to live in. What you may not know quite so well is that these household conditions have a profound impact on the health of those who do suffer from these experiences.

We know intuitively and empirically that where you live has a profound impact on your well-being. At many different scales, geography and place leave an imprint on your physical and mental health—whether it is the policies of your home country or state, the quality of air surrounding your neighborhood, the perceived safety of the block around your home, or the structural integrity of your own residence. In this new report, our research necessarily spans these scales, but the real targets of our analysis are those metrics that lay at the intersection between housing units in Oakland and the health of their inhabitants.

Oakland_CodeComplaints_OccBlight

Findings in this new report show that in some neighborhoods as many as six out of ten households may have had code enforcement complaints in the past ten years and these concentrations occur in poorer neighborhoods such as Longfellow, Hoover/Foster, Fruitvale, San Antonio and lower Maxwell Park. Over this period there were 32,500 occupied blight complaints received by the City, with over 623 cases involving

issues of mold—a condition that can lead to severe health impacts, especially for youth.

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