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Community Land Trusts Viewed From the United States Perspective Gaining Global Lessons

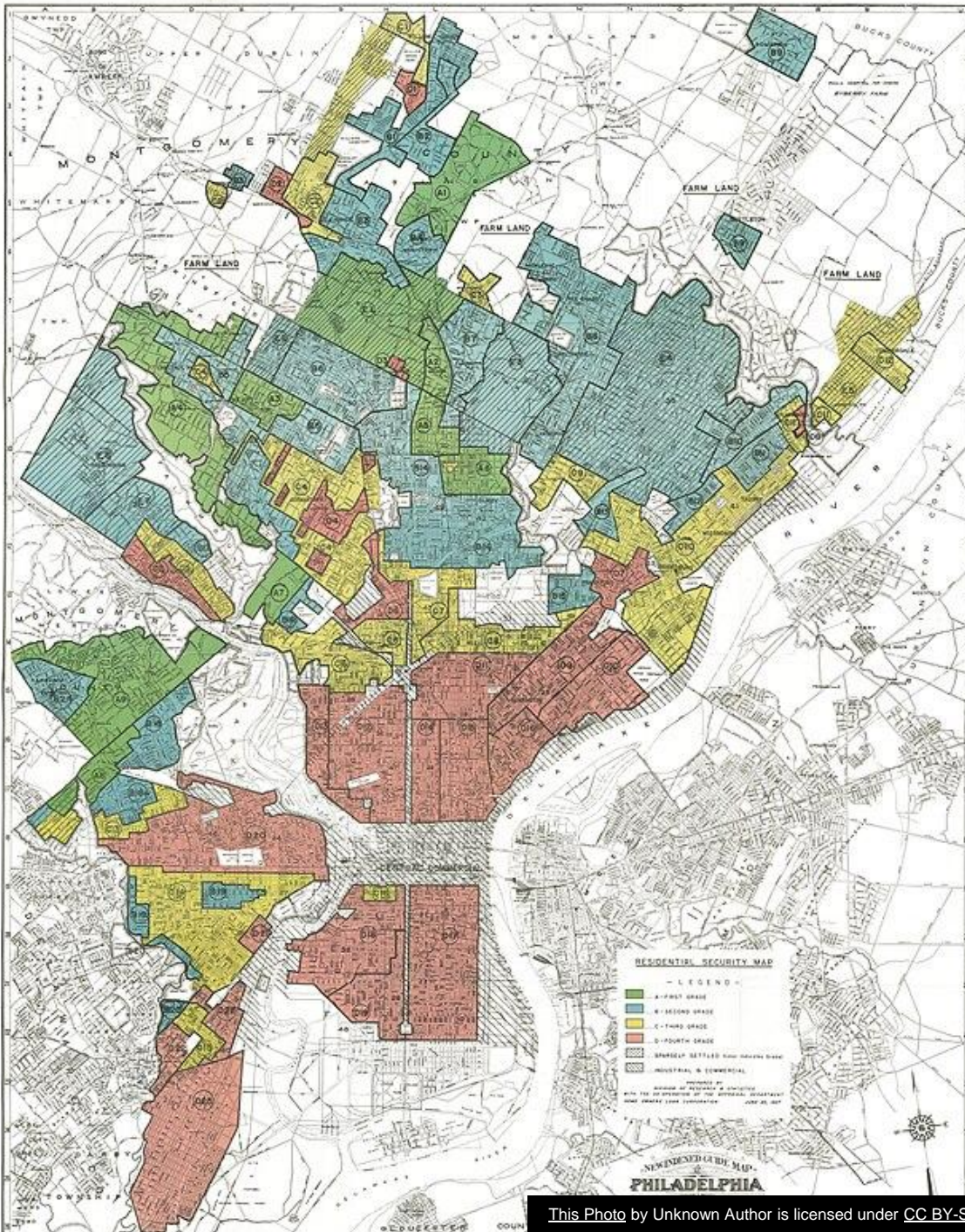


ABSTRACT/THESIS

- ❖ The sought out American Dream
 - ❖ Systematic discrimination stopping the BIPOC community
 - ❖ Gentrification
- ❖ CLTs in response of Gentrification nationally and globally
- ❖ This Paper demonstrates:
 - ❖ Opportunities CLTs create
 - ❖ Lessons from the United States and global experiences of CLTs



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Gentrification

- ❖ What is Gentrification?
 - ❖ Brings in the rich out with the poor
 - ❖ Seen in BIPOC neighborhoods
 - ❖ Related with less supply and more demand
- ❖ History:
 - ❖ “shift from agricultural to an industrial economy” (Contini, 1972)
 - ❖ Redlining and urban renewal
- ❖ Effects:
 - ❖ Rising Property values and Displacement
 - ❖ Cultural and Social Disruptions

Community Land Trusts (CLT)



Model:

Combats or slows down
gentrification

Non-profit organization
holds land

Separation of land
ownership and home
ownership



History:

1960s by Charles Sherrod



Effects:

Long-term ownership
Permanent affordability
Stabilizes the Economy

Global Comparison: Sao Paulo, Brazil

- ❖ State of the area;
 - ❖ Rapid urbanization cause by real estate development
 - ❖ Gentrification only focusing on high-end residents
 - ❖ Displacement
- ❖ CLTs
 - ❖ Land for community-controlled housing
 - ❖ Movimento dos Trabalhadores Sem Teto: grassroots organization
 - ❖ Hindered by legal and economic barriers

Global Comparison: London, United Kingdom

- ❖ State of the area:
 - ❖ Housing crisis
 - ❖ Domestic and international investments
- ❖ CLT
 - ❖ Removes from a speculative market
 - ❖ Mixed-use development

Lessons and Policy Recommendations

Sao Paulo Success:

Strong grassroots mobilization and government support

Legal framework to formalize informal settlements

London Success:

Greater London Authority facilitated the growth of CLTs

Public awareness and political support