



## CLiME NEWSLETTER

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CLiME is gearing up for another eventful and productive school year 2019-20. Here's a brief update on the issues of structural inequality behind our work, and what's coming up this fall.

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### 1. "BEHIND GENTRIFICATION" - AN ESSAY BY CLiME DIRECTOR DAVID DANTE TROUTT

What's the feeling behind the structures that promote gentrification? This essay explores the background and personal impact of gentrification dynamics in New York, Washington, D.C. and Los Angeles to show how place-based inequality affects personhood.

Read the essay in its entirety [here](#).

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### 2. UNIVERSAL BASIC INCOME (UBI) - A MEMO ON PRELIMINARY RESEARCH

What is Universal Basic Income and how can I read more about it?

As UBI is featured in more discussions of mobility policies and progressive federalism, CLiME provides an overview.

Read the memorandum by CLiME Fellow Akua Dawes [here](#).

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### 3. MEET OUR SENIOR RESEARCH FELLOW, MERIL ANTONY



We are pleased to announce the hiring of Doctoral Student and CLiME Senior Research Fellow, Meril Antony. Meril is currently working on updating the Displacement Risk Indicators Matrix (DRIM) using census-based research. She is also assisting Professor David Troutt, as part of the Equitable Growth Advisory Commission, in conducting literature reviews in analyzing the returns on public investment of redevelopment subsidies and incentives and measuring displacement.

Born in India, she received her Bachelors in economics

from University of Delhi and Masters from Jawaharlal Nehru University, India.

Read her bio on our site [here](#).

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#### 4. MID-SUMMER LAUNCH OF NEWARK'S EQUITABLE GROWTH ADVISORY COMMISSION

In an effort to protect Newark residents from being priced out of existing housing as the city enjoys a surge in development, the City of Newark announced the creation of an Equitable Growth Advisory Commission at the end of 2018, an idea first formally introduced by Rutgers Law School Professor and CLiME Director David Troutt, **who was approved by the council to serve on the Commission on July 9.**



The Commission is charged with listening to residents' concerns about economic inclusion and giving advice to the city on planning and land use laws, housing policies and business development. Members will serve two-year terms, and the Commission will officially launch mid-summer.

Watch the announcement of the Equitable Growth Advisory Commission [here](#).

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#### 4. NEWARK'S "RIGHT TO COUNSEL" ORDINANCE

Indigent residents of Newark facing eviction can soon get free legal help through the city's right-to-counsel ordinance, which was recommended in 2017 and spelled out in a memorandum by the Rutgers Center for Law, Inequality and Metropolitan Equity (CLiME).

The City of Newark adopted the right-to-counsel ordinance, based in part on CLiME's recommendation, in December 2018 and began implementing it this spring.

Read the memorandum [here](#).

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#### 5. DAVID TROUTT FEATURED ON "NEWARK: THE NEXT 50" PANEL AT NJPAC

Rutgers Law Professor David Troutt, and founder of CLiME urged the city to take a protective role before vulnerable people are forced to move from their neighborhoods in a panel



discussion at NJPAC last fall called *Newark: The Next 50, A Conversation on Our City's Future*.

He talked about guarding Newark residents from displacement as housing costs increase in the city, as development increases, and as wealthier residents move in. Other panelists included Newark Mayor Ras Baraka and former U.S.

Attorney Paul Fishman

Watch the entire program [here](#).

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## 6. COMING THIS FALL...

Look out for upcoming announcements in our Fall 2019 Newsletter on:

- ◎ The student scholarly contribution award winners of the annual **Race, Class and Metropolitan Equity class research papers**, and the publication of the winning papers.
  - ◎ The **CLiME Fall Fellowship** and new **Senior Research Fellow hiring**.
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