



# Ten Plagues of Housing Injustice

We invite you to dip your finger in wine, or your preferred beverage, while reciting these modern plagues. We place a drop on our plates for each one to acknowledge that the joy of liberation cannot be completed while many continue to be oppressed.

**Unclean Water-** Lack of access to clean water among individuals experiencing homelessness increases their exposure to disease.

**Unsafe Living Conditions-** Limited affordable housing and the struggle for fair housing rights lead to widespread housing insecurity.

**Spread of COVID-19-** Those living in under-resourced shelters face difficulty social distancing in order to reduce the spread of COVID-19.

**Domestic Violence-** Victims of domestic violence have to leave unsafe situations swiftly, resulting in housing insecurity. More than 90% of unhoused mothers report sexual assault over their lifetimes.

**Food Insecurity-** Individuals often become food insecure ahead of becoming unhoused, as many must make decisions between paying housing-related costs or groceries.

**Health & Sanitation Costs-** Cost barriers make vital wellness necessities, from medication to menstrual products, inaccessible to unhoused people.

**Natural Disasters-** Climate change continues to threaten the safety of many regions and disproportionately impacts communities of color and working class communities.

**Economic Disparities-** Those struggling financially often lack access to stable housing, which decreases opportunities for stable employment.

**Homophobia-** LGBTQ+ unhoused youth represent 40% of the unhoused youth population, and as many as 60% are likely to attempt suicide.

**Shortened Life Expectancy-** Due to often traumatizing experiences, life expectancy for people experiencing homelessness is almost 20 years lower than that of housed populations.

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