

Editors' Note

Upon first glance, the works published in this volume of *Policy Perspectives* may appear to have little in common. These articles, book reviews, and interviews cover a diverse range of topics, including the Social Security system, nuclear weapons, and food truck regulations. Some of these pieces offer quantitative analyses, while others take a qualitative approach. Some examine subjects that are close to home, such as affordable housing in Washington, DC, while others address issues that other communities face, such as employment outcomes among Ecuadorian women.

However, these works share an interest in addressing matters of public concern effectively and efficiently. In so doing, they call on decision-makers to think critically about the public policies that affect our lives. The scholarship presented in Volume 22 is also representative of the wide range of issues that Trachtenberg School faculty, students, and alumni care about and focus on in their research and careers.

Volume 22 of *Policy Perspectives* is a testament to the intellectual diversity found at the Trachtenberg School, and it could not have been brought to fruition without the hard work and dedication of the editorial staff. Our Associate Editors—Rebecca Duberstein, Amanda Fioritto, Wendy Noelle Forbes, Monika Jansen, Marisa B. Kanof, Andrew Pike, and Meghan J. Wolfe—conducted multiple in-depth reviews of the articles featured in this volume of *Policy Perspectives*. Odiá B. Cissé, Julian Hoffman, Andrew Kim, and Mathew Vicknair—our Senior Associate Editors—polished Volume 22's book reviews and provided excellent support in the final stages of the editorial process. The efforts of the editorial staff consistently exceeded our expectations, and we could not have produced this journal without their assistance.

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