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STRUCTURAL RACISM

Housing Segregation Which Created Concentrated Poverty
Which results in...
- Food deserts
- Transit deserts
- Low tax base for schools, parks, and other public entities
- Higher exposure to predatory lenders
- Environmental racism since families are exposed to...
  - Environmental toxins
  - Lead paint in housing units and drinking water
- Higher exposure to fast food advertising

The Racial Wealth Divide
Which results in...
- Less assets to fight poverty
- Being 18x less wealthy than white counterparts living near the poverty line
- Loss assets for future opportunities, including retirement and education
- Higher probability of falling into deep poverty

Employment Discrimination
Which results in...
- Job segregation
- Wage divides
- Disproportionately working in the 10 lowest paying occupations which have...
  - Low pay
  - Loss benefits
  - Inflexible scheduling
- Higher unemployment rates
- Lower promotion rates

Over-Policing
Which results in...
- Being 10x as likely to be incarcerated as whites in some states
- Parents losing jobs from incarceration
- Families going into debt from...
  - Low pay
  - Loss benefits
  - Inflexible scheduling
  - Loss of income while incarcerated
- Loss of life, in the case of police killings

Discrimination in Healthcare
Which results in...
- Racially biased medical care
- Higher probability of going to underfunded healthcare facilities

THESE BARRIERS MAINTAIN HIGHER FOOD INSECURITY LEVELS AMONG COMMUNITIES OF COLOR

Source: Applying Racial Equity to U.S. Federal Nutrition Assistance Programs, Page 11