

TEACHING NOTES

What is the organization's theory of the problem? Does the focus on neighborhood and concentration make sense?

What outcomes are they emphasizing? A few specific ones or a long list?

Develop a timeline of the agency's history? How did their model change over time? What led to these changes?

Assess their evaluation strategy (use slides)

Break into small groups and spend ten minutes discussing an evaluation strategy. Present and discuss these.

Discuss issues of what you are measuring. The pros and cons of a long list of outcomes. The role of regressions and of differences in differences methodology. The possibility of developing comparisons with comparable neighborhoods.