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Our March focus: Join us on March 27, 2023, for an in-person event focused on private capital investment in multifamily rentals. [Learn more.](#)



**HOUSEHOLD FINANCIAL WELL-BEING: A recently released New York Fed [case study](#) on private investment vehicles funding affordable apartments found most respondents anticipate raising more equity in the next 24 months than they did in a roughly five-year period ending in August 2022.**

The case study, built on responses from 15 private investment vehicle managers, found most respondents plan to more than quintuple their investment in new construction projects in the next 12 to 24 months. Additionally, respondents with majority bank investors reported financing housing for lower-income households than those with majority nonbank investors. Managers surveyed have a median 5,619 affordable units in their portfolios, most of which have tenant-income restrictions.



**Ideas:** Receiving monthly Child Tax Credit payments in 2021 cut child poverty by 30% in New York City, keeping 120,000 New York City children from falling into poverty, according to annual [The State of Poverty and Disadvantage in New York City](#), released last month. The analysis also found no evidence the payments reduced parental labor force participation.



**CLIMATE: The nation's real estate market hasn't priced in increased flood risk, a recently released paper in [Nature Climate Change](#) found.**

Federal flood maps that don't reflect current risks, government insurance policies that subsidize development in flood-prone areas, and buyers who ignore increased flooding dangers all contribute to the prospect of a future real estate bubble, the [Washington Post](#) reported.



**Ideas:** Sea-level rise, extreme heat, and water stress pose an economic threat to cities including New York City, according to a recent [Moody's](#) report. New York City is particularly vulnerable to significant losses from sea-level rise, [CNBC](#) coverage of the report noted. Frequent flooding in Manhattan could "prove crippling to an economy where much activity—and the ability to travel—is tied to low-lying land or subway tunnels," the report said.



**HEALTH: A string of rural healthcare providers across the U.S. are cutting costs by dropping labor and delivery care, the [New York Times](#) reported.**

The moves come even as U.S. maternal deaths increase at alarming rates, and as more women develop complications that can be life-threatening, the piece noted.

The New York Fed's Community Development unit works with community leaders to understand community needs and with capital providers to foster economic opportunities. We are searching for ideas that can tear down barriers to economic mobility for low- and moderate-income people; our focus is on the economic drivers of health, household financial well-being, and climate-related risks. Our goal is to elevate those ideas and connect them with funding. To see our [past newsletters](#), [events calendar](#), and learn more, visit our [website](#).

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