

Survey information sheet

Mapping housing experiences during COVID-19

Background:

The COVID-19 pandemic starkly reveals the importance of a safe place to dwell as fundamental to human life. Your ability to ‘stay home’ in order to reduce the spread and lessen the health impact of the virus is only possible if you have adequate shelter. Having to isolate is will have radically different forms, shaped by existing social inequalities. We are concerned that existing housing inequality, precarity, vulnerability and injustice is likely to deepen as a consequence of the pandemic.

To begin to understand the housing implications of the pandemic, it is vital to understand peoples’ experience of dwelling. These experiences will each be unique, and at the same time linked and resonant. We think that it is important to provide a way to share and understand the housing implications of the pandemic, our idea is to build a platform for people to share their housing story / experience.

The survey:

In this survey, you will be asked to provide a short two-minute audio clip of your current housing situation and experience. The stories you provide will be presented on an online, publicly available mapping platform. Your sound clip will be uploaded to a map and will be placed on the location you provide – your suburb.

Your name will not be published, only your story and suburb. The story will stay online for three years, after which the research team will review the project and potentially extend it. If at any time you wish to have your data removed from the mapping platform and project, a link will be provided on the map to enable this.

By completing this survey, you consent to your stories being published on the online map.

The team:

We are a team of housing researchers from RMIT University and University of Sydney.

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