THE TIPPING POINT
The link between housing affordability & homelessness
TUESDAY, APRIL 30, 2019
ONE DAY every person will have an affordable home in a vibrant community, filled with promise and the opportunity for a good life.

OUR MISSION is to create opportunity for low- and moderate-income people through affordable housing in diverse, thriving communities.
For nearly a decade LA mostly added renters
Rental values on a steady rise
Pockets of exceptionally hot rent appreciation within Los Angeles
Redlining + Rent Burden

Legend
HOLC "Redlining" 1939

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Rent Burden (% of Population)

> 77 - 100
> 68 - 77
> 61 - 68
> 54.3 - 61
> 46.4 - 54.3
> 35 - 46.4
> 14 - 35
0 - 14
IT'S HARD TO EAT A BALANCED MEAL WHEN THE RENT GETS THE BIGGEST BITE.
In some places, a median-income renter already pays more than 32% of income to go out and rent the typical home.
Share of tiered income required to rent home tiers, Los Angeles metro
IT’S HARD TO DO YOUR HOMEWORK WHEN “HOME” IS ALWAYS CHANGING.
When a community reaches an affordability tipping point, the link between rent burdens and homeless rates grows stronger.
If rent affordability worsens in Cluster 3 cities, the model predicts an increasing homelessness count.
And in Los Angeles this link is even stronger
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WITHOUT A PLACE TO 
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