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Tracking the Unequal Distribution of Community Development Funding in the US.

Abstract

There are clear winners and losers in the competition to attract this capital, including resources coming from the federal government, with some areas drawing more capital than others, even after adjusting for relative needs. Using our recently developed tool, Community Development Financial Flows, we measured flows of federally sponsored or incentivized community development capital to all US counties with more than 50,000 residents. We found that large counties received disproportionately more funding than small counties, and that the level of distress a county experiences does not directly relate to level of funding.

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