**Persistent Pockets of Concentrated Urban Poverty**

There are good theoretical reasons and *some evidence* that school choice expansion targeted to persistent pockets of concentrated urban poverty is an Economic Development Catalyst Plan A, and that economic development imperatives for persistently poor urban areas is a School Choice Expansion Plan B.

**Initial Urban Poverty Proposal**

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