Educate

- Recommended reading:
    - **The Affordable Housing Challenge**, reported in the Rochester Beacon on August 29, 2024.
    - Jerusalem Demsas, **On the Housing Crisis**. Order a copy at your local bookstore (ISBN 978-1638931966) or purchase the Kindle book on **Amazon**.
    - Check out an excellent resource on **Social Housing** initiatives in the US. The number of local initiatives will surprise you.

Organize

- Scott Clifton, Vice Chair of the REACH Advocacy Team, wrote to introduce himself:
    - *"I am honored to serve as the Vice Chair of the Reach Advocacy Team. After bouncing from one area of the country to another for education and work, my wife, Alexis, and I moved to the Rochester area seven years ago and we plan to live here permanently. I currently teach ethics and moral philosophy at several colleges in the Finger Lakes region. During the pandemic, I decided to become involved in organizations committed to supporting the most disadvantaged and vulnerable populations in our society. This led me to volunteer in food delivery*

for local pantries, engage in outreach to connect the unhoused and hungry with qualified professionals, and teach ethics in New York state correctional facilities. I believe wholeheartedly in the mission of the Reach Advocacy Team, and I look forward to contributing to its important work."

- At our next meeting, we will be focusing on what priorities we will seek to support as advocates for housing justice during the coming year.

Agitate

- Some of us stood with Keisha and her children at a rally outside of her home as she faced eviction. Her home is owned by an absentee landlord who has no apparent cause to evict her. If Good Cause Eviction legislation is passed by the city, Keisha would be protected.