



## Helping children achieve stability

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The impact of poor housing conditions on children is well established. Stable housing reduces stress and increases educational success. When housing is stable, families spend a greater share of household income on nutritious food, health care and other essentials. Children stay in school and succeed when there are no disruptions associated with frequent or unwanted moves.

This is why the recent landmark foreclosure settlement is so important. Forgotten victims in the recent foreclosure crisis are our children, who, because of foreclosure and homelessness, have had to uproot their lives, move frequently and change schools.

At Legal Aid, we look forward to the impact this settlement will have on our communities. The funds will help support families who are trying to keep their homes, help stabilize distressed neighborhoods and ameliorate the impact of the foreclosure crisis on children.

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