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## Community and Economic Development in North Carolina and Beyond Blog: What @sog\_ced is reading online: January 2018

By CED News and Social Media

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*The following are articles and reports on the web that the Community and Economic Development*

*Program at the UNC School of Government shared through social media over the past month. Follow us on twitter or facebook to receive regular updates.*

### Items of interest related to CED in North Carolina:

News & Observer update on Rocky Mount Mills, a multimillion dollar historic redevelopment anchored by a craft brewery incubator: <http://bit.ly/2qH1LbR>

Report from the Information Technology & Innovation Foundation (ITIF) finds that North Carolina leads all states in industry support of university research (12.1%), generating economic development benefits: <http://bit.ly/2Dq0JGE>

Bloomberg.com reports on High Point, North Carolina's taxable bonds to construct a publicly-owned minor league baseball stadium in a bid to attract private investment to revitalize downtown: <https://bloom.bg/2BamftD>

The North Carolina Center for Public Policy Research evaluates the connection between teacher retention and affordable housing. <http://bit.ly/2DxlkcY>

Will the North Carolina General Assembly modify the county "Development Tier" designations at the heart of many State funding formulas? <http://bit.ly/2Fza8ZY>

### Other CED items:

HUD (Department of Housing and Urban Development) delays the fair housing rule until 2020 and will stop reviewing fair housing plans to address racial segregation. HUD says local governments need more time to adjust to the rule: <http://reut.rs/2lXmfrs>

The New York Times' The Upshot argues that NIMBY has evolved into "Not In My Neighborhood" as owners and even renters try to control variables that they perceive (rightly or wrongly) affect their property values. <http://nyti.ms/2CGwV8g>

Small grocer locates in low-income food deserts throughout the country, including South Carolina, backed by a group of military veterans on a mission to bring affordable full-service grocery stores to underserved low-income areas. <http://bit.ly/2ATbdJi>

Excellent case study of the attempted merger of five nonprofit housing organizations in western New York – benefits & challenges, rural & urban: <http://bit.ly/2Dm9VvD>



New York Times explains how the tax overhaul will result in lower production of affordable housing for those full time workers earning 60% of area median income; and the amount of “naturally occurring affordable housing” is falling too. <http://nyti.ms/2EVCLA4>

Tax law included a new tool for community development: qualified investments in “Opportunity Zones,” which are distressed areas that must be designated by governor, get tax benefits such as deferral of taxes on gains and stepped-up basis. <http://bit.ly/2rS3DiD>

**Last month’s edition of “What @sog\_ced is reading....”** [https://ced.sog.unc.edu/what-sog\\_ced-is-reading-online-december-2017/](https://ced.sog.unc.edu/what-sog_ced-is-reading-online-december-2017/)

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