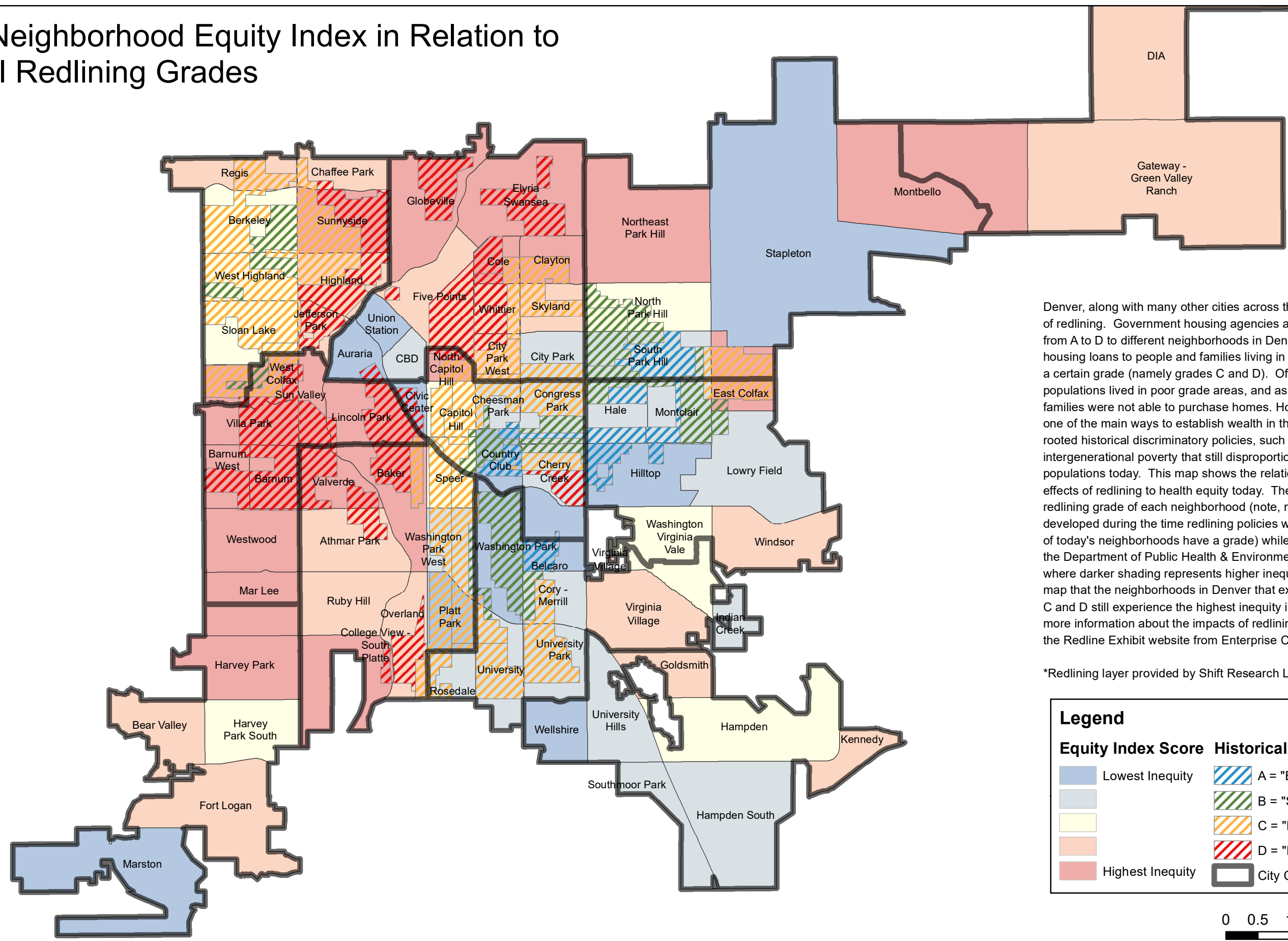


Denver Neighborhood Equity Index in Relation to Historical Redlining Grades



Denver, along with many other cities across the U.S., has a history of redlining. Government housing agencies assigned a grade from A to D to different neighborhoods in Denver and refused housing loans to people and families living in neighborhoods of a certain grade (namely grades C and D). Often, non-white populations lived in poor grade areas, and as a result, non-white families were not able to purchase homes. Home ownership is still one of the main ways to establish wealth in the United States and deeply rooted historical discriminatory policies, such as redlining, began a cycle of intergenerational poverty that still disproportionately impacts non-white populations today. This map shows the relationship between the historical effects of redlining to health equity today. The striped coloring shows the redlining grade of each neighborhood (note, not all of Denver was developed during the time redlining policies were enacted so not all of today's neighborhoods have a grade) while the solid shading shows the Department of Public Health & Environment's Equity Index, where darker shading represents higher inequity. It is clear from this map that the neighborhoods in Denver that experienced grades of C and D still experience the highest inequity in the city today. For more information about the impacts of redlining, see the Undesign the Redline Exhibit website from Enterprise Community Foundation.

*Redlining layer provided by Shift Research Labs

Legend

Equity Index Score	Historical Redlining Grade
Highest Inequity	A = "Best"
	B = "Still Desirable"
	C = "Definitely Declining"
Lowest Inequity	D = "Hazardous"
	City Council District Boundaries



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