

## ARE WE SERVING THE UNDERSERVED? A LOOK AT CHALLENGES, OPPORTUNITIES, AND EXPECTATIONS OF GSE DUTY TO SERVE PLANS

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**Corianne Payton Scally** is a senior research associate in the Metropolitan Housing and Communities Policy Center at the Urban Institute, where she explores the complexities of interagency and cross-sector state and local implementation of affordable rental housing policy, finance, and development. Her areas of expertise include federal, state, and local affordable housing programs and partners, covering topics from policy development and advocacy to program funding and implementation to on-the-ground development and operations. Through extensive case study research, interviews, and surveys, Scally evaluates how well the affordable rental housing system works to serve

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