

Airbnb's **Real** Community Impact

Airbnb claims that it is "committed to working with cities,"¹ but what do cities and policymakers really think of Airbnb and its tactics?

"Airbnb is proving that it wants to play by its own rules, that it believes that it is entitled to something no business has, absolute freedom to operate free of responsibility and oversight."

-David Campos
Former Supervisor, San Francisco
[New York Times, June 28, 2016](#)

"Airbnb thinks they can buy, bully, and lawyer their way out of respecting our local laws."

--Elizabeth Krueger
State Senator, New York
[Bedford and Bowery, April 22, 2014](#)

"This unregulated business has had great impact on safety and affordability,"

-Kenyan McDuffie
Council Member, Washington, DC
[The Washington Post, April 26, 2017](#)

"[Airbnb] destroys neighborhoods, buildings, decreases real estate values and increases costs for workforce housing,"

-Philip Levine
Mayor, Miami Beach
[Miami Herald, March 7, 2017](#)

"What Airbnb fails to realize is that one unit of affordable housing lost represents one family who will not be able to find a home in New York, and that is simply unacceptable."

- Linda Rosenthal
Assemblywoman, New York City
[New York Daily News, October 19, 2016](#)

"[Short-term rentals have] the potential to have a devastating effect on the city."

-Craig Mitchell
Commissioner, New Orleans City Planning Commission
[New Orleans Times-Picayune, June 15, 2016](#)

¹ Airbnb Community Compact. <https://www.airbnbaction.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/11/Airbnb-Community-Compact.pdf>