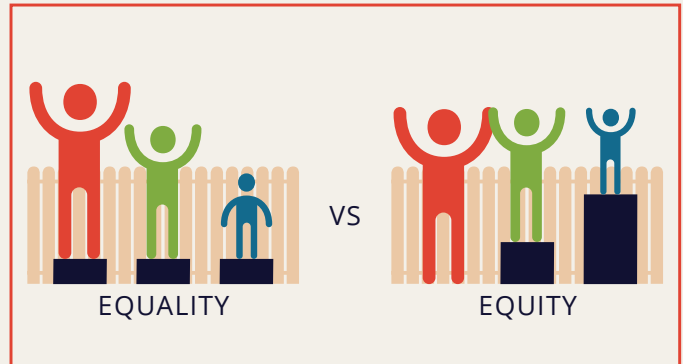
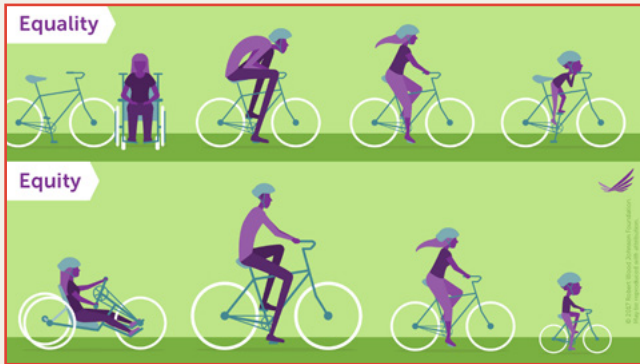


# EQUITY FOR ALL ARIZONANS

## WHAT IS EQUITY?

Equity is related to, but distinct from, equality. Equality is the practice of giving everyone identical resources and opportunities, regardless of where they start. Equity, by contrast, acknowledges that everyone's starting position is different. Equity distributes resources and opportunities to provide everyone with a chance to succeed.



Research shows that the benefits of equity extend beyond improvements for any one individual or category of people. An equitable approach increases productivity, gross domestic product, and tax revenues.

## EXAMINING EQUITY THROUGH DATA

### ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE

In 2019, there were 80.1 providers per 100,000 residents in urban areas. In rural towns, the ratio was only 10.1 providers per 100,000 residents.

In some rural areas, the nearest medical care can be nearly 80 minutes of drive time away.

### IMPACT OF HISTORICAL DISCRIMINATION

One of the principal barriers to business growth for women and people of color is the history of denying equal opportunities for wealth accumulation.

Between January 2020 - February 2022, 215 Arizona startups received external funding. Only 31 of these companies were founded or led by women or people of color.

In 2021, 72.6% of white residents in Arizona owned their homes in Arizona. Only 59.4% of Latino, 56.5% of American Indian, and 40.8% of Black residents owned their homes.

### ACCESS TO INTERNET

Reliable and secure broadband internet is essential for access to needed services and employment. Yet, many of Arizona's rural and Tribal areas do not have access to reliable broadband internet and therefore do not have equitable access to needed services or economic opportunities that are available in urban areas.

### EDUCATION SNAPSHOT

County	8th Grade Math Success
Apache	14%
Cochise	18%
Coconino	18%
Gila	12%
Graham	26%
Greenlee	27%
La Paz	13%
Maricopa	30%
Mohave	19%

County	8th Grade Math Success
Navajo	21%
Pima	24%
Pinal	15%
Santa Cruz	20%
Yavapai	20%
Yuma	20%

