
EDITORS' NOTE

We are excited to share Volume 33 of *Policy Perspectives*, a collection of work from students at the George Washington University Trachtenberg School of Public Policy and Public Administration. Although this journal is rooted in Washington, DC, the issues explored in this volume extend far beyond it, reflecting how closely connected policy challenges have become across places and sectors.

This year's volume comes together at a moment when policy questions feel especially complex and fast-moving. The pieces in these pages take on a range of pressing topics, including cybersecurity, housing affordability, climate change mitigation, and the strength of essential social programs. Each article approaches its subject with care, balancing strong analysis with an awareness of how policy decisions shape people's daily lives. Taken together, they reflect the curiosity, rigor, and sense of purpose that define the Trachtenberg community.

This volume is the result of a great deal of time and collaboration. From early drafts to final edits, our Associate Editors worked closely with authors to challenge ideas, strengthen arguments, and bring each piece to its full potential. We are also grateful to our Senior Editors, many of whom are past editors and contributors to the journal, for lending their experience and perspective in reviewing and refining these pieces. Their thoughtful feedback played an important role in shaping the final publication.

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To our other executive board member, Emily Cipolla, we are so proud of all the work she has put in this year and the amazing pieces that were published for *Brief Policy Perspectives*. We're thrilled to showcase the blog in Volume 33.

Serving as Editor-in-Chief and Managing Editor of Volume 33 has been a meaningful experience for both of us. We are proud to share the work in these pages and grateful for the opportunity to help bring it to life. Thank you for reading.

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