

GHA Doublethink

George Orwell warned us how totalitarian governments would subvert the language in order to do things like build Public Housing in a high-risk floodplain, in neighborhoods with very high levels of poverty, and minorities, and then claim that by doing so, they had provided an enormous opportunity to Public Housing residents, because even though they would still be segregated, and living in a hazardous area, they would now be trapped in very expensive new cages!

In his novel, **“1984”**, Orwell defined Doublethink in part as, *“to be conscious of complete truthfulness while telling carefully constructed lies”*; *“to repudiate morality while laying claim to it”*; *“to forget, whatever it was necessary to forget, then to draw it back into memory again at the moment when it was needed”*.

The Galveston Housing Authority has just **purchased** another academic study where the authors “discovered” that:

The very high amount of subsidized housing in this city is actually a small amount.

The very high amount of vacant housing in this city does not affect the local rental market, because it is still vacant.

The very high number of economically-disadvantaged students in this city is not a financial strain on GISD, because Galveston is actually a “wealthy community”.

Orwell would be so proud!

The fact that Georgia State University’s findings contradict the data obtained from state and federal governments raises many troubling questions!

There is one Doublethink phrase that Orwell might craft to neatly summarize the GHA rebuilding plan.

Segregation is Fair Housing!

Read the GSU report: <http://www.GalvestonOGP.org/GHA/GSU-Report-II-Summary.pdf>