

# Understanding infrastructure privatization

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## **Understanding and Evaluating Infrastructure Public-Private Partnerships (P3s)**

A guide to help advocates, policymakers, and other stakeholders better understand and analyze public-private partnership (P3) infrastructure proposals, contracts, and related legislation.

## **Availability payments in public-private partnerships: Issues and implications**

A research brief introducing “availability payments,” followed by issues important for policymakers and stakeholders when considering an availability payment public-private partnership.

## **An examination of private financing for correctional and immigration detention facilities**

A report documenting how private prison corporations are primed to provide additional jail, prison, and immigration detention space by privately financing new facility construction.

## **The Failure of Policy Planning in California’s Charter School Facility Funding**

A report revealing that much of the more than \$2.5 billion in tax dollars or public financing spent on California charter school buildings in the past 15 years has been misspent.

## **Building American While Building Our Middle Class: Best Practices for P3 Infrastructure Projects**

A report describing best practices to ensure that public-private partnership (P3) infrastructure projects help tackle inequality and create middle class pathways for disadvantaged communities.

## **Lessons learned from the Australian “asset recycling” program**

A research brief exposing the Australian “asset recycling” program as privatization rebranded with a new name—selling off existing public infrastructure to pay for new infrastructure.

## **Infrastructure Justice: Building Equity into Infrastructure Financing**

A report outlining goals and principles to ensure public-private partnerships (P3s) are structured to benefit the public, local economies, and double-bottom line investors.

## **Ask the Right Questions Before Privatizing**

Ten questions public officials, advocates, and the media should ask—and get answered—before any final privatization decision.

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