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Healthier communities do better at attracting jobs

It's all about [health-care costs](#) - "in some respects, a community's health index is like an individual's credit score."

One airport, two million worms

Charlotte-Douglas International Airport [uses worms to compost food waste](#) - as part of a larger program aimed at eventually turning a profit on the airport's trash.

That's not an apartment, it's an "apodment"

[Tiny, low-cost modern apartments](#) can help expensive cities attract renters who might previously have been priced out of the market - and some of those cities are changing their building codes to accommodate that idea.

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