### St. Louis County Housing Study

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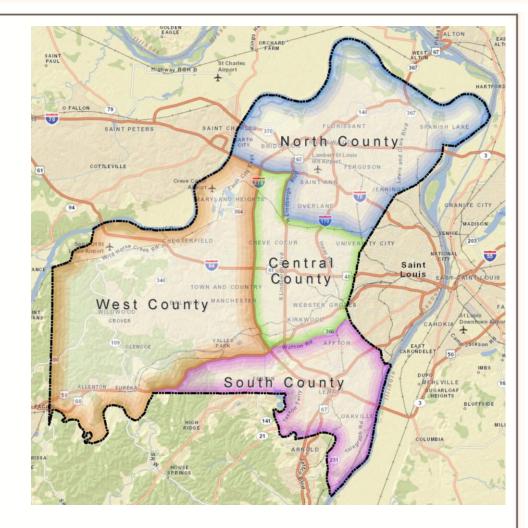
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## Introduction: Scope

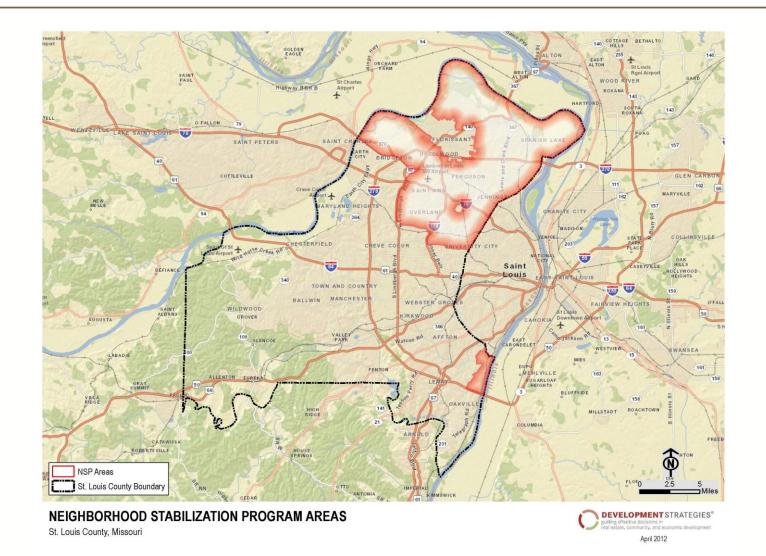
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- Survey Affordable Rental Properties
- Analyze County Foreclosure Data
- Research Policy Tools

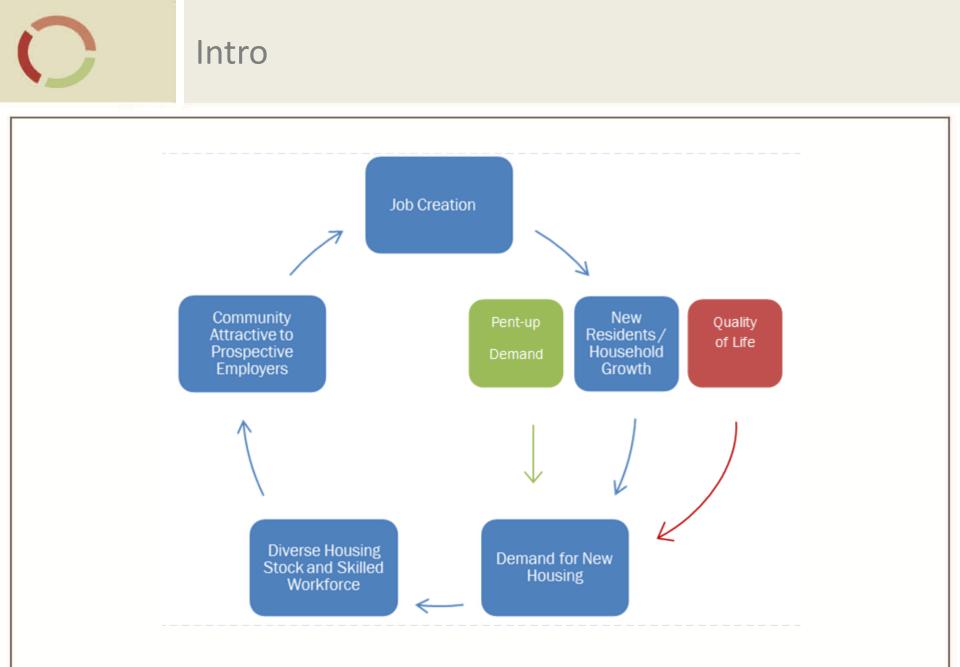




## Introduction: Areas of Focus



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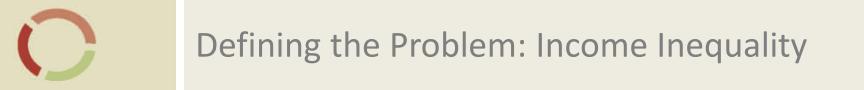


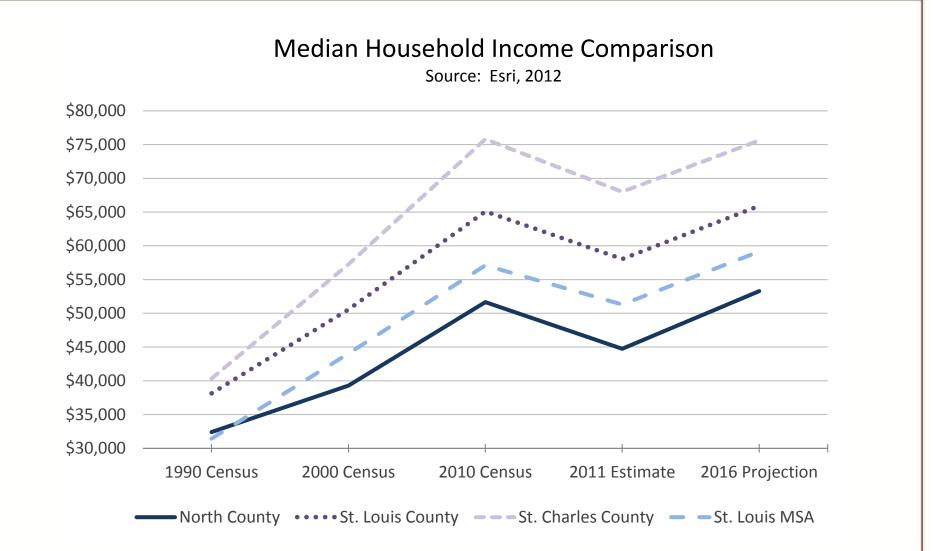
## **Defining the Problem**

## **Problems: A partial list**

- Low median home values (\$88,000)
- Declining population (-\$21,000)
- Below average median HH Income (\$45,000)
- Elevated housing vacancy (12%)
- Concentrated poverty
- Concentrated foreclosures
- Property depreciation

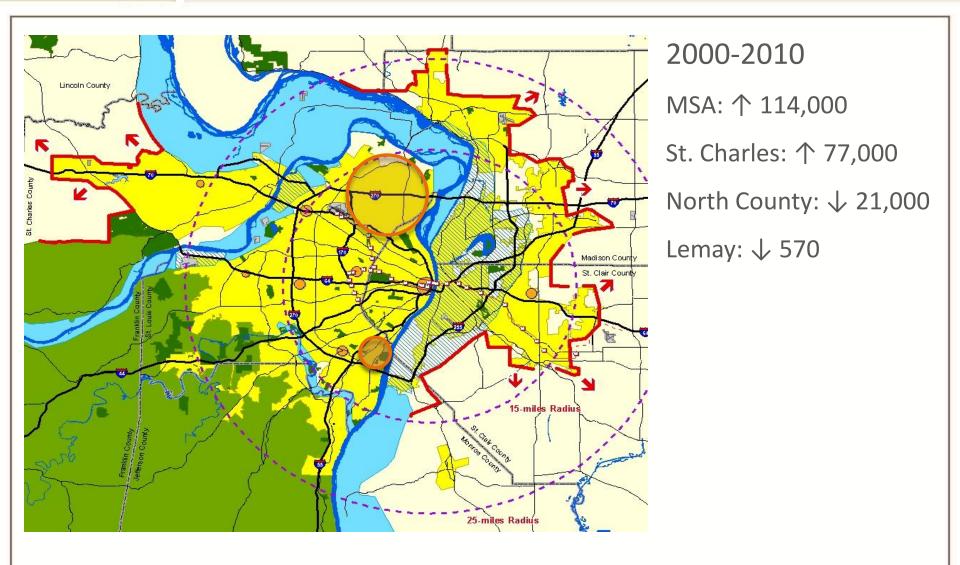
- Decline in manufacturing jobs
- Fragmented governance
- Few well-defined centers
- Aging housing stock
- Limited government resources





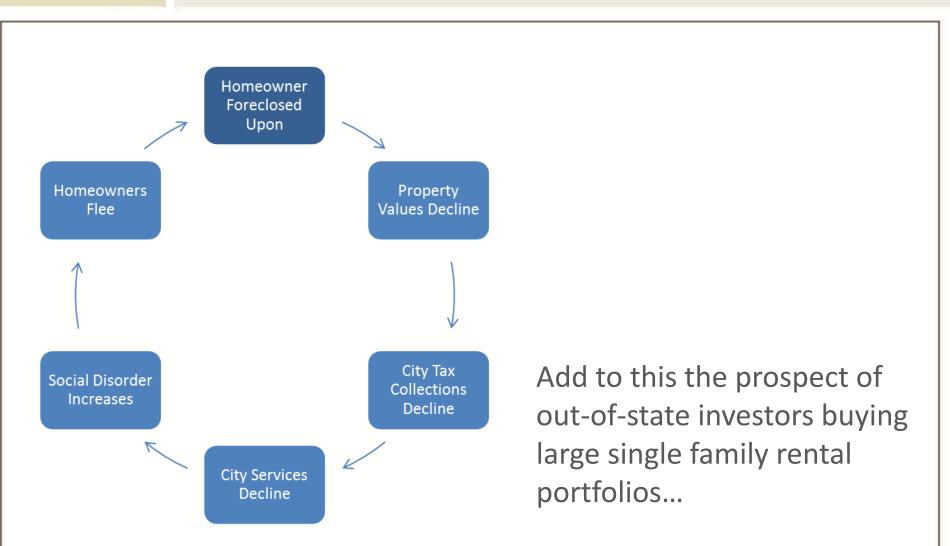
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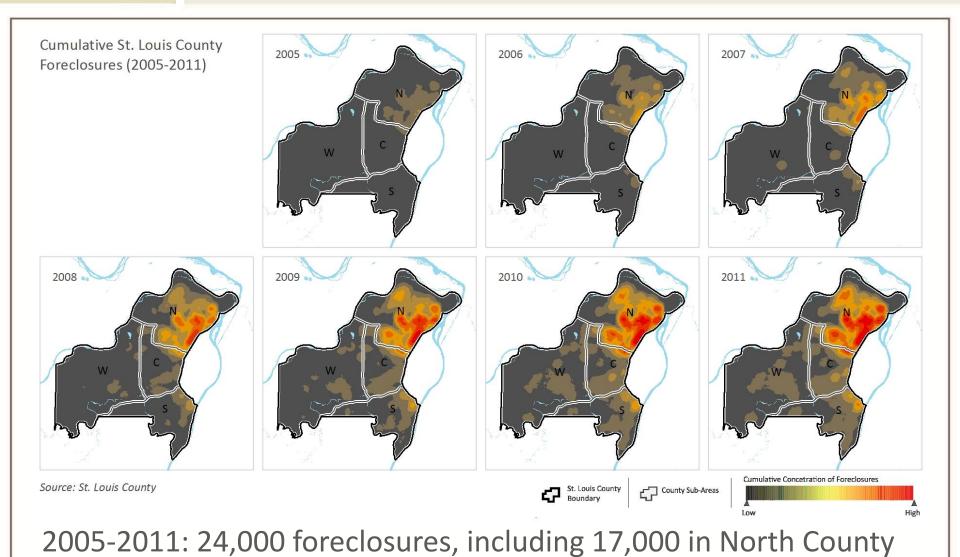


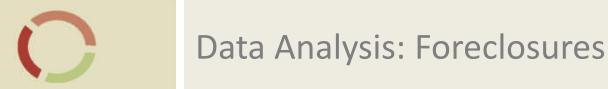
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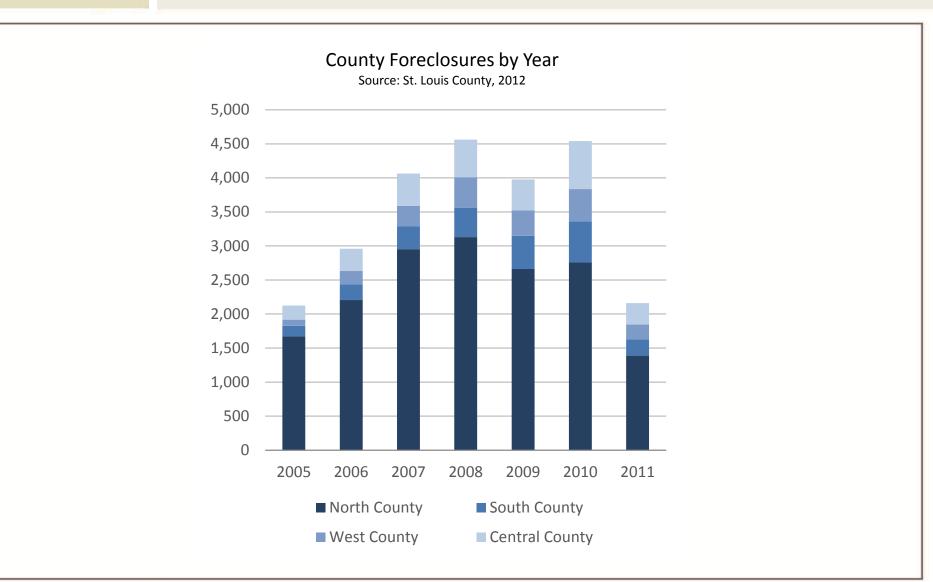




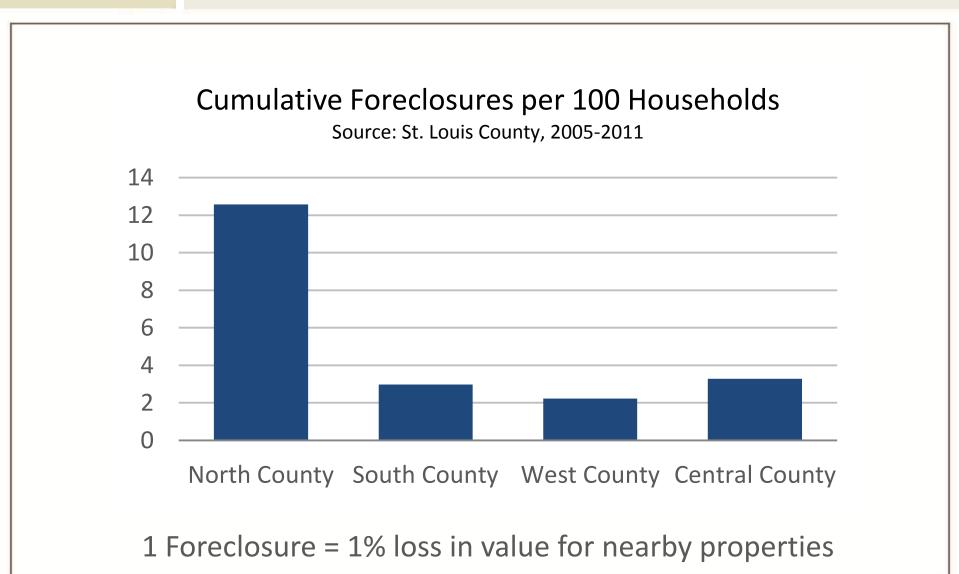
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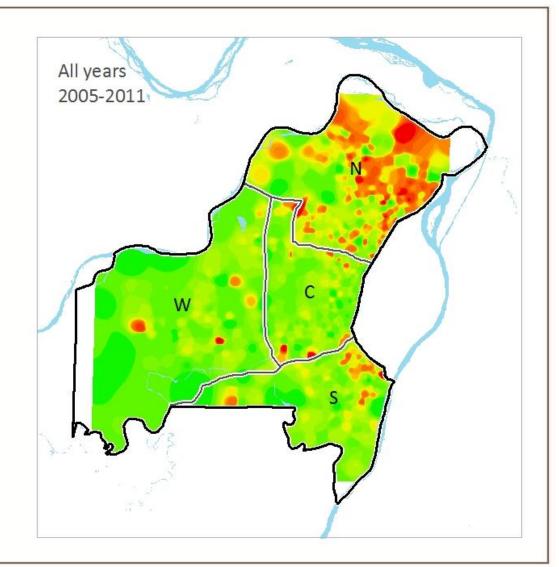




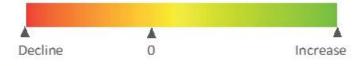




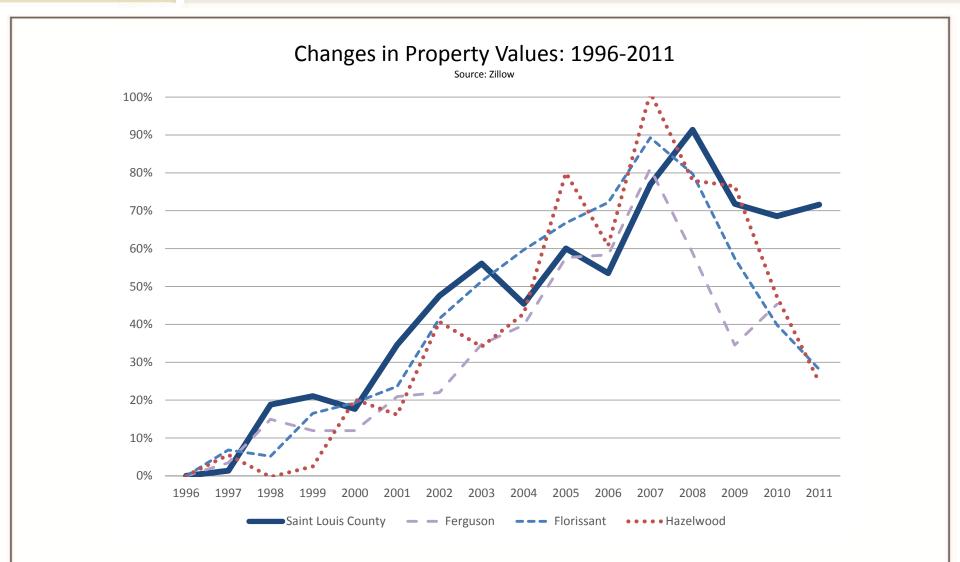
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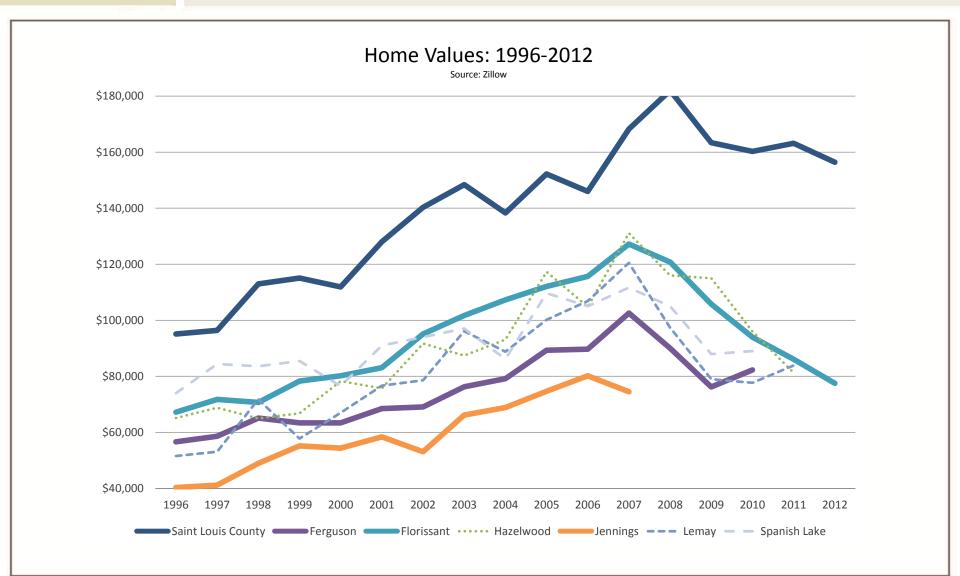
Percentage Change of Total Assessed Values



# Data Analysis: Property Values

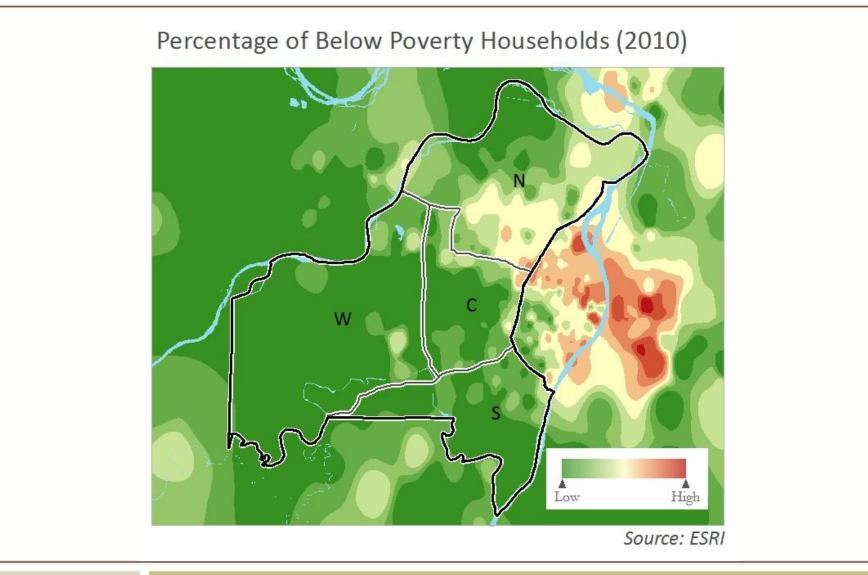


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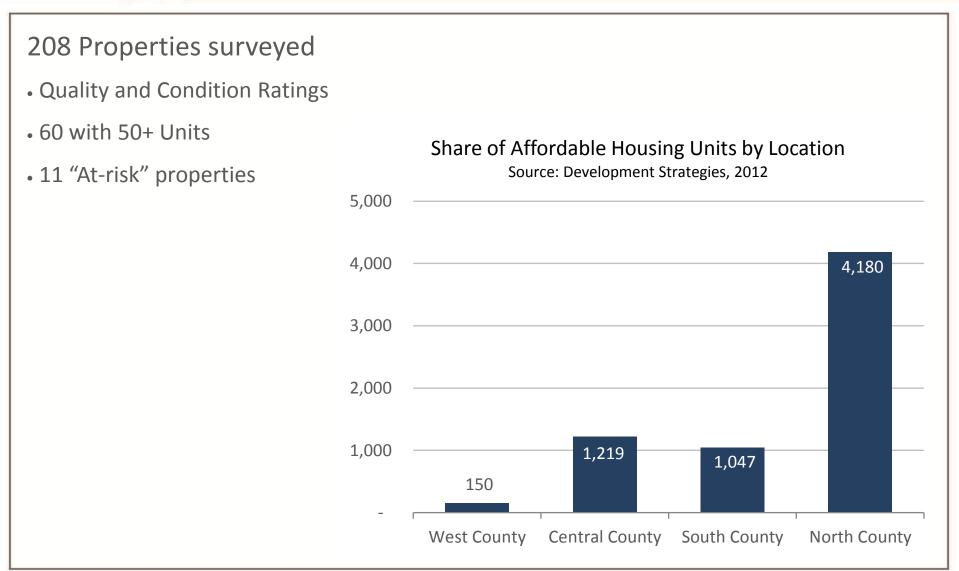




## Data Analysis: Assessed Values









## Assets and Opportunities

### Assets

- Boeing
- Express Scripts
- Emerson Electric
- Lambert International
- UMSL
- Christian Northeast Hospital
- NorthPark
- MetroLink
- River City Casino
- Jefferson Barracks





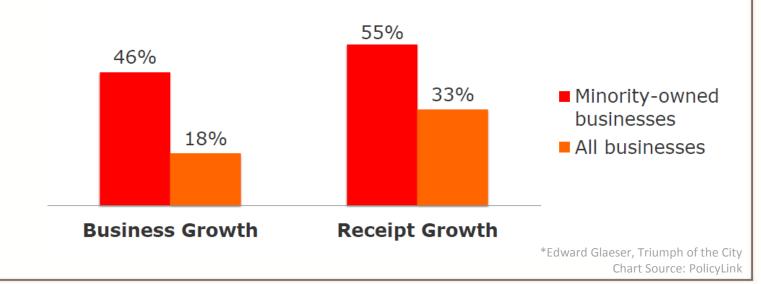






Small Business Growth

In Metro areas, a 10% increase in the number of companies per worker in 1977 is associated with 9 percent more employment growth between 1977 and 2000.\*



#### Growth in Businesses, 2002-2007



## **Demographic Transition**

#### Demographics are Changing

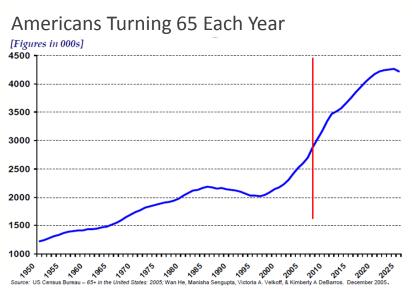
- More Seniors
- More Singles
- Smaller Families

→Demand will increase for smaller homes

#### Decline in Households with Kids

Household	1960	2000	2025
With Children	48%	33%	28%
Without Children	52%	67%	72%
Single	13%	26%	28%

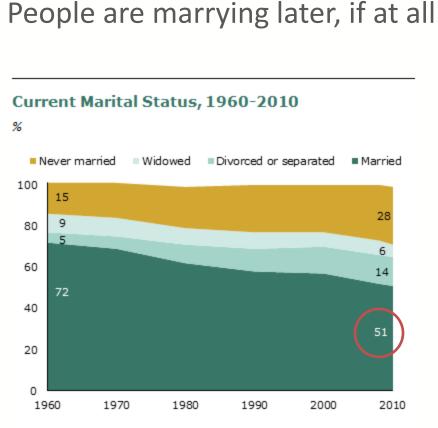
Source: Census for 1960 and 2000; adapted from Martha Farnsworth



*Source*: Census for 1960 and 2000, 2025 adapted from Martha Farnsworth Riche, How Changes in the Nation's Age and Household Structure Will Reshape Housing Demand in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, HUD (2003).



## Demographic Transition: Marriage



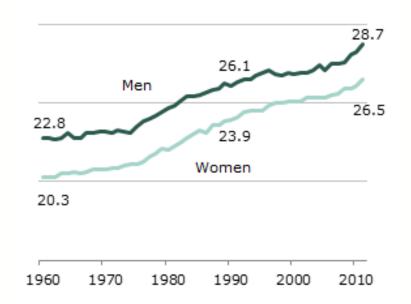
Note: Based on adults ages 18 and older. Percents may not total 100% due to rounding.

Source: Pew Research Center analysis of Decennial Census (1960-2000) and American Community Survey data (2008, 2010), IPUMS.

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#### Median Age at First Marriage, 1960-2011

#### in years



Source: Current Population Survey, March and Annual Social and Economic Supplements.

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## **Demographic Transition**

#### Housing Preferences are Changing

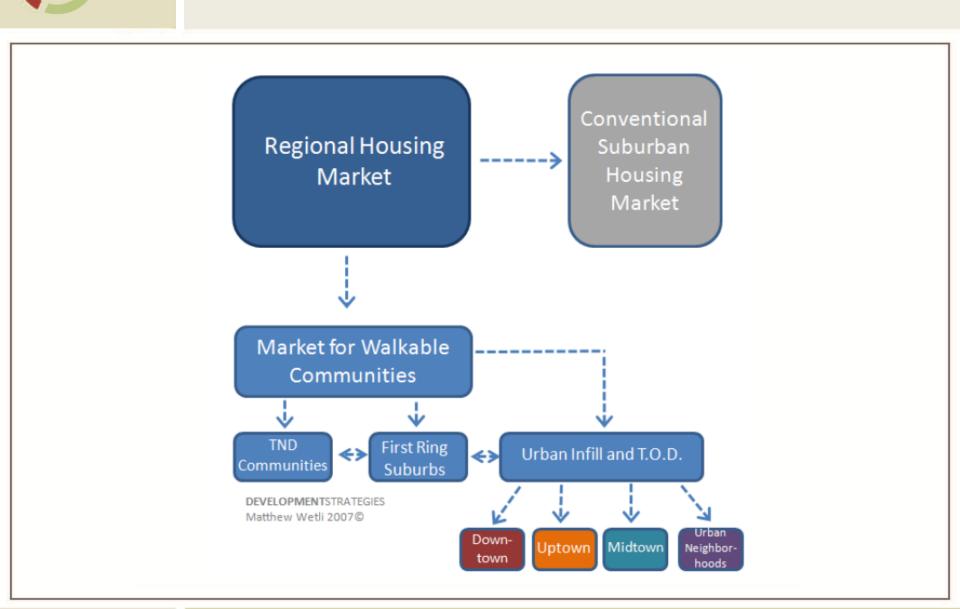
- More Segmented
- Greater Mix of Uses\*
- One-third of suburbanites would prefer to live somewhere walkable\*\*
- 80 million Millennials:
  88% want to be in an urban setting \*\*\*

Prefere	erence Demand vs. Supply		эріу	
House Type	Nelson	RCLCo	NAR	AHS
Attached	38%	38%	39%	28%
Small Lot	37%	37%	37%	29%
Large Lot	25%	25%	24%	43%

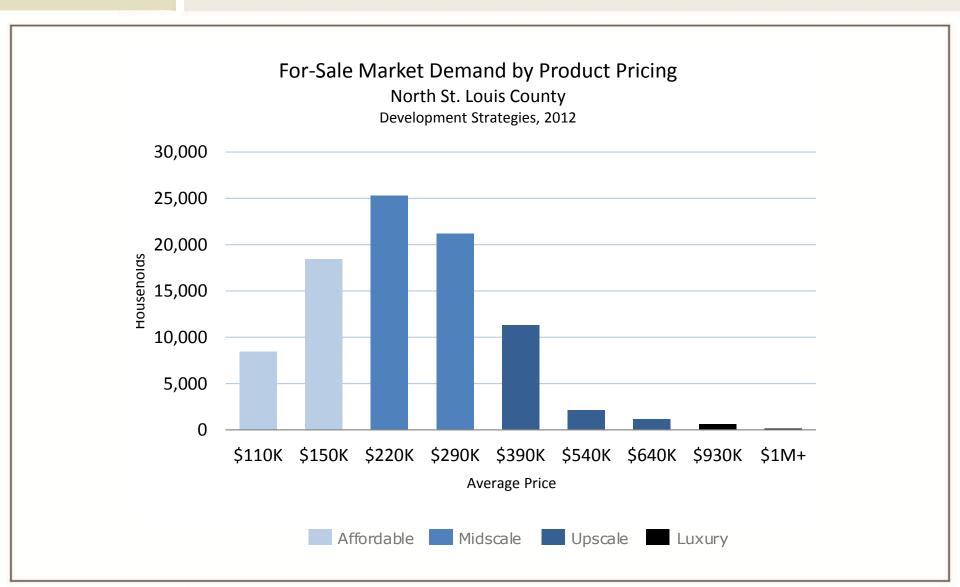
Source: Nelson (2006), RCLCo (2008), Myers & Gearin (2001), NAR (2011), AHS (2010)

\*National Association of Realtors: The 2011 Community Preference Survey, 2011 \*\*SMARTRAQ 2007 \*\*\*"No McMansions for Millennials, WSJ, January 13, 2011.

## **Opportunity and Demographic Transition**







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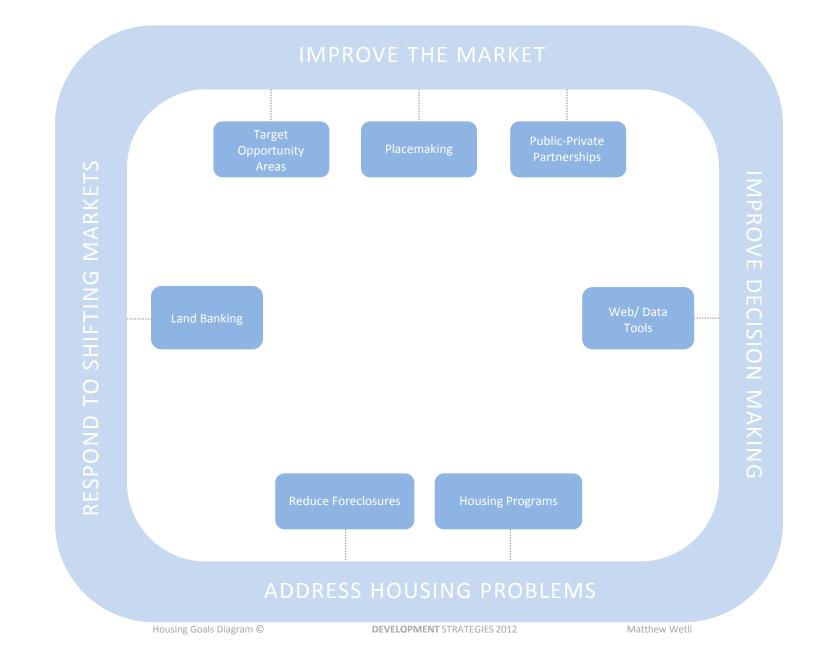
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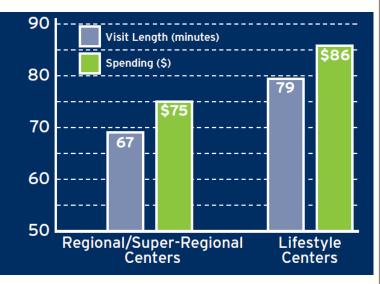
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## Housing Policy: Placemaking



Easton Town Center, Columbus, Ohio



Where the place is inviting, shoppers stay longer and spend more.\*

\*Alexander Babbage 2009

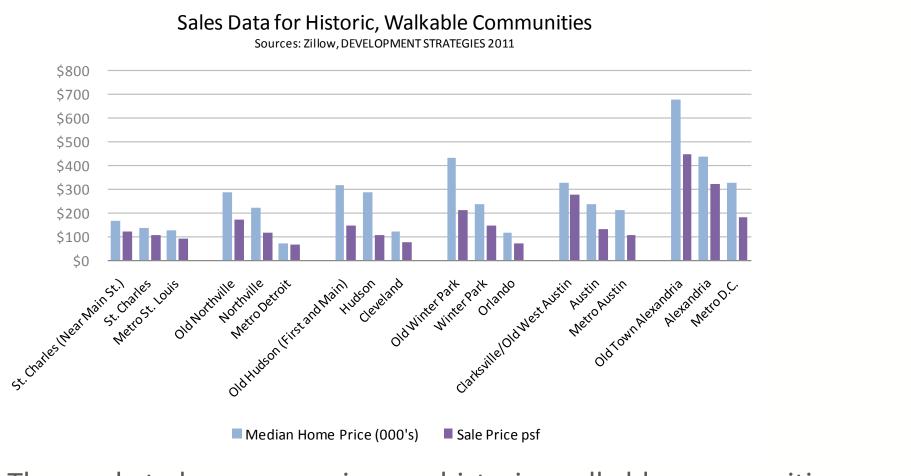


## Housing Policy: Placemaking



Great places create value for residential development





The market places a premium on historic, walkable communities

## Housing Policy: Placemaking



### Town Center Apartments

#### **Selected Cities**

		2 BR Rent	2 BR	Avg. Metro	% Higher
Town Center	Market	psf	Rent	Rent	Rent
SouthSide Works	Pittsburgh	\$1.50	\$1,750	\$693	153%
Easton Town Center	Columbus	\$1.10	\$1,150	\$652	76%
The Greene	Dayton	\$1.05	\$1,050	\$571	84%

Sources: REIS, Red Capital Group, DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIES, 2010-2011

## New places can be created to add value to residences



## Housing Policy: Placemaking

#### Key Office Market Indicators, Class A and B Space Select Submarkets, 2006 and 2010

	2006 2010		010	
	Rate*	Vacancy	Rate*	Vacancy
Kansas City				
Country Club Plaza	\$29	6%	\$23	16%
College Boulevard	\$22	9%	\$22	21%
Downtown	\$16	17%	\$21	25%
Overall	\$20	14%	\$21	18%
St. Louis				
Clayton	\$24	14%	\$26	12%
Creve Coeur	\$24	18%	\$24	11%
Highway 40/Chesterfield	\$23	15%	\$23	11%
Downtown	\$19	8%	\$19	13%
Overall	\$22	11%	\$22	12%

Source: CoStar \*Refers to weighted average asking gross lease rates, per square foot



## Employment centers that reinforce place are highly valued in Missouri

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Target Opportunity Areas	
TOD	Town Centers
Main Streets	Historic Districts



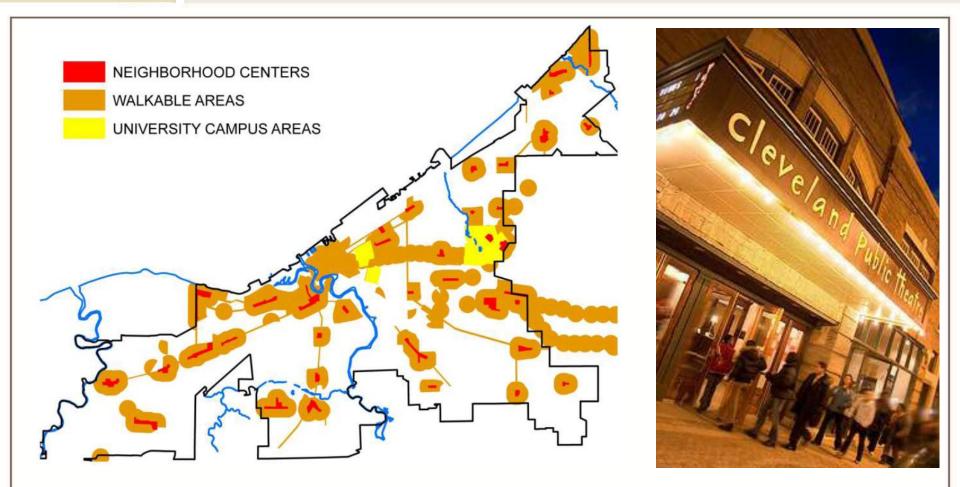
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## Housing Policy: Opportunity Areas



In Cleveland, opportunity areas were identified for concentrated investment.

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## Housing Policy: Opportunity Areas: TOD

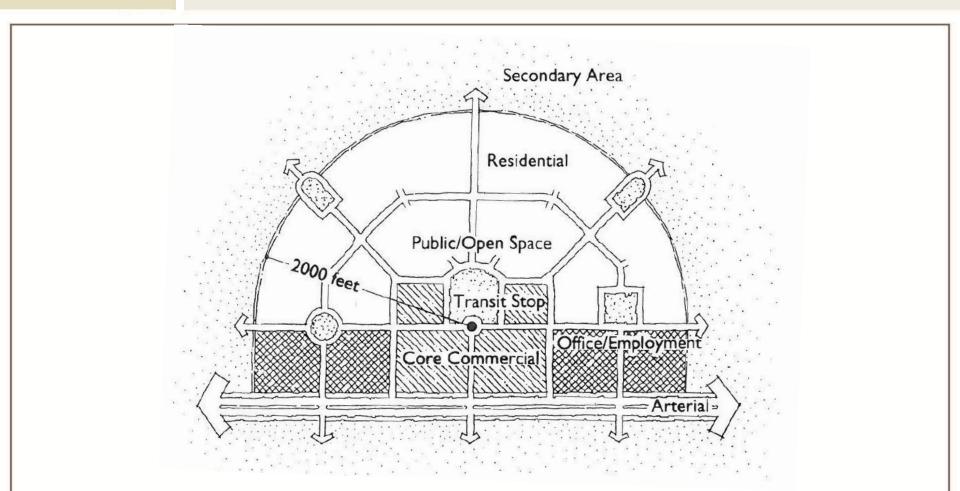
## Transit-friendly Design\*

- Density: 20 to 30 units per acre for light rail.
- Density Gradient
- Mix of Uses
- Short Block Lengths: 300 to 500 feet lengths are considered ideal
- Continuous, wide sidewalks
- Calm traffic (with few exceptions)
- Street-oriented Buildings



\*Reid Ewing, 1999

## Housing Policy: Opportunity Areas: TOD



Property premiums for TOD range from 7 to 24 percent.\*

\*Victoria Transport Policy Institute, 2011 Diagram provided by Peter Calthorpe



# Housing Policy: Opportunity Areas: TOD



Beyond Housing: A TOD plan in Pagedale

# Housing Policy: Opportunity Areas: TOD





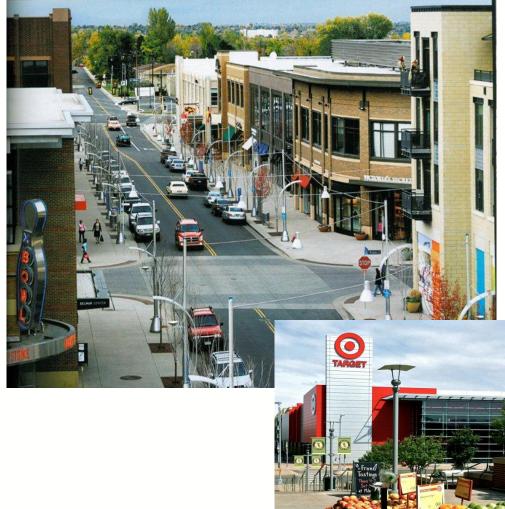


#### Pagedale Plan: Rock Road Station

- 15 years, \$135 million
- \$52M in private investment
- \$70M in tax credits (LIHTC & NMTC)
- •\$13M
  - PILOTS
  - Special Assessments
  - HOME funds



# Housing Policy: Town Centers



#### Belmar (Suburban Denver)\*

- Phase I: 2004
- Median HH Income (5 min drive): \$55K
- \$207 million economic impact (2004 to 2008)
- Property values: increased 392 percent from 2002 to 2008 (within Belmar Redevelopment Area)

\*Source: City of Lakewood

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### Housing Policy: Town Centers



#### Jamestown Mall Plan

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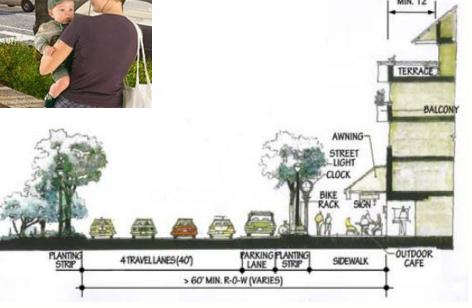
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Image provided by Design Workshop for South Grand Avenue in St. Louis

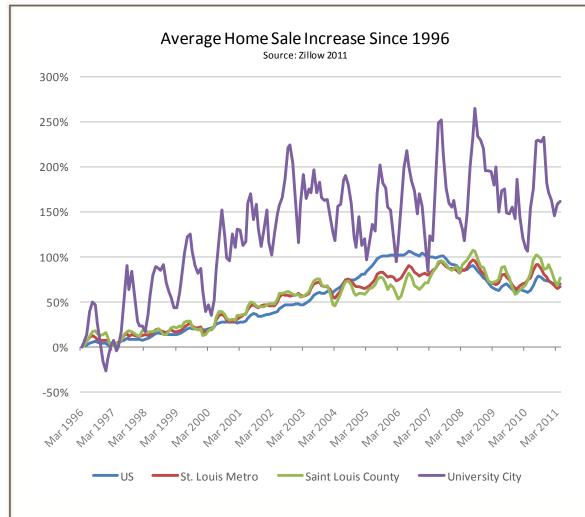
#### City of Ferguson

- Complete Streets
- Form-based Code and Zoning





#### Housing Policy: Historic Districts





German Village; Value: \$327K; 1,850 s.f.

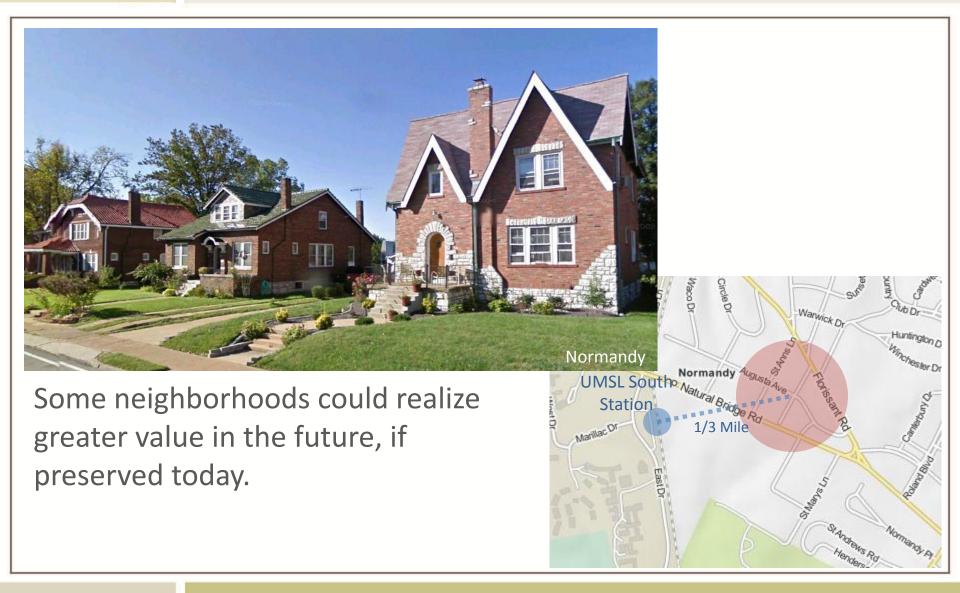


Old West Austin; Value: \$316K; 1,225 s.f.

#### Many historic neighborhoods have significant latent value

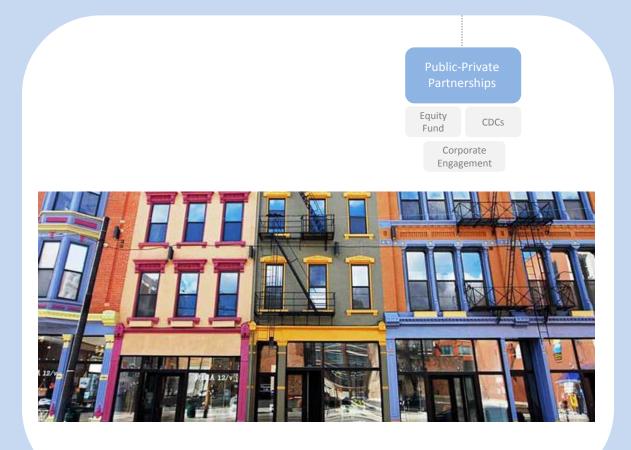
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Question: How can North County's existing assets be bestleveraged?

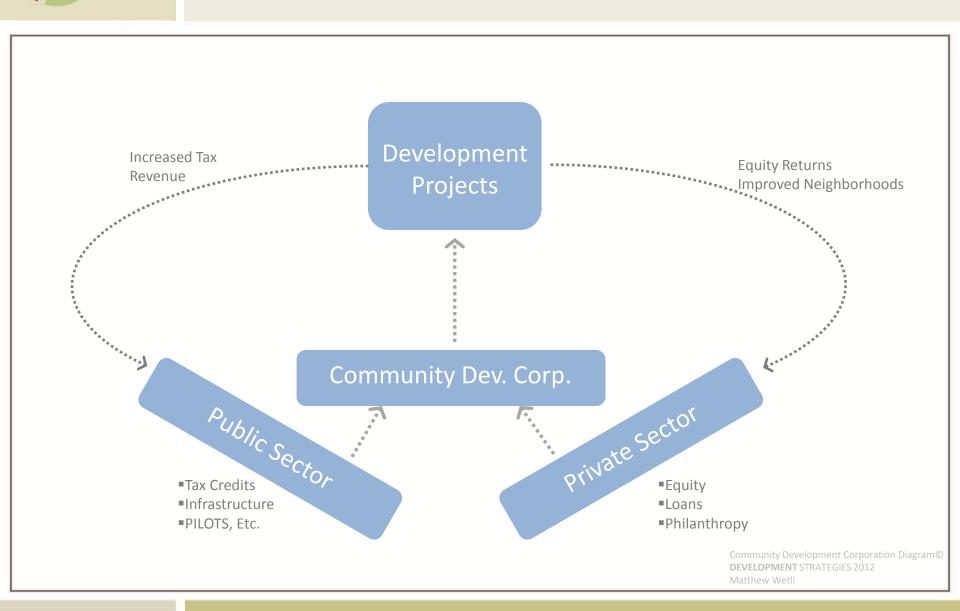
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- Express Scripts
- Emerson Electric
- •UMSL
- Healthcare
- Lambert

- MetroLink and TOD
- Town Centers
- Historic Neighborhoods
- Main Streets



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#### Case Study: Over the Rhine and 3CDC





#### Case Study: Over the Rhine





#### Case Study: Over the Rhine and 3CDC

#### **Board Members** American Financial Group \* American Modern Insurance Group Castellini Company Cincinnati Bell Cincinnati Enquirer Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber Cintas Convergys Corporation Deloitte Dinsmore & Shohl Duke Energy Fifth Third Bank \* First Financial Bank **General Electric Global Novations** Humana Huntington Bank Jack Rouse Associates KPMG Macy's \* North American Properties Peck, Shaffer & Williams PNC Bank Procter & Gamble \* Scripps Interactive The Kroger Company \* **Towne Properties** Toyota Motor United Way

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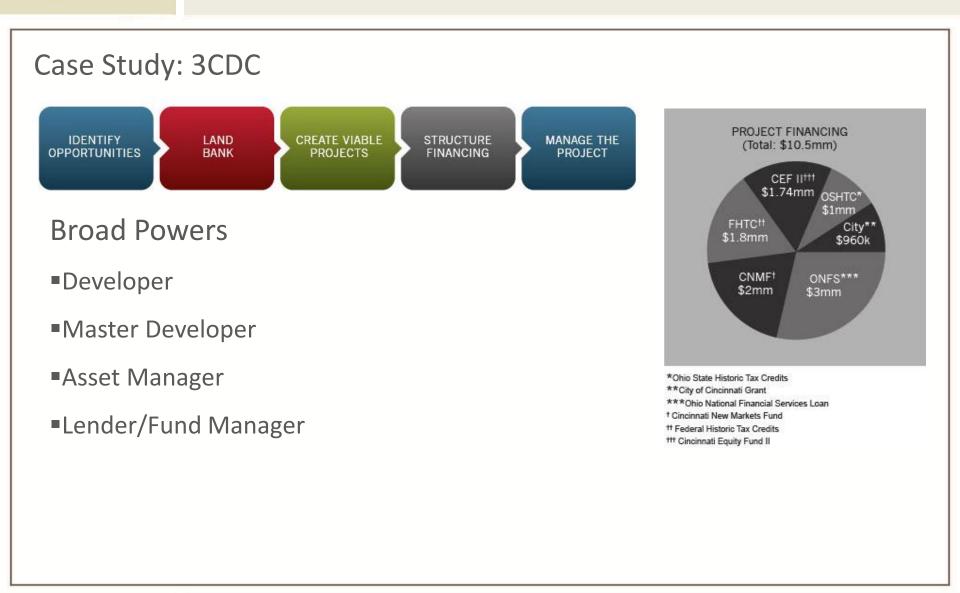


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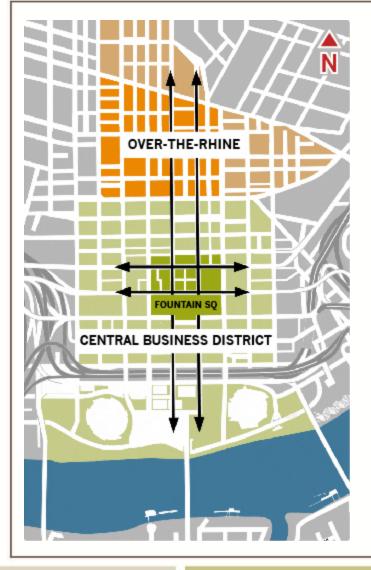
\* Fortune 500 Headquartered Companies

Uptown Consortium

Western & Southern Financial Group \*









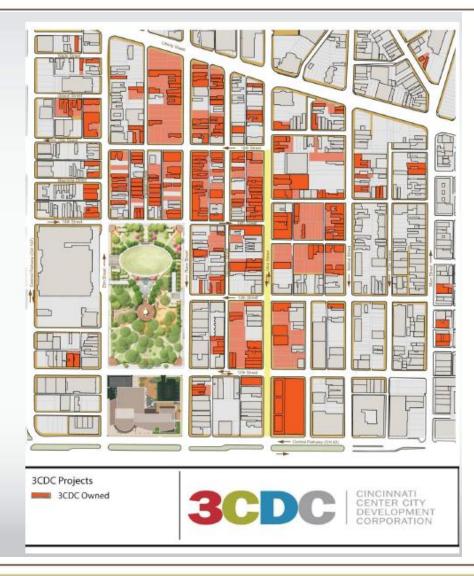
#### Case Study: 3CDC

**Targeted Area** 

# **3CDC**

#### OTR ACTION STEP: LAND BANKING

- CEF/CNMF has invested over \$27 million in private funding to land bank properties in the Washington Park section of OTR
- 3CDC owns or controls:
  ✓ 200 buildings
  ✓ 169 vacant parcels
- Over \$700,000 in annual carrying costs



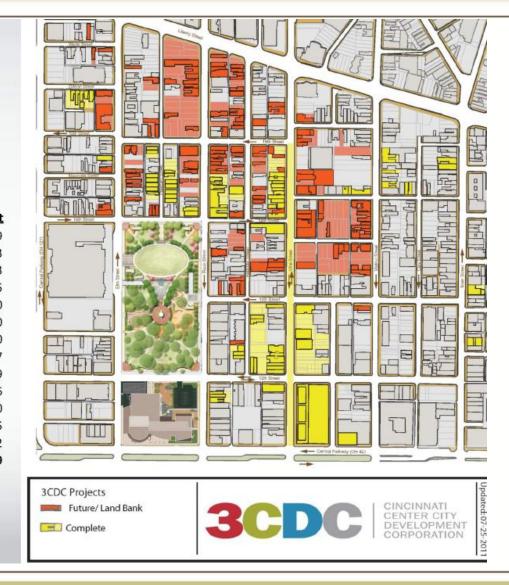
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# Housing Policy: Public-Private Partnerships

# **3CDC**

#### COMPLETED DEVELOPMENTS:

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27,509,479
6,896,093
21,581,113
31,264,665
2,600,000
800,000
1,000,000
10,722,507
3,381,849
8,100,606
460,000
565,895
47,571,582
162,453,789







#### Case Study: Over the Rhine and 3CDC



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SESPOND TO SHIFTING MARKETS

#### Land Banking Site Urban Preparation Farms Site Watershed Assembly Restoration



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Agriculture alone will not drive North County and Lemay's economies...





...but decline cannot be ignored.







Greenways, Parks, Stormwater Management, Green Infrastructure

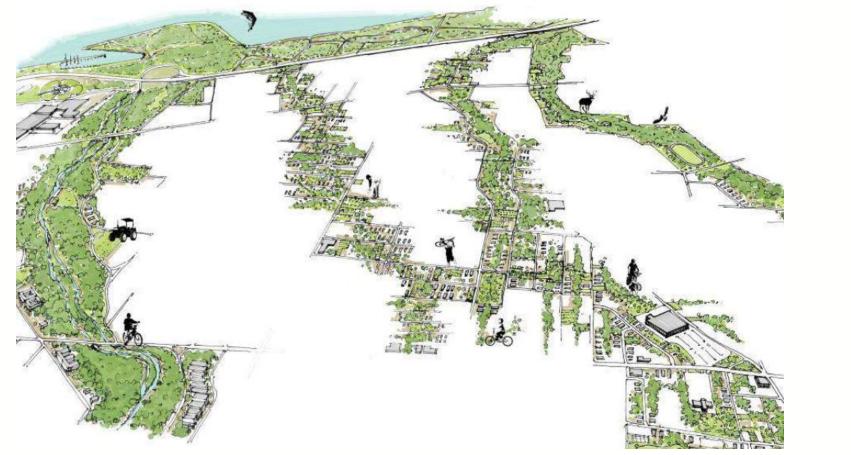


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#### Urban Farms, Soil Remediation ("Phytoremediation")



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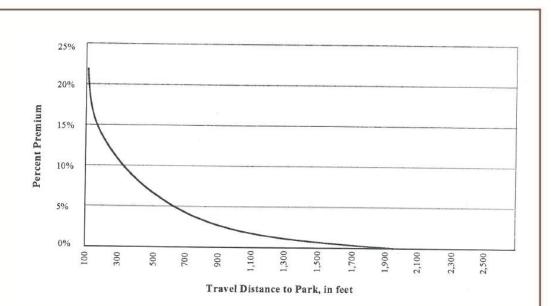






What does this have to do with housing?

- Parks and open space increase property values
- Reduce supply
- Remove blight
- Reduce cost of services
- Prepare sites for development
- Green Infrastructure
- MSD to invest \$100 million in St. Louis region





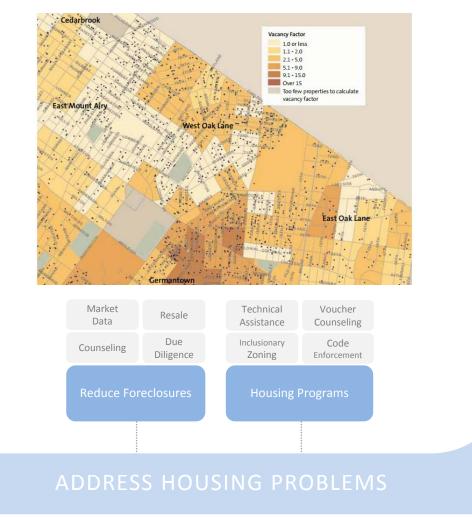
#### Case Study: Cuyahoga Land Bank

- Dedicated Revenue Stream:
  - Penalties from unpaid taxes (Ohio)
  - Captured taxes from properties put back into use (Michigan)
- Broad Powers: Proactive
- Unrestricted Geographies



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#### Case Study: Foreclosure Counseling

- 2008 Study: Beyond Housing
- HH's delinquent on payments
- 84 percent remained in homes one year later (an estimated 60% improvement
- 26% received loan modifications

#### The Cost of Foreclosure

Homeowner Costs	\$7,200
Lost equity, moving expenses, etc.	
Community Costs	\$1,508
Decrease in adjacent values	
Local Government	\$19,227
Loss in taxes	
Lenders	\$50,000
Loss on property, maintenance, appraisal, legal fees, insurance, marketing, clean-up	
Total Cost	\$77,935

Sources: Joint Economic Committee of Congress, 2008; Standard and Poor's, 2008; Mortgage News Daily 2008



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# Policy: Address Housing Problems

#### Case Study: Reselling Homes

- Boston Community Capital: SUN Initiative
- Reduced monthly payments by \$1,150 for at-risk households
- Paycheck deposits, direct withdrawal, reserves required
- Avoiding "Moral Hazard": shared-appreciation second mortgage



#### SUN Clients Compared to City of Boston Homeowners

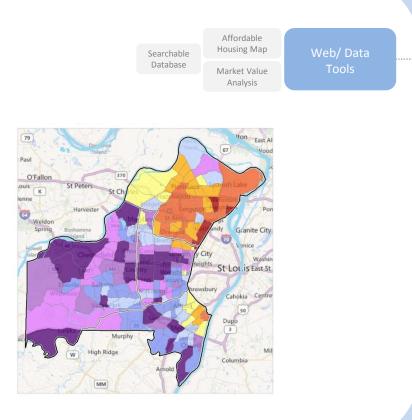
	SUN clients	Homeowners City of Boston*
Owner-occupied properties **		
Median family income	\$57,387	\$86,827
Median property value	\$199,531	\$419,500
Pre-SUN median monthly housing expenses, including mortgages	\$2,728	\$2,352
Post-SUN median monthly housing expenses, including mortgages	\$1,563	\$2,352



#### **Housing Programs**

- Zoning and Incentives
  - Inclusionary Zoning: Montgomery County (Maryland)—12-15%
  - "Hybrid" Inclusionary Zoning: Chicago—10-20%
- Voucher Counseling
- Voucher Anti-discrimination
  - Montgomery County: cannot screen "Source of Income"
- Technical Assistance: LIHTC, TIF, NMTC, etc.
- Proactive Code Enforcement: Rental licensing; responsible landlord program
  - Ferguson, University City, St. Peters (MO), Grandview (MO)

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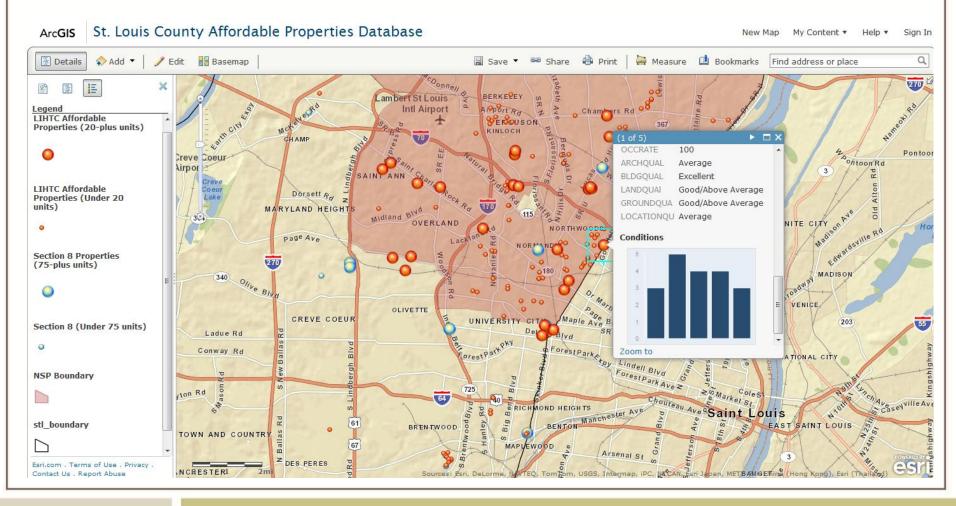
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#### Affordable Properties Database



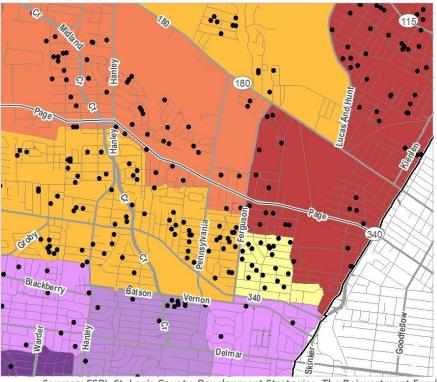


## Policy Tools: Data/Web Tools

#### Market Value Analysis

Market Value	Analysis 2010-2011	N	Nedian Sales Price 2010	Percent Vacant Units 2011	Foreclosures As Percentage of Sales 2010/2011
Regional Choice/ HighValue	Average	\$	769,673	5.8	9.9
	Average	\$	409,204	6.9	12.8
	Average	\$	289,767	5.9	10.5
Steady	Average	\$	217,360	5.3	9.8
Steady	Average	\$	150,477	6.9	14.7
Transitional	Average	\$	110,958	7.7	16.4
	Average	\$	85,717	7.4	23.1
Distressed	Average	\$	64,312	10.2	24.9
Distressed	Average	\$	38,444	14.9	24.1

#### St. Louis County MVA With Foreclosures





Market Value Analysis, 2011





Regional Choice/ HighValue Steady

Transitional Distressed

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#### Cooperation

- Municipalities
- Organizations (CDC's), Land Banks, etc.
- Public-Private Partnerships
- A Comprehensive Approach
- Long and Short-term Strategies

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