NEIGHBORHOOD
ACTION PLANS/
ASSET-BASED
MICRO PLANNING

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## YOUNGSTOWN OHIO

- Population peaked at 170,002 residents in 1930
- Planners laid out physical infrastructure for continued growth to 250,000
- September 19, 1977 BLACK MONDAY
- 40,000 jobs lost in a five year period



## CITY OF YOUNGSTOWN CURRENT REALITY

#### 2016 Snapshot

Population: 65,062 -61 Percent

• Vacant Structures: 3,900 Structures

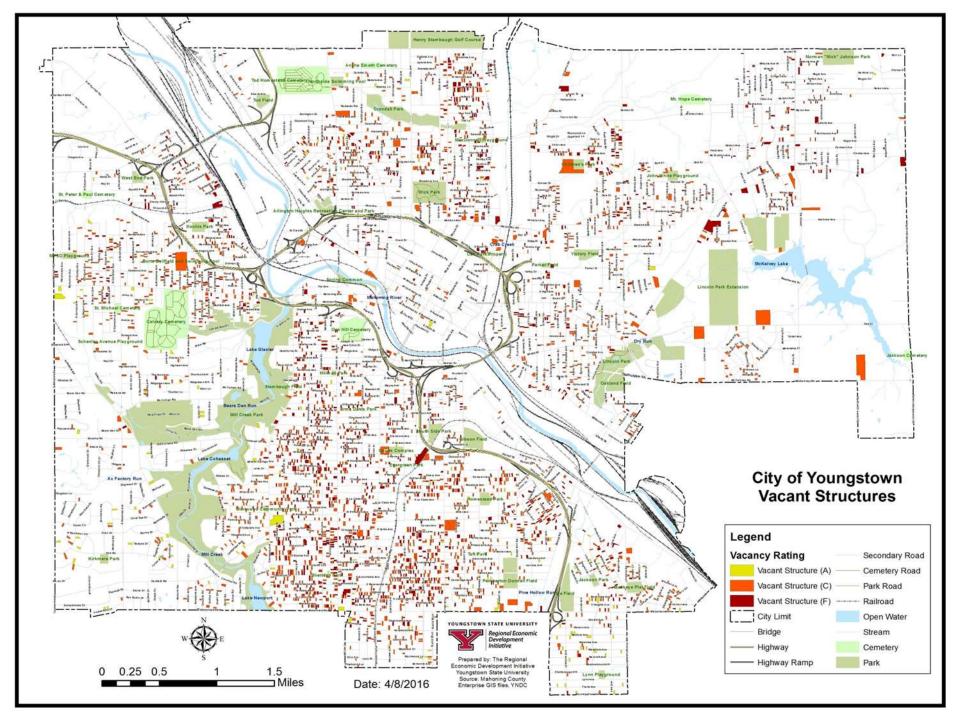
• Vacant Land: 24,000+ Parcels

• Poverty Rate: 37 Percent

• Median HH Income: \$24,361

Avg. Home Sale Price: \$21,327





## YOUNGSTOWN NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

- Citywide community planning and development organization
- Created through public private partnership after completion of Youngstown 2010 plan
- Began operations in late 2009/early 2010
- Began neighborhood planning services for the City of Youngstown in 2013



## YNDC APPROACH

- Performance Based
- Layer Partnerships
- Residents at the Center Grassroots Engagement
- Strategically Focus Resources
- Incremental Implementation of Vision

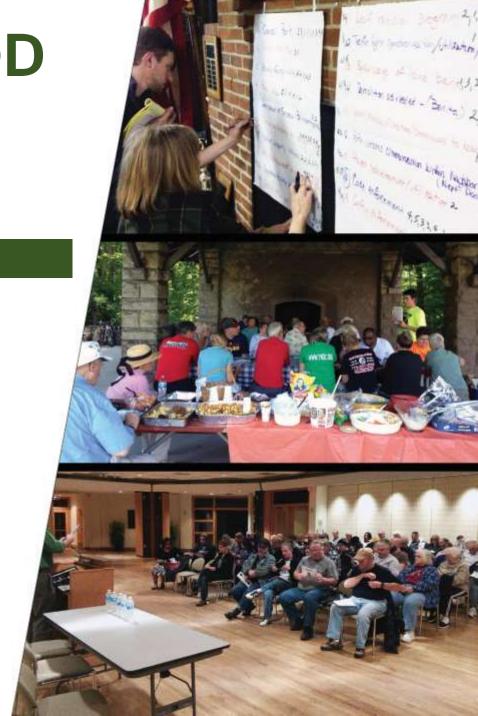
#### **Core Services:**

- Land Reuse and Community Nutrition
- Neighborhood Stabilization and Planning
- Housing and Community Lending



## NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING PROCESS

- Development of a Neighborhood Conditions Report
- Stakeholder and resident engagement
- Identification of neighborhood assets and priorities
- Housing market segmentation analysis
- Goal: Develop neighborhood plans and citywide revitalization strategies that are responsive to neighborhood characteristics and are action oriented.



# HOUSING MARKET SEGMENTATION ANALYSIS - VARIABLES

<u>Vacancy Rate</u> – 2010 Census

**Mortgage Ratio** – HMDA and Mahoning County Auditor

<u>Sales Ratio</u> – Mahoning County Auditor

Median Sales Price – Mahoning County Auditor

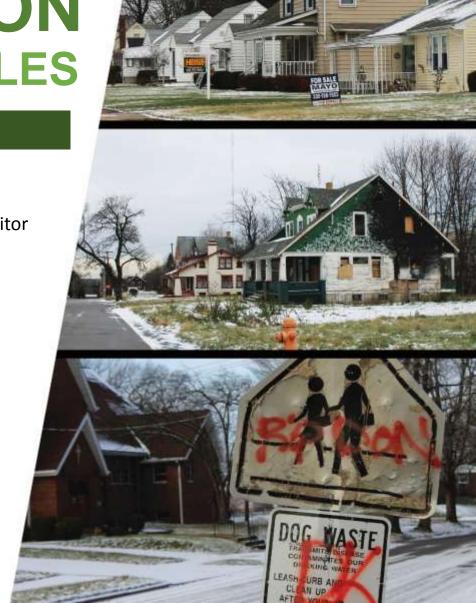
Homeownership Rate – 2010 Census

Change in Homeownership Rate – 1990 and 2010 Census

<u>Calls for Service per 1,000 residents</u> – Youngstown Police Department

Population Loss – 1990 and 2010 Census

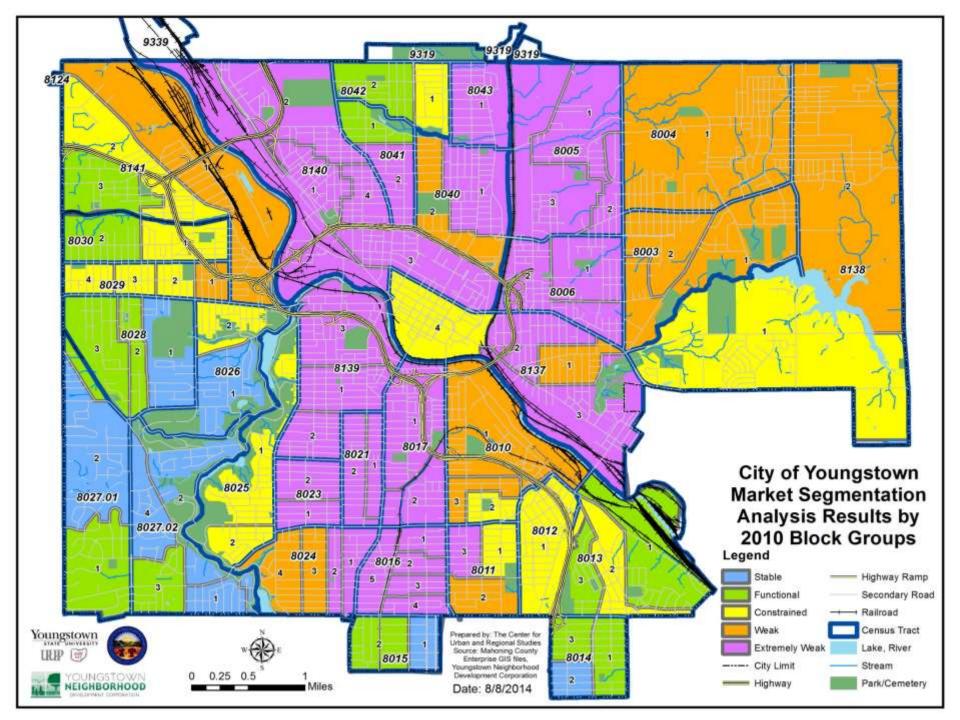
**Tax Delinquency** – Mahoning County Auditor



#### Market Segmentation Variable Data - Youngstown, Ohio

Census Tract	2010 Census Vacancy Rate	2010-2012 Mortgage Ratio	2012 Sales Ratio	Me	10-2012 dian Sales Price	2010 % Owner Occupied	1990-2010 Change in % Owner Occupied	2012 YPD Calls / 1,000	2011 Poverty	1990-2010 Population Loss	2014 Land Bank Eligible
Tract 8003	15.9%	8%	3.3%	\$	10,630	73.0%	-8.6%	9.5	21.3%	-33.9%	35.0%
Tract 8004	18.6%	13%	2.0%	\$	13,387	76.0%	-4.0%	6.3	46.6%	-46.6%	51.3%
Tract 8005	25.3%	2%	3.3%	\$	9,309	33.4%	-6.5%	7.5	57.9%	-39,3%	42.0%
Tract 8006	21.9%	0%	3.5%	\$	5,750	49.4%	-7.2%	19.2	42.6%	-44,7%	37.4%
Tract 8010	23.4%	7%	7.0%	\$	12,028	56.3%	-20.0%	6.8	42.8%	-34.2%	31.6%
Tract 8011	19.0%	3%	7.5%	\$	15,364	56.4%	-20.5%	15.0	37.4%	-15.1%	22.7%
Tract 8012	15.6%	8%	6.5%	\$	18,251	72.9%	-8.8%	6.8	39.6%	-24.6%	25.1%
Tract 8013	15.4%	6%	6.7%	\$	18,600	66.2%	-14.3%	4.3	39.4%	-22.3%	17.3%
Tract 8014	9.9%	18%	5.0%	\$	31,131	85.8%	-4.4%	6.2	5.0%	-20.7%	5.6%
Tract 8015	14.4%	16%	6.8%	\$	26,120	71.6%	-6.8%	3.2	11.3%	-19.7%	12.3%
Tract 8016	32.1%	0%	9.0%	\$	9,327	41.2%	-24.9%	23.8	45.8%	-34.0%	43.7%
Tract 8017	25.7%	0%	4.1%	\$	6,027	59.1%	9.3%	17.5	53.6%	-59.4%	44.8%
Tract 8021	23.8%	0%	2.0%	\$	4,666	54.4%	4.4%	14.9	56.0%	-49.2%	50.2%
Tract 8023	30.5%	3%	3.2%	\$	8,202	63.3%	-1.8%	9.7	44.0%	-55.5%	51.7%
Tract 8024	28.4%	2%	5.4%	\$	11,261	45.4%	-9.9%	15.9	32.1%	-40.8%	42.5%
Tract 8025	18.7%	6%	5.3%	\$	19,048	65.6%	-2.9%	8.6	38.6%	-36.8%	26.0%
Tract 8026	14.6%	22%	5.6%	\$	30,097	73.8%	-9.6%	2.8	20.1%	-21.4%	13.0%
Tract 8027.01	6.1%	48%	4.1%	\$	52,657	61.1%	-4.6%	2.2	5.5%	-17.2%	3.8%
Tract 8027.02	7.0%	44%	4.7%	\$	51,958	84.9%	-6.4%	1,4	1.6%	-15.4%	4.5%
Tract 8028	10.2%	19%	5.4%	\$	27,078	78.9%	-9.5%	6.6	18.6%	-16.5%	9.4%
Tract 8029	17.1%	4%	5.9%	\$	17,043	61.2%	-13.6%	8.8	35.7%	-19.0%	18.0%
Tract 8030	12.0%	10%	5.5%	\$	22,019	74.1%	-12.3%	3.0	23.3%	-18.8%	13.6%
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Tract 8043	34.9%	0%	4.6%	\$	9,570	53.8%	3.2%	20.7	38.0%	-58.6%	47,6%
Tract 8137	17.1%	4%	3.1%	\$	6,067	40.5%	-7.3%	17.4	59.5%	-49.5%	39.2%
Tract 8138	18.7%	3%	2.7%	\$	23,341	48.7%	-13.8%	9.1	41.4%	-13.8%	41.6%
Tract 8139	23.8%	0%	2.4%	\$	6,231	55.3%	-8.1%	12.6	50.9%	-50.8%	47.3%
Tract 8140	23.3%	12%	2.9%	\$	13,939	40.0%	-7.5%	10.2	40.2%	-41.7%	26.8%
Tract 8141	14.4%	1%	4.8%	\$	15,739	40.6%	-13.2%	3.1	41.1%	-20.8%	26.8%
Youngstown	19.0%	11%	4.9%	\$	20,958	58.2%	-6.4%	9.6	33.8%	-30.0%	33.0%

Table 0.3 - Data for each variable by census tract



- Include four components, based on resident input
  - Housing and property issues
  - Infrastructure repair and maintenance
  - Crime and safety concerns
  - Economic development
- Establish goals and benchmarks for a fiveyear period
- Identifies action steps and responsible parties

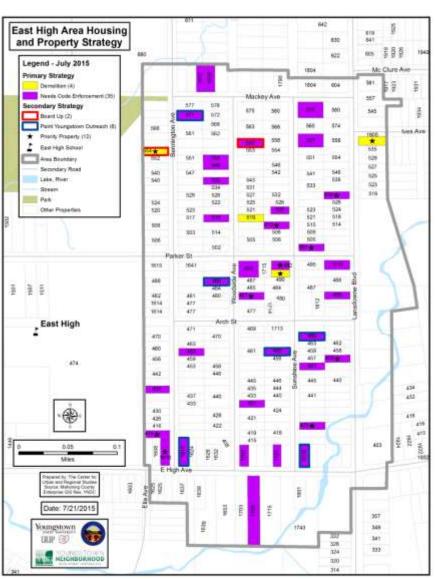


#### **Housing and Property Issues**

#### **Detailed survey of all parcels**

Strategies proposed for all properties with issues:

- Code enforcement
- Demolition
- Clean up / board up
- Paint Youngstown
- Preservation
- Grass Cutting
- Rental and vacant registration
- Section 8 inspection
- Foreclosure bond repair

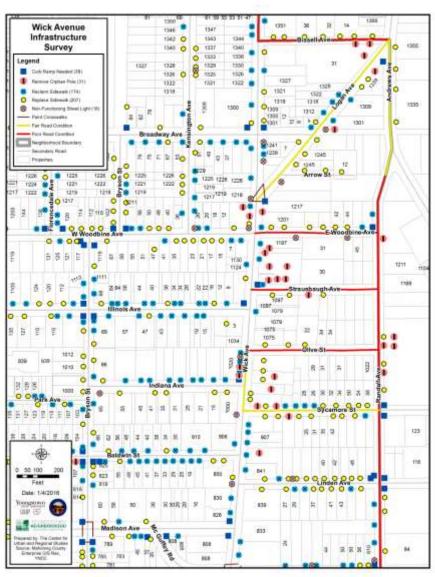


#### **Infrastructure Repair and Maintenance**

#### Detailed survey of all public right-of-ways

- Deteriorated sidewalks
- Potholes
- Orphan poles
- Unmarked crosswalks
- Missing street signs
- Road condition
- Non-functioning streetlights
- Missing curb ramps
- Dead street trees

Prioritized areas for repair and maintenance



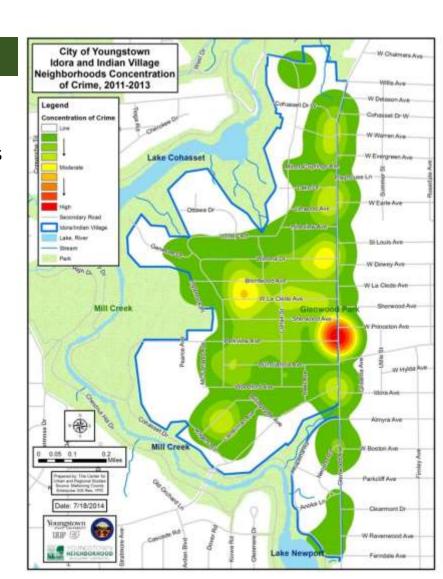
#### **Crime and Safety Concerns**

#### Analysis of crime data to reveal hotspots

- Address specific calls for service and crime reports
- Properties with multiple crime reports

#### Strategies for crime reduction

- Community police intervention
- Code enforcement sweeps
- Community engagement



#### **Economic Development**

Corridor property survey, infrastructure survey, and crime analysis

#### Strategies for corridor improvement

- Targeted programs for businesses
- Opportunity sites
- Properties for acquisition and assembly
- Environmental assessments
- Public art opportunities
- Streetscape enhancements
- Market data and targeted business types

#### MAHONING AVENUE CORRIDOR OPPORTUNITY SITES (cont'd)



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## NEIGHBORHOOD ACTION TEAMS

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- Created to implement Neighborhood Action Plans and Asset-based Micro Plans
  - Cross-sector collaboration
  - Residents
  - City staff
  - City councilperson
  - Land Bank staff
  - Institutional representatives
  - Community police
- Tracks progress toward achieving goals and benchmarks for the five-year implementation period
- Identifies action steps and responsible parties
- Increases communication, accountability, transparency and trust



### NEIGHBORHOOD ACTION TEAMS COMMUNITY PROJECTS













## NEIGHBORHOOD ACTION TEAMS

#### **Community Engagement**

#### **Residents**

- Identify and monitor issues
- Identify project sites
- Solicit funding
- Plan and participate in community workdays

- Report issues to appropriate entity and follow up
- Assist in acquiring and managing funding
- Communicate progress and results



## NEIGHBORHOOD ACTION TEAMS

#### **Community Engagement**

#### **Successful Community Engagement**

- Consistent, open communication
- Common goals
- Collaboration as a team
- Follow through
- Responsive to needs
- Realistic expectations



#### **Lincoln Knolls Priority Property Spreadsheet - Updated 3/21/2016**

РНОТО	ADDRES S	OWNER	OCCUPA NCY	REGISTRATI ON	LB ELIGIBLE	TAX DELINQUEN	TRANSF ER	
Noman par	133 Lilburne Dr	MAHONING COUNTY LAND REUTILIZATION CORPORATION	Vacant	No	Yes	Annual Tax \$2.96 Delinquent \$0	3/20/2015	
	98 Lilburne Dr	MAHONING COUNTY LAND REUTILIZATION CORPORATION	Vacant	No	Yes	Annual Tax \$2.36 Delinquent \$0	3/20/2015	
	85 Rutledge Dr	MAHONING COUNTY LAND REUTILIZATION CORPORATION	Vacant	No	Yes	Annual Tax \$2.96 Delinquent \$0	7/10/2015 \$0	
	107 Duncon La	SMITH CORY ADDISON 107 DUNCAN LN YOUNGSTOWN, OH 44505	tacseV	No	No	Annual Tax- \$685.24 Dolinquent Taxec \$660.74	CLARK ONE INVESTME MTS, 10/22/2012, \$4,250	
	2389 Oak St	RICHARDS BARBARA L 2389 OAK ST YOUNGSTOWN, OH 44505	Vacant	No	Yes	Annual Tax \$474.20 Delinquent Taxec \$616.19	RICHARDS BARBARA L,5/1/2009, \$0	
	2 Fincastle	BOATWRITGHT  DARREN A &  BOATWRIGHT  WANDA M  2 FINCASTLE  LANE  YOUNGSTOWN,  OH 44505	Vacant	No	Yes	Annual Tax \$423.42 Delinquent \$597.70	1/18/1396 \$11,000	

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CONDITION- YNDC	CONDITION - C.E.	STRATEG Y	HISTORY	STATUS	NOTES
trash/debris and dumping on the property, overgrown vegetation; and peeling paint on trim.		Demolition - County Land Bank	October 2014 Workday Boardup and Clean Up	ENTERED LAND BANK DEMOLITION PROCESS 08/18/2014 - To be demolished Summer of 2016	
Overgrown vegetation; peeling paint on garage; garage, gutters and soffits in disrepair; Porch roof collapsing.		Demolition - County Land Bank	October 2014 Workday Boardup and Clean Up	ENTERED LAND BANK DEMOLITION PROCESS 08/18/2014 - To be demolished Summer of 2016	
Overgrown vegetation; roof damage; shed and downspout in disrepair; trash/debris; nonsecure.		Demolition - County Land Bank	Revitalize Team Boardup and Clean Up	ENTERED LAND BANK DEMOLITION PROCESS 08/28/2014 - To be demolished Summer of 2016	
Severely deteriorated roof and coffite; peeling paint on foundation		Demolition - City	Revitalize team clean and board up.ENTERED CITY  DEMOLITION Process 03/02/15 Demolition condemnation form iccued 4/30/2015;	Demoliched	Select new priority property
Trach/debric; uncecure window(c); peeling paint on trim; overgrown vegetation.	Siding Doficioncy - Miccing Material	Code Enforcment	Revitalize Team Boardup and Clean Up. ENTERED CITY. DEMOLITION PROCESS on 3/2/2015; owner appealed Rase or Repair order	Demoliched	Select new priority property
Overgrown vegetation; broken windows.		Demolition - County Land Bank		County Land Bank initiated tax foreclosure in January 2016	

## NEIGHBORHOOD ACTION TEAMS LAND BANK

#### **Priority Properties - Demolition**

- Obtain funding
- Solicit donations
- Complete foreclosures
- Board up properties
- Execute demolition contracts
- Green lots post-demolition



## NEIGHBORHOOD ACTION TEAMS LAND BANK & YNDC

**Priority Properties - Rehabilitation** 

#### **Land Bank**

- Complete foreclosure
- Transfer property to YNDC

- Identify properties
- Secure and maintain property through foreclosure and rehab process
- Complete rehabilitation
- Identify owner-occupant buyer



### NEIGHBORHOOD ACTION TEAMS CITY OF YOUNGSTOWN

**Priority Properties – Code Enforcement** 

#### **City of Youngstown**

- Conduct inspections
- Notice owners
- Hold appeals hearings
- Hold prosecutor hearings
- Achieve compliance

- Identify properties with exterior violations
- Communicate results of code enforcement to residents
- Identify alternative strategies





### NEIGHBORHOOD ACTION TEAMS CITY OF YOUNGSTOWN

**Priority Properties – Spot Blight** 

#### **City of Youngstown**

- Send initial notice
- Obtain appraisal
- Make offer
- Acquire property
- Transfer to YNDC

- Identify blighted, non-tax delinquent property on a stable block
- Complete rehabilitation
- Identify owner-occupant buyer



## ASSET-BASED MICRO PLANS

- Strategy for weak-market communities
- Small, defined area, centered on a community asset
  - School
  - Park/playground
  - Library
  - Church
- Provides a starting point for broader neighborhood improvement
- Asset can be used to leverage funding and support



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## ASSET-BASED MICRO PLANS

#### **Taft Micro Plan Implementation**

- Community workday to clean up 13 vacant properties on MLK Day 2015
- Safe Routes to School grant of \$200,000 awarded for infrastructure improvements
- 18 vacant structures demolished by 910 Airlift Wing of the Air Force Reserve
- DOJ Byrne Criminal Justice Innovation grant awarded to develop a crime reduction strategy
- Taft Promise Neighborhood initiative established to increase educational outcomes of students and improve neighborhood conditions
- 4H garden expanded, as a collaboration between block watch, school, and Land Bank



## THANK YOU

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