

Neighborhood Prosperity Initiative and Citywide NED Update

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### **Policy Context**



**Neighborhood Economic Development** 





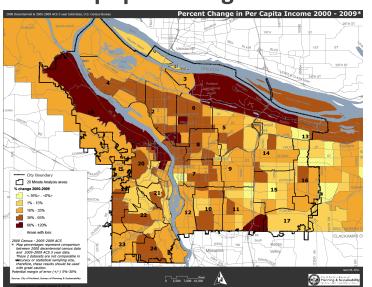
### Policy Context: Our Challenges

 Communities of color disproportionately make lower incomes

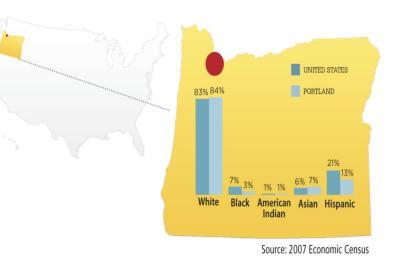
Jobs growing in the west side; poverty increasing in the east side

Development can accelerate gentrification pressures

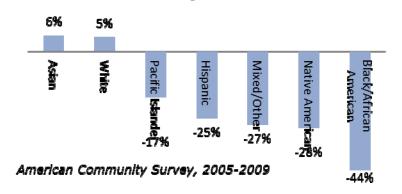
Neighborhoods strained by rapid low income population growth



BUSINESS OWNERSHIP BY GROUP: PORTLAND and U.S.



### Income Differential by Race and Ethnicity in Portland







## NED Accomplishments: Years 1 & 2

#### **Community Capacity**

- ✓ Established NED Leadership Group (Nov 2011)
- ✓ Supported Portland Main Street, providing grants and training to 3 districts resulting in 35 net new businesses and over 125 new jobs
- ✓ Launched Neighborhood Prosperity Initiative: created 6 new URAs, provided districts training and start up grants to hire managers and get districts started
- ✓ Venture Portland provided over 600 hours of technical assistance to BDAs
- ✓ Supported 24 established CBOs with Community Livability Grants-\$768,495 FY11-12 and 12-13 to date

#### **Neighborhood Business Growth**

- ✓ Micro & Small Business Technical Assistance Program supported over 400 small businesses
- ✓ Partnered with Craft3to make \$1.5M in working capital available
- ✓ Assisted more than 500 businesses in Portland
- ✓ Partnered with 174 businesses to improve the appearance of their storefront -\$2.938 million
- ✓ Made 24 businesses more sustainable through Green Features Grants -\$768,495

#### **Strengthen Commercial Districts**

- ✓ Aligned existing PDC Programs with NED, equity-based strategy
- ✓ Partnering with Hacienda CDC to establish a *mercado* in Lents Town Center
- ✓ Completed targeted revitalization of downtown Kenton
- ✓ Completed Martin Luther King Jr Blvd Gateway Improvement and Heritage Markers –Summer 2012
- ✓ Streetscape improvements on Foster Road in Lents Town Center - completion expected Summer 2013
- ✓ Lents Entryway project completion expected Summer 2013
- ✓ Constructing Jefferson Frontage Improvements in Interstate URA completion expected Summer 2013

#### **Create Economic Opportunity**

- ✓ Helped over 1000 adults and young people with job training
- √39% MWESB, 21% apprenticeship hours, 26% apprenticeship diversity in PDC-funded construction
- ✓ Providing technical assistance regarding development options to 15 long-time property owners in N/NE and East Portland
- ✓ Hosted the East Portland Summit (October 2012)
- √ Hosting the N/NE Summit (May 2013)





## NPI Districts





## Neighborhood Prosperity Initiative (NPI)

# Community Driven, Community Implemented:

- Builds on Main Street model
- "On the ground" district staff
- PDC in dual role as grant administrator & partner
- Tax Increment Revenue is one of a number of important tools







### NPI Districts: Year One Accomplishments

- Organizational Development
  - Hired district managers
  - Opened district offices
- Business Development
  - Connecting businesses to resources
  - Business surveys underway
- District Planning & Improvements
  - Planning year 1 projects underway
- Branding & Marketing
  - Logos, websites, videos
- Community Engagement & Support
  - Raised local funds
  - Building local awareness and involvement
- PDC-sponsored training







#### Lessons Learned

- Each district has different needs and stakeholders – need tailored approach
- Multicultural, multilingual competency essential
- Start small and build capacity together
- Local fundraising is very challenging and time consuming
- No quick fixes to long term challenges
- Districts can make great things happen











**Cully Blvd Alliance** 





### **Expected Outcomes**

#### **Outcomes:**

- Increased visibility of districts
- Strengthening existing businesses
- Filling vacant spaces
- Growing jobs within

#### **Metrics:**

- •Community participation at least 3000 volunteer hours per district
- •Net business growth at least 2 per district
- •Net job growth at least 4 per district
- Stronger business districts





### **NPI** Partners

42<sup>nd</sup> Ave. \* Cully Blvd. \* Jade \* Rosewood \* Division – Midway \* Parkrose



Reducing Poverty, Building Prosperity.





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