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overview

The LPH Resurgency Plan

Since 2015, the community of Lower Price Hill (LPH) has made a deliberate effort to set forth its vision for the future of the neighborhood. While the neighborhood of LPH has been planned several times over the years, no past plan has had the reach, engagement and implementation as this. Planned by the people for the people, while guided by a variety of stakeholders throughout the City of Cincinnati, the LPH Plan is truly a living document that provides as an example the importance of not just planning, but acting.

Starting in 2010, Oyler School began its transformation into Oyler Community Learning Center. With the renovation of the facility, the addition of a high school and several community-driven partnerships co-located inside the school, Oyler quickly became the national community learning center (CLC) model. With an initial investment of over \$23 Million, Oyler CLC continues to serve as the catalyst for LPH's revitalization and reinforces the philosophy that the success of the school and the success of the neighborhood are inextricably linked.

The investments made in LPH do not stop with the addition of Oyler CLC; since its completion, there have been an estimated \$100 Million of investments in the neighborhood, with the LPH Plan serving as the impetus for many of them. Furthermore, there is an estimated \$28 Million of planned future investments to be made in the neighborhood by 2022, again all guided by the LPH Plan.

Completed Projects Since 2010:

Warsaw Federal Skatepark

8th Street Viaduct **BLOC Arts Building BLOC Screen Print Shop BLOC Sports Performance Gym BLOC Wood Shop** Cincinnati Early Learning Center Nature Playscape Community & Education Matters Campus Community Matter's Washing Well Consolidated Metal Products Facility Evans Field & Playground Habitat for Humanity Home Hatmaker Park Joe Williams Family Center McAndrews Glass Warehouse Nehemiah Manufacturing Facility Oyler House Oyler Community Learning Center Sassafrass Community Garden Waldvogel Viaduct

Planned Future Projects:

BLOC Business Incubator
Habitat for Humanity Homes
LPH Riverfront Bike Trail & Park
Meiser's Market Retail
McAndrews Apartments & Retail
McAndrews State Avenue Parking Lots
8th & State Streetscape
Price Hill Will Homesteading
OPieO Commissary
OTRCH Affordable Housing & Retail
The Model Group Affordable Housing & Retail
Tri-State Wholesale Building Supplies Facility

The following chapters provide necessary context regarding the neighborhood of LPH, as well as an overview of the community engagement process undertaken for this Plan. This deep-dive process resulted in the 5 key initiative areas seen below. These initiatives provide a clear vision for the future of the neighborhood, as well as lay the foundation for the goals and strategies enumerated in later chapters. Acting as a blueprint for future development, The LPH Resurgency Plan shows a bright, vibrant future for the LPH community.



- + Stability Stable housing market with various supports for long-time residents.
- + Preservation Premier historic district with a focus on rehabilitation and infill development.
- + Affordability Variety of affordable housing options that achieve vibrancy and dignity in the local housing market.



- + Gateway to the West Premier business district with a focus on local shops and services.
- + Jobs Employment and training services for local residents.
- + Network Strong relationships between the business and local community.



- + Clean Readily available public services that promote cleanliness, education and local support.
- + Green Accessible greenspace adapted to the urban environment.
- + Infill Vacant lots converted into community greenspace.



- + Play Family-friendly recreation and enrichment options available for all ages.
- + Price Landing Park Premier river-side park.
- + Walkability Multi-modal access to outdoor recreation areas.



- + Security Safe neighborhood with a positive reputation throughout the City.
- + Walkability Multi-modal access throughout the neighborhood.
- + Environment Clean environment that promotes healthy, residential living.

With these 5 initiatives in mind, suggested future land use changes are detailed to the right of this page. These changes, guided by the community during the planning process, align with the overall vision, goals and strategies of the LPH Resurgency Plan and should be taken into consideration when any new development, zone change or policy is being considered.

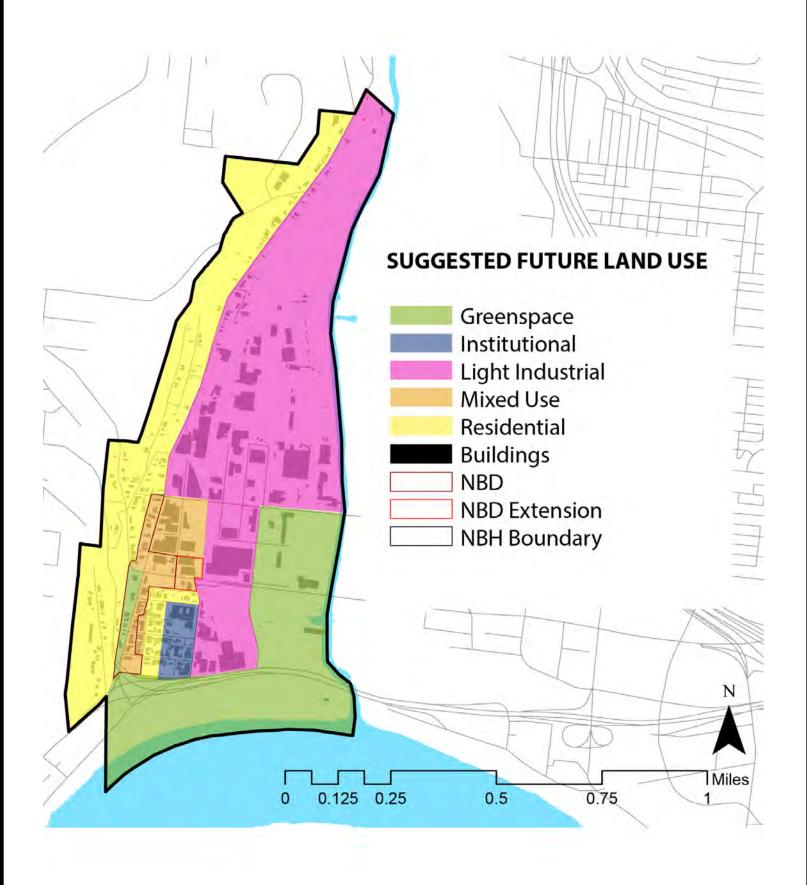
future land use

Guidelines for Future Development

Lower Price Hill is a dense, urban residential neighborhood that contains a nationally registered historic district of predominately Italianate style buildings. It also contains a large industrial corridor located on the east side of the neighborhood boundary. The *Suggested Future Land Use* map seen on the next page is based on feedback provided by the LPH community and should be used when making future investment and zoning decisions. The purpose of these changes is to promote mixed use, pedestrian friendly development, while at the same time encouraging light industry to come back to the edges of the neighborhood. In particular, the *Suggested Future Land Use* map incorporates the following changes:

- 1. Prioritize pedestrian friendly mixed use development in the neighborhood business district;
- 2. Extend the neighborhood business district boundary on 8th Street from Depot Street to Burns Street;
- 3. Prioritize residential development in the neighborhood's historic core, as well as north on State Avenue;
- 4. Only allow light uses that are deemed environmentally safe in the neighborhood's industrial corridor; and,
- 5. Direct development to the core of the neighborhood and return the west side of State Avenue from River Road to 8th Street to hillside.

In the past, the LPH community has worked successfully with the City of Cincinnati's Department of City Planning and Department of Buildings and Inspections in regards to necessary zoning changes. For example, River - West worked to rezone the area adjacent to the river from *river-front manufacturing* to *riverfront recreation* for the future Price Landing Park and the Community Learning Center Institute was successful in incorporating community learning center development into the zoning code. The community looks forward to working with these departments again in the future to change zoning and policies as necessary in order to align with the future land use suggestions in this Plan.



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history + past plans

Lower Price Hill's Legacy

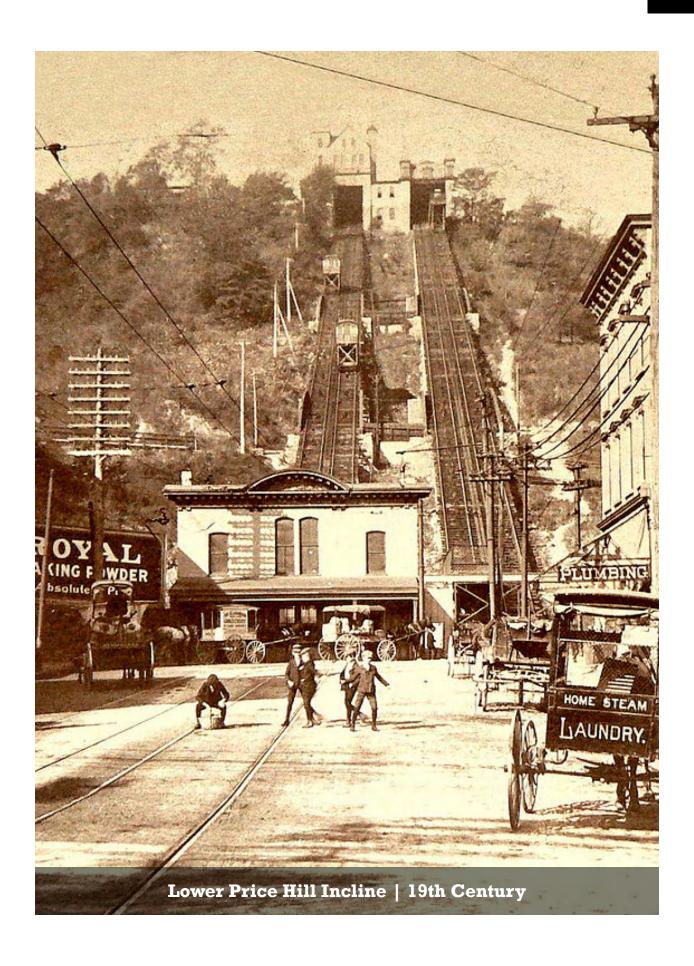
Founded in 1807 by Evans Price, Lower Price Hill was originally a burgeoning company town named *Prospect*. By the turn of the century, Prospect was home to thousands of residents, as well as the famous *Price Hill Incline*, whereby a trolley transported passengers and cargo from the base of the neighborhood to the top of what is now known as the Incline District. During Price's time, the community boomed with industry, restaurants and churches, few of which are still active today.

After World War II, Appalachian residents began to settle in the area. During this time, the neighborhood continued to lead in industrial pursuits and was referred to as 8th and State. Still today, the neighborhood's Appalachian history plays an important role for the community. In the past two decades, the neighborhood has seen an increase in diversity through the addition of African American and Latino residents.

Similar to other Cincinnati neighborhoods, suburban sprawl and economic decline had devastating effects on the neighborhood. While once a neighborhood secured in the middle class, today LPH is one of the poorest neighborhoods in the City of Cincinnati and since the 1980's has seen a severe decline in population, businesses and investment.

While facing decline and disenfranchisement, LPH has always held onto its pride with tenacity. This is clear in past neighborhood plans, dating back as far as 1978. In fact, LPH was one of the first neighborhoods to ever be planned by the City of Cincinnati. Focusing on commercial, residential and industrial expansion, LPH's first plan echoes priorities still in play today. Planned again in 1986 and 2003 with a focus on urban renewal of industrial sites, the neighborhood's decline was laid bare.

It wasn't until 2015 that a plan was again created for the neighborhood, this time a combined effort by Price Hill Will regarding Lower, East and West Price Hill. Focused on the seven themes - housing, arts + culture, community, economic development + business districts, healthy + safe, schools + youth + teens, and transportation - the Price Hill Plan, along with Plan Cincinnati created in 2012, laid the groundwork for the LPH Resurgency Plan.



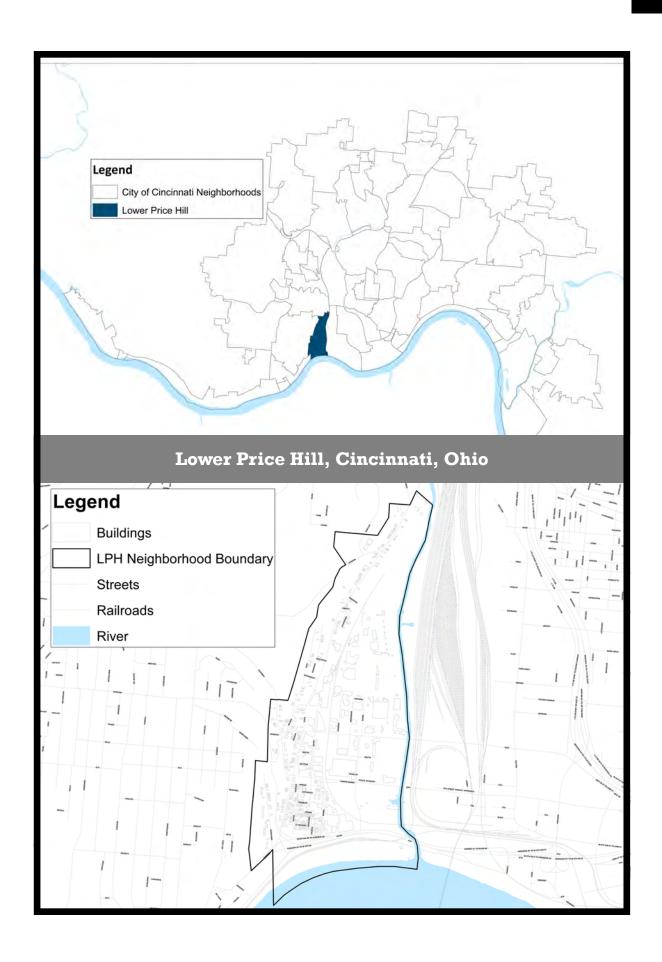
current conditions

Snapshot of the Neighborhood

The neighborhood of LPH is currently working to reverse a decades-long downward trajectory caused by disinvestment and economic decline. While still a unique enclave, this historic neighborhood struggles with severe poverty, population loss and unemployment. Looking to US Census Data, LPH's **population** declined from 2000 to 2010 by an estimated 137 people, totaling just **1,173**. Caucasians made up the majority of the population, with African Americans and Latinos in the minority. During this same time period, **unemployment** increased from 9% to **12**% and, according to the American Community Survey 5 year estimate, has more than doubled today. **Vacancy** rates severely increased in 2010 to an estimated **41**%, likely due to the national housing recession, but have since slowly started to come down. While **poverty** decreased during this time from 56% to **42**%, the rate is still almost double that of the City of Cincinnati's poverty rate during the same time period.

While these numbers are alarming, there are some promising trends. **Homeownership** rates increased from 20% in 2000 to **27%** in 2010 and **property values** also increased, from an estimated \$30,000 in 2000 to **\$65,000** in 2010. Finally, **median household income** increased slightly, from \$13,000 in 2000 to **\$15,000** in 2010. Ultimately, it will be important to follow demographic trends and update this information when data from the United States 2020 Census are released.

Quantitative data, while essential, do not provide the complete picture of the neighborhood and there is much to celebrate. LPH has been working to attract comprehensive development, from affordable housing to recreation and economic development, and from 2010 - today the neighborhood has benefited from millions of dollars of investment and more to come in the future. Development highlights include the transformation of Oyler School to Oyler CLC, which includes a full-service health hub open to students and community alike, an early learning center starting from 6 weeks of age - 5 years, and Oyler House, which serves as an extension of the Oyler Campus. Furthermore, Community Matters has renovated their campus and opened the Washing Well, an affordable laundromat. The Joe Williams Family Center, operated by Santa Maria, was also renovated thanks to Community Matters. BLOC Ministries has renovated several properties focused on youth engagement and business incubation, while the City of Cincinnati has greatly invested in surrounding infrastructure. Most recently, LPH welcomed Nehemiah Manufacturing and McAndrew's Glass to LPH, both offering high quality second chance employment opportunities. The neighborhood looks forward to future affordable housing developments by Habitat for Humanity, Price Hill Will and Over-the-Rhine Community Housing, as well as economic development projects by McAndrew's Glass, The Model Group, Price Hill Will and Tri-State Wholesales **Building Supplies.**

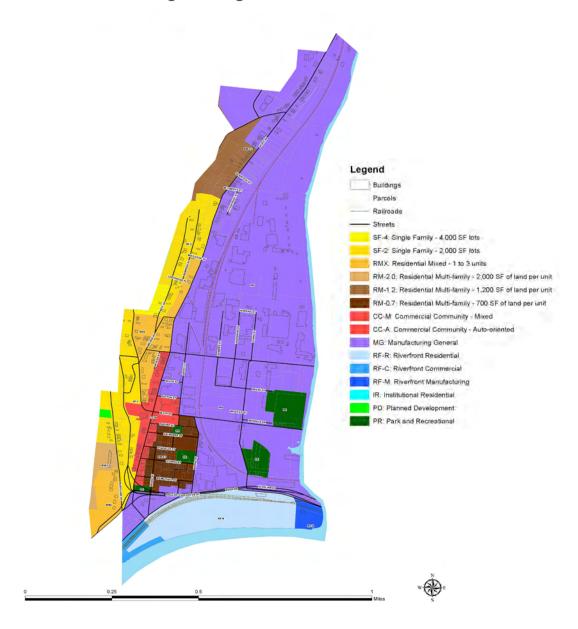


existing zoning

Lay of the Land

Current zoning in LPH favors high intensity industry, dense urban housing and auto-oriented commercial development. The map below shows existing zoning in LPH, with accompany zoning definitions detailed on the following page. Suggestions for future land use aligned to the community's vision are provided in the final chapter of this Plan, *Next Steps*, on page 62.

Existing Zoning: Lower Price Hill



- SF-4: Allows for moderately high density single-family housing. The minimum lot size is 4,000 square feet.
- SF-2: Allows for high-density, small lot, single-family developments. The minimum lot size is 2,000 square feet.

RMX: Intended to create, maintain and enhance areas of the City that have a mix of lot sizes and house types at moderate intensities (one to three dwelling units). Existing multi-family buildings of four or more units are acknowledged but new construction is not permitted.

RM-2.0: Intended to provide for a medium density mix of residential housing predominantly duplexes and multi-family on lots that have already been platted. The scale of buildings is generally similar to a large single-family home on a small lot. Where land is assembled, the same scale should be maintained. The minimum land area for every dwelling unit is 2,000 square feet.

RM-1.2: Intended to provide for mixed residential uses at moderately high densities. This is an intense district with an urban character. The minimum land area for every dwelling unit is 1,200 square feet.

RM-0.7: Intended to provide for residential multi-family development. The minimum land area for every dwelling unit is 700 square feet.

CC-M: Intended to provide for a mix of the pedestrian and auto-oriented development. Older, pedestrian-oriented buildings may be intermixed with newer, auto-oriented uses.

CC-A: Intended for areas that provide for easy automobile access. Large buildings are located on the site with parking in front. Lots associated with shopping centers often contain auto-oriented businesses. Performance standards are intended to mitigate the impact of the parking lots and buffer adjacent residential areas.

MG: Creates, preserves and enhances areas that are appropriate for a wide variety of supporting and related commercial and manufacturing establishments that may have the potential to generate off-site impacts. Future development will accommodate heavy industrial and manufacturing uses, transportation facilities, warehousing and distribution and similar and related supporting uses. These uses typically require sites with good transportation access. Uses that may inhibit industrial development are prohibited.

RF-R: Optomizes the scenic beauty of the riverfront while mixing residential uses into current public and semi-public land uses and to enhance the stability and revitalization of adjoining neighborhoods.

RF-C: Provides sites for commercial and manufacturing uses that require river access, as well as provides a buffer between the high intensity RF-M riverfront industrial and the more mixed-use RF-R areas. Intended to provide needed services for both areas while protecting adjoining residential neighborhoods, public parks and recreation facilities from the effects of more intense commercial and industrial uses.

RF-M: Provides sites for heavy industrial uses that require river access, maintain the economic vitality of the industrial riverfront and minimize any adverse impacts resulting from such activity on residential, park, recreation and commercial recreation facilities.

IR: Provides appropriate zoning for major institutions and support services that will allow for continuation and expansion without adverse impacts on adjacent residential neighborhoods. IR provides sufficient buffering between institutional properties and adjacent residential neighborhoods, as well as promotes the orderly development of institutional and residential land uses. Finally, IR establishes appropriate standards for reviewing proposals for new development of institutional uses and for expansion of existing institutional uses.

PD: Establishes a procedure for the development of land in order to allow for a more efficient and economic development of property than ordinarily permitted by conventional zoning and subdivision regulations. PD ensures orderly and thorough planning and review procedures that lead to quality design and development, as well as encourages creativity in developments by allowing greater flexibility in access, light, open space and amenities.

PR: Preserves, protects and enhances a system of public parks, parkways, greenspace, recreation areas, natural and scenic areas, and protects sensitive natural resource areas.

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process

Establishing a Voice for the Community



Bringing together neighborhood residents, business owners, various stakeholders, Oyler students, staff and partners, the LPH planning process began in early 2015. Structured as a series of engagement workshops focused on asset based planning, the community gathered together under Oyler's roof to express their hopes and dreams, while formulating their vision for the future of the neighborhood. Over a series of formal and informal meetings, an estimated 164 people participated in the creation of this Plan.

Using inquiry based mapping, LPH's vision as the Gateway to the West was further clarified, listing initiatives, goals and implementation strategies that aim to create a thriving, healthy and vibrant community that anyone would be proud to call home. After initiatives and goals were identified, implementation teams were set up to put the plan into action. These implementation teams still gather today, pushing forward strategies outlined in future chapters of this Plan. Overall, these implementation teams have been key to the Plan's success, as not only have they kept momentum among participants by regularly sharing updates and wins, this strategy also allows for continued engagement and feedback as the Plan progresses.

The following pages describe the engagement process, as well as the community's vision, initiatives and goals in detail. From there, implementation strategies aligned to neighborhood feedback are explored.

inquiry based mapping

Assigning Community Feedback to Geographic Locations

At the first kickoff meeting, participants were introduced to the purpose of the planning process and reviewed the history of the neighborhood. Current demographic trends and other relevant information was shared, such as crime and housing statistics. After reviewing baseline information, residents engaged in an asset based community mapping activity in order to better understand what resources where currently available to the neighborhood. This asset map can be found in the *Appendix* on page 77 of this Plan.

The next series of meetings consisted of an inquiry based mapping activity, the exercise of which can be found in the appendix of this Plan on pages 70-71. Breaking the room into several groups, each with a large map of LPH, the facilitator asked a series of questions with the aim of gathering as much initial feedback as possible from participants in order to begin to formulate the neighborhood's vision, initiatives, goals and priorities.

Starting with strengths and assets, participants identified the very best of LPH by marking the heart of the neighborhood, places frequented, fun places and favorite places. Moving on to areas in need of improvement, participants marked places in the neighborhood people avoided due to safety concerns, as well as places in need of beautification, and closed businesses that are missed by the community. The activity ends with participants providing their own ideas for what would make the ideal neighborhood. After gathering all the maps and digitizing the feedback provided, a singular vision for the future of the neighborhood began to form.

The following pages detail direct feedback given by the community and culminate into the *LPH Land Use Concept Map*, initiatives and goals.

WELL-LIKED PLACES

Well-Liked Places highlights businesses and places in the neighborhood that community members value, frequent often, and regularly engage with. These are the leading organizations in the community that residents prioritize. To get to the core of this subject, three separate questions were asked:

- 1) What do you consider the heart of the neighborhood to be?
- 2) What is your favorite place in LPH? and,
- 3) Where do you go for fun in LPH?

The answers to these questions, not surprisingly, overlapped. From there, safety information was overlaid to understand whether these places of value were being adequately protected and served.





HEART + FAVORITE + FUN PLACES

The heart of the neighborhood was overwhelmingly considered to be Oyler School, with 7 groups out of 10 labeling Oyler as LPH's heart. Shortly following was LPH Community School (identified by 5 groups) and Santa Maria Services (identified by 3 groups). One group each labeled Hatmaker Park, the Lower Price Hill Community Garden and the Price Hill Health Clinic.



SAFE PLACES

Safe places highlighted in the neighborhood generally followed well-liked places, such as Oyler School, LPH Community School, Santa Maria Community Services and several churches.



UNSAFE PLACES

CRIME

The intersection of Storrs Street and Neave Street (known as "The Four Corners") was overwhelmingly listed as the most unsafe place in the neighborhood. One group also noted feeling unsafe under the 8th street viaduct. The other two major unsafe places listed were Hatmaker Park and the Sprayground – which, troublesomely, were also listed as favorite, fun, or community heart locations. Essentially, while the community values these places and regularly uses them, residents do not feel safe doing so.

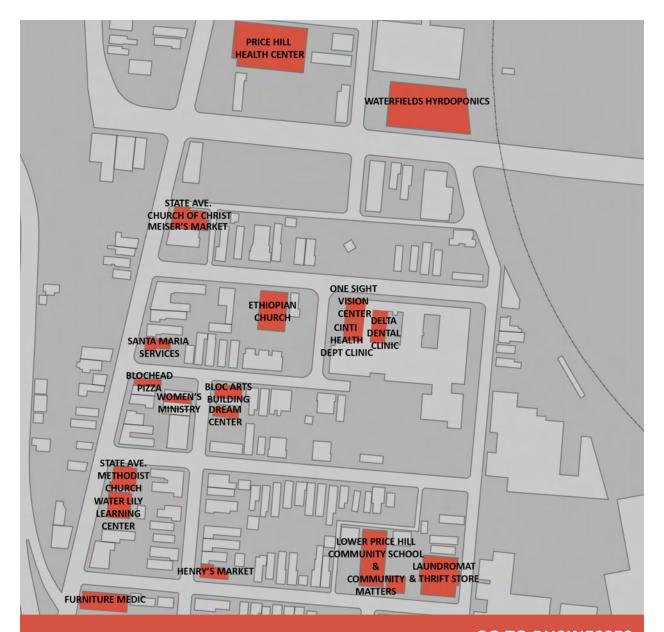
TRAFFIC & PEDESTRIAN SAFETY

This highlights where people felt unsafe due to high volume or high speeds of traffic. Several pedestrian crossing points were noted at 8th and State, as those are high-traffic commuter roads. Other traffic problem areas highlighted were around Oyler CLC and the LPH Community School. This is problematic, given students walking to or from school.

THE BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT

These questions sought to make sense of the businesses and services that the people of LPH regularly go to or would like to have, and where these are located, or could be located, in the future.





GO TO BUSINESSES

Participants identified businesses regularly visited, which revealed how much the community values its corner stores and independent businesses. Repeatedly in the mapping exercise process, residents voiced the need for more healthy food options in the area, and they expressed concerns about neighborhood staples (like Henry's or Meiser's) going out of business. Other frequently-visited businesses were service-related, such as the Price Hill Health Clinic, Santa Maria Services, or the Clinic at Oyler. Blochead Pizza (now closed) was the business residents visited most frequently, identified by 8 out of 10 groups.



CLOSED BUSINESSES

Most closed businesses people miss are those that provided entertainment or recreation opportunities to the people of LPH. Paradise Restaurant, a family restaurant that was on the corner of 8th and State, was most-often identified, by 5 of 10 groups. Pony Keg was identified by 3 groups, and the Boys and Girls Club and the outdoor pool at Oyler were each marked by 2 groups. Other less-often identified businesses included a shoe store, beauty shop, a dollar store, gas station, and a laundromat.



PROPOSED BUSINESS CORRIDOR

Nearly all of the proposed locations for future new businesses filled in the historic business corridors that used to exist along 8th and State. As evidenced by the location of closed businesses, these streets used to be the neighborhood's bustling business district — and residents want those businesses to return. Toward the southern end of the neighborhood along River Road, one group proposed larger office buildings.

RESIDENTIAL LIFE

This section sought to capture elements most directly related to quality of life: i.e., what amenities might exist for residents to enrich their lives above and beyond necessary services or safety.





PREFERRED HOUSING SITES

While LPH has a much higher proportion of rental properties than owner-occupied homes, a high priority for residents was, first, to increase homeownership rates, and, second, to increase affordable rental opportunities in the neighborhood, ideally focused on infill and rehab developments in the historic district.



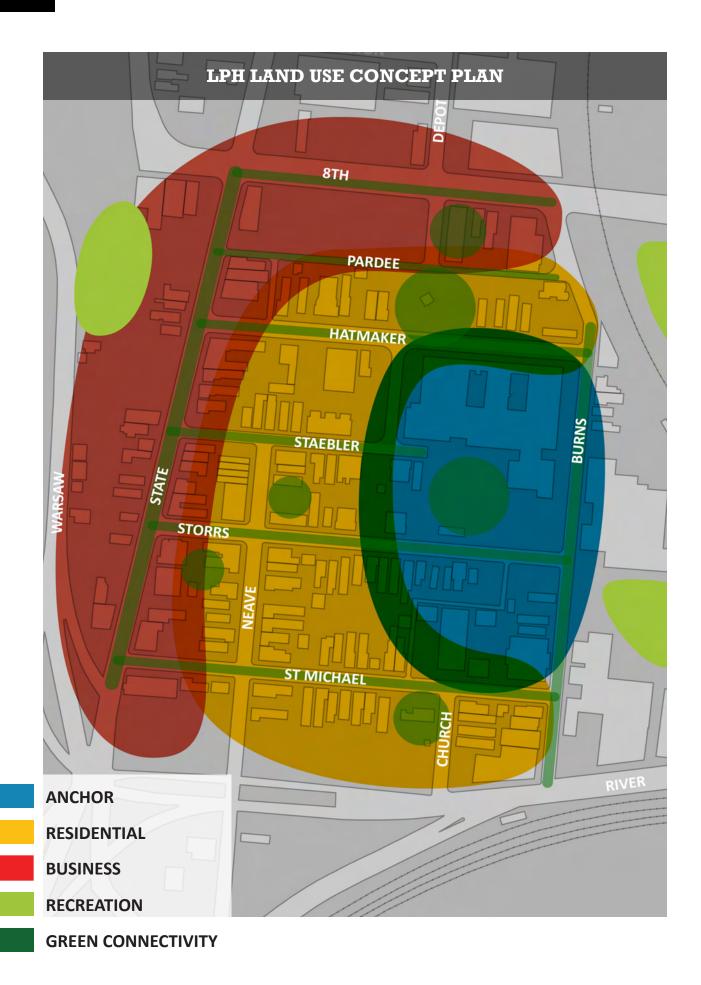
PREFERRED RECREATION SITES

Opportunities for outdoor recreation are two-fold: the residents suggested several smaller park areas within the neighborhood, as well as larger recreation areas at the edges of the neighborhood. In the northwest corner along State, one group suggested a Recreation Center or gym (recently added by BLOC Ministries on State Avenue). In the southeast corner in a warehouse area, one group suggested a skate park (a recent addition at Evans Field through the City of Cincinnati's Neighborhood Enhancement Program). To the northeast, the yellow squares indicate Evans Field, specifically the need for improved facilities (recently renovated by the Red's Community Fund, which added bleachers, fencing and new playground equipment) and a better connection to the sports fields.



PREFERRED BEAUTIFICATION SITES

Residents identified areas most in need of clean-up, greenery, and beautification in terms of vacant lots scattered throughout the neighborhood, as well as along streets. Most of the streets in the neighborhood were highlighted by at least one group, though State was identified the most. The two parks in the neighborhood, Hatmaker and the Sprayground, were also marked as in need of beautification.



neighborhood vision

Concept + Initiatives + Goals

After digitizing participants' maps, the LPH Land Use Concept Map was formed based off all feed-back provided. The anchor consists of the heart of the neighborhood, which includes Oyler Community Learning Center Institute, several parks and gardens, as well as Community and Education Matters. The second ring, residential, is where future infill homeownership and rental expansions should focus. The third ring, business, consists of the recently reinstated neighborhood business district and is where the community hopes local shops and services will be developed. Finally, recreation focuses on the outskirts of the neighborhood, while beautification was identified as a need throughout the neighborhood. Using this concept as a guide, the following five initatives were identified by participants.

HOUSING

A great place to call home.

LOCAL SHOPS + SERVICES

A vibrant place to call home.

CLEAN + GREEN

A beautiful place to call home.

RECREATION

A fun place to call home.

SAFETY

A secure place to call home.

The following pages review each initiative in more detail, as well as enumerate goals identified by the community. Implementation strategies are reviewed in the following chapter.



HOUSING INITIATIVE

A GREAT PLACE TO CALL HOME

Housing is identified as the highest priority of the LPH neighborhood with four main goals rising to the surface:

- Goal 1. Decrease downward residential mobility and transiency;
- Goal 2. Preserve historic neighborhood assets;
- Goal 3. Increase quality affordable homeownership opportunities;
- Goal 2. Increase quality affordable rental opportunities.

Residents express a desire for fewer transient residents and more homeownership supports, such as education and financial assistance, in the neighborhood. Furthermore, LPH residents seek to preserve historic assets by improving the condition of properties. Finally, LPH prioritizes mixed income, mixed generations, mixed use, and mixed owner and renter developments to achieve vibrancy, stability and dignity in the local housing market.

The above initiative and goals align with Plan Cincinnati's following themes:

LIVE

Create a more livable community.

Provide a full spectrum of housing options, and improve housing quality and affordability.

SUSTAIN

Preserve our natural and built environment.

COLLABORATE

Work in synergy with the Cincinnati community.

LOCAL SHOPS + SERVICES INITIATIVE

A VIBRANT PLACE TO CALL HOME

With the LPH neighborhood business district being the gateway to the community, as well as the thoroughfare that connects the west side and downtown, it is crucial to the redevelopment of the neighborhood and thus has been identified as the second priority with the following goals:

- Goal 1. Increase the number and variety of local businesses and services in the neighborhood;
- Goal 2. Provide job training and supportive services for neighborhood youth and residents;
- Goal 3. Increase the number of jobs available, prioritizing employment for neighborhood residents; and,
- Goal 4. Create a functioning neighborhood business alliance.

The above initiative and goals align with Plan Cincinnati's following themes:

COMPETE

Foster a climate conducive to growth, investment, stability, and opportunity.

CONNECT

Develop an efficient multi-modal transporation system that supports enighborhood vitality.

LIVE

Create a more livable community.

Provide a full spectrum of housing options, and improve housing quality and affordability.

SUSTAIN

Preserve our natural and built environment.

COLLABORATE

Work in synergy with the Cincinnati community.







CLEAN + GREEN INITIATIVE

A BEAUTIFUL PLACE TO CALL HOME

The third priority identified by the neighborhood is to create a Lower Price Hill that is clean, green and beautiful. Resident feedback highlights the basic need for clean-up and repair throughout the neighborhood, as well as improvements to parks, lighting, vacant lots and buildings. The ideal Lower Price Hill is lush with trees, gardens, and safe outdoor spaces for the community to gather. With this in mind, the following goals have been set:

- Goal 1. Increase the green canopy in the neighborhood;
- Goal 2. Maintain and expand local parks and community gardens;
- Goal 3. Decrease the number of vacant lots and buildings;
- Goal 4. Eliminate blight, litter and illegal dumping; and,
- Goal 5: Decrease crime around public assets.

The above initiative and goals align with Plan Cincinnati's following themes:

LIVE

Create a more livable community.

Provide a full spectrum of housing options, and improve housing quality and affordability.

SUSTAIN

Preserve our natural and built environment.

COLLABORATE

Work in synergy with the Cincinnati community.

RECREATION INITIATIVEA FUN PLACE TO CALL HOME

The fourth priority identifies providing residents of LPH fun recreational activities within the neighborhood, by building on existing services, hosting more enrichment activities throughout the neighborhood and creating safe passage to various outdoor assets.

- Goal 1. Maintain and expand community recreation areas;
- Goal 2. Complete Price Landing Park; and,
- Goal 3. Provide safe multi-modal access throughout the neighborhood, particularly to local park and recreation areas.

The above initiative and goals align with Plan Cincinnati's following themes:

LIVE

Create a more livable community.

Provide a full spectrum of housing options, and improve housing quality and affordability.

SUSTAIN

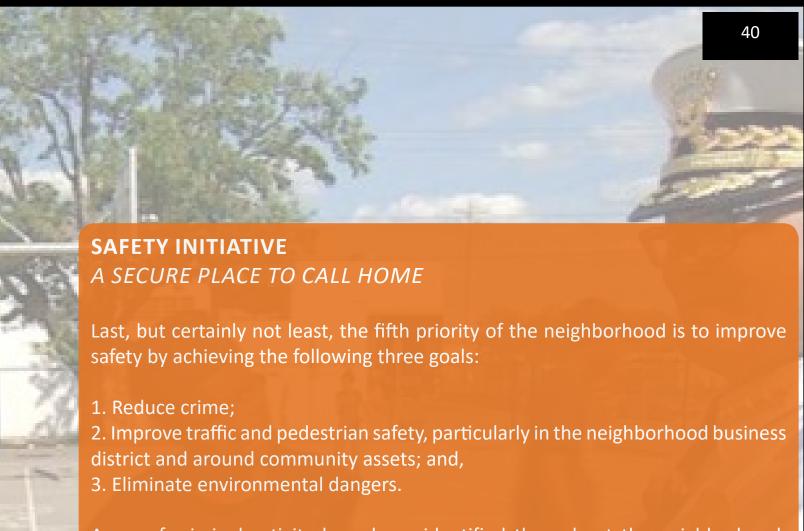
Preserve our natural and built environment.

COLLABORATE

Work in synergy with the Cincinnati community.







Areas of criminal activity have been identified throughout the neighborhood, while environmental dangers include traffic, air quality issues and the proximity to high intensity industry.

The above initiative and goals align with Plan Cincinnati's following themes:

COMPETE

Foster a climate conducive to growth, investment, stability, and opportunity.

CONNECT

Develop an efficient multi-modal transporation system that supports enighborhood vitality.

LIVE

Create a more livable community.

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SUSTAIN

Preserve our natural and built environment.

COLLABORATE

Work in synergy with the Cincinnati community.

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vision to reality

To plan is human, to implement, divine.

After gathering residents, business owners, youth and various LPH leaders and stakeholders to the table to provide feedback and flesh out common themes and goals, it was proposed by the LPH Community Council and the LPH Plan Steering Committee that these be translated into a cohesive implementation strategy to utilize for future development. Bringing the five initiatives identified by the community during the engagement process together - housing, local shops and services, clean and beautiful, recreation and safety - this chapter incorporates strategies that act as a blueporint in order to achieve the vision and goals set forth by the LPH community.



housing

A Great Place to Call Home

Addressing various housing challenges and opportunities in the neighborhood, strategies for residential development advocate for the following broken up into two phases:

Phase I:

- 1. Identify suitable partners to provide various homeownership, rental and utility supports;
- 2. Research design standards suitable for a historic district;
- Create design standards for future developers that match the urban historic character of the neighborhood;
- 4. Research neighborhood development best practices in order to define affordability and desirable mixed income balance;
- 5. Conduct a parking study to evaluate street parking in the historic district;
- 6. Identify suitable affordable single family housing development partners;
- 7. Identify, acquire and renovate vacant properties to provide affordable single family homeownership opportunities in the neighborhood's historic district;
- 8. Identify and acquire vacant lots for historically compatible new build single family homeownership opportunities in the neighborhood's historic district;
- 9. Identify suitable affordable multifamily housing development partners; and,
- 10. Identify, acquire and renovate vacant properties to provide affordable multifamily rental opportunities in the neighborhood's historic district.

Phase II:

- 1. Identify, acquire and renovate vacant properties to provide affordable single family homeownership opportunities north of 8th Street on State Avenue;
- 2. Identify and acquire vacant lots for new build single family homeownership opportunities north of 8th Street on State Avenue; and,
- 3. Identify, acquire and renovate vacant properties to provide affordable multifamily rental opportnities north of 8th Street on State Avenue.







local shops + services

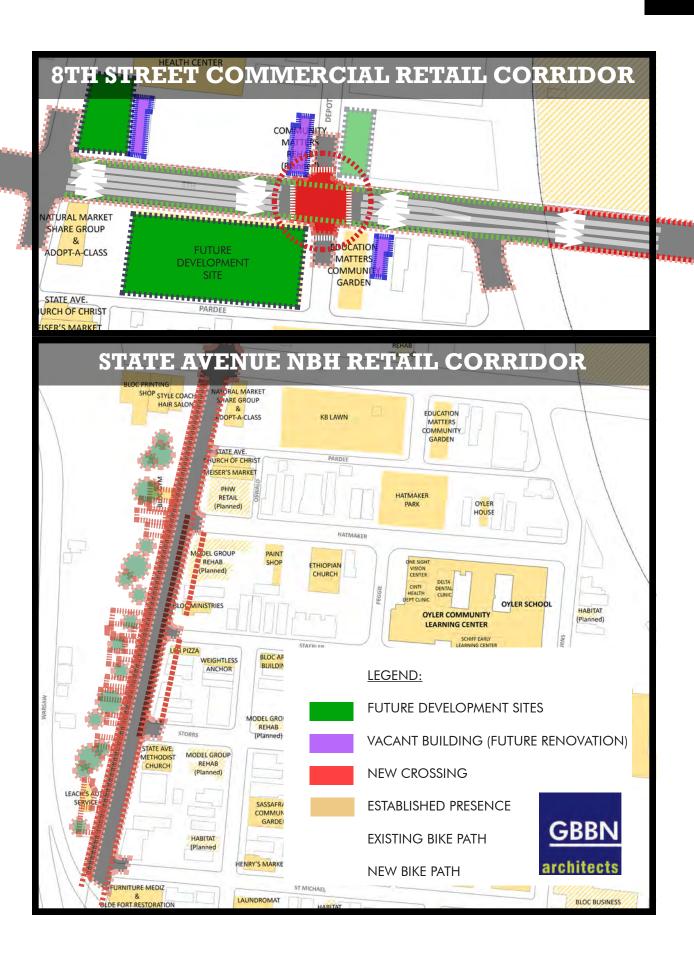
A Vibrant Place to Call Home

Focusing on LPH's neighborhood business district, 8th Street strategies focuses on gateway improvements to serve local residents, as well as attracting commuters who are passing through to the Incline District or downtown. State Avenue strategies focus on gateway improvements to serve local residents. The community also hopes to harness business talent in the neighborhood, such as long term owners' like Kroger Manufacturing, Consolidated Metal Company and KB Partners, as well as new businesses moving into the neighborhood, such as Nehemiah Manufacturing, McAndrews Glass, OPieO and Tri-State Whole Sale Building Supplies. To that end, the following strategies have been formulated:

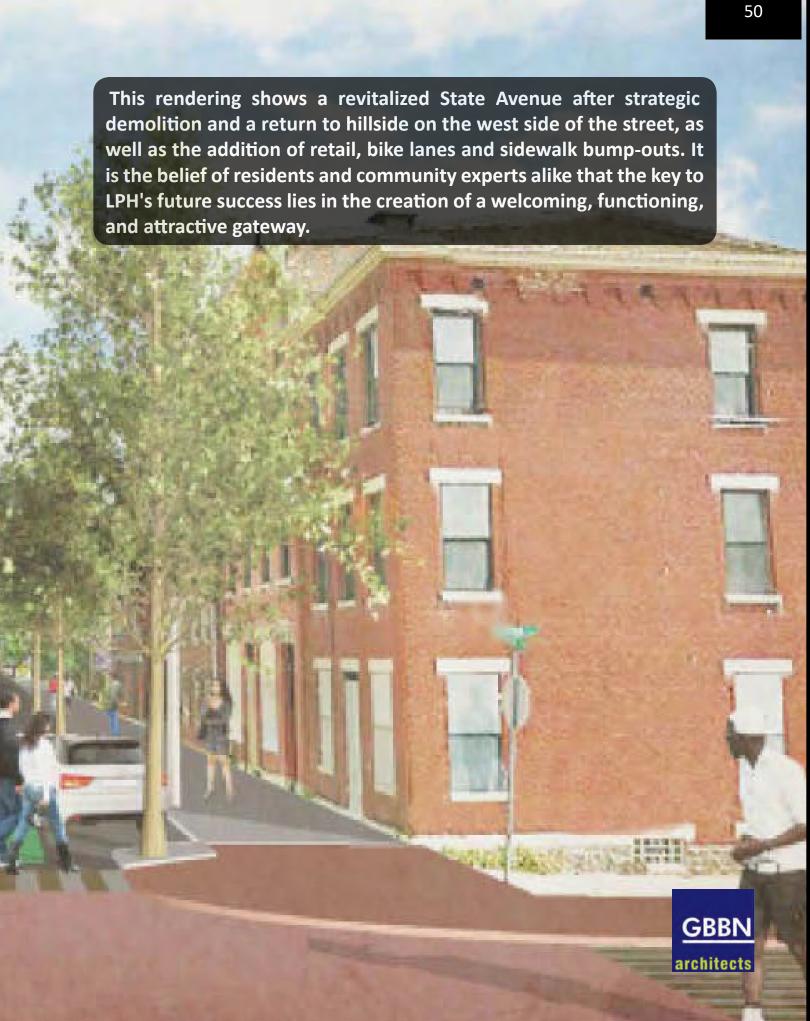
- 1. Conduct a parking study to evaluate street and lot parking in the neighborhood business district;
- 2. Identify appropriate partners to create neighborhood branding and identity;
- 3. Restore storefronts to provide for vitality and transparency. Housing units lost on the first floor to retail space must be relocated in the neighborhood's historic district;
- 4. Promote commercial development of the business corridor through the development of vacant lots and the rehabilitation of vacant buildings;
- 5. Raze blighted and vacant buildings on the west side of State Street and return land to hillside;
- 6. Identify qualified end uses to fill retail and commercial spaces with services aligned to the community's wants and needs that prioritize jobs for neighborhood residents;
- 7. Identify suitable partners to provide various job training supports; and,
- 8. Identify leadership and formulate code of regulations for the Lower Price Hill Neighborhood Alliance of Businesses.

Residents also expressed concern regarding walkability and pedestrian safety as it relates to the business district, which is further addressed on page 53 under the theme *Safety*.









clean + green

A Beautiful Place to Call Home

Building from the goals pertaining to clean + green set by the LPH community -

- 1. Increase the green canopy in the neighborhood;
- 2. Maintain and expand local parks and community gardens;
- 3. Decrease the number of vacant lots and buildings;
- 4. Eliminate blight, litter and illegal dumping; and,
- 5. Decrease crime around public assets -

the following strategies have been formulated:

- 1. Complete the green roof at Oyler CLC;
- 2. Add trees and lighting to the streetscape in the neighborhood's historic and business districts;
- 3. Return the west side of State Avenue to hillside;
- 4. Identify suitable partners to maintain and expand parks and community gardens;
- 5. Join the City of Cincinnati Park Board's flower pot program;
- 6. Identify suitable partners to revitalize vacant lots and buildings; and,
- 7. Educate residents and local businesses to report blight, litter and illegal dumping using the Fix-it-Cincy App;
- 8. Add more trash and recycling receptacles in the neighborhood's historic and business districts; and,
- 9. Research Crime Prevention through Environmental Design (CPTED) best practices and implement as appropriate.



recreation

A Fun Place to Call Home

Building from the goals pertaining to recreation set by the LPH community, the following strategies have been formulated:

- 1. Expand parking at Evans Field;
- 2. Partner with local community organizations to enhance outdoor enrichment;
- 3. Identify suitable partners to maintain and/or enhance local community recreation and sports fields;
- 4. Activate area below Waldvogel by turning it into a green space where the community can gather;
- 5. Complete planning, fundraising and development for Price Landing Park;
- 6. Add a pedestrian barrier on River Road to ensure safe pedestrian access to the future bike trail and Price Landing Park;
- 7. Evaluate traffic lights at the intersection of River Road and State Avenue for and implement measures as necessary to ensure safe pedestrian crossing;
- 8. Create a pedestrian bridge or tunnel over the railway to connect to the future bike trail and Price Landing Park;
- 9. Create a trail connection from Evans Street to Evans Field, then to the future bike trail and Price Landing Park;
- 10. Extend existing bike lanes on Gest Street and 8th Street Viaduct to State Avenue;
- 11. Add bike lanes on Aaron Raines Street, Burns Street, Evans Street and State Avenue;
- 12. Add a red bike station;
- 13. Straighten Aaron Raines Street adjacent to the 8th Street Viaduct and extend a walking path to connect to Evans Field;
- 14. Extend the Mill Creek Trail North; and,
- 15. Connect the Ohio River Trail West to the Mill Creek Trail.

safety

A Secure Place to Call Home.

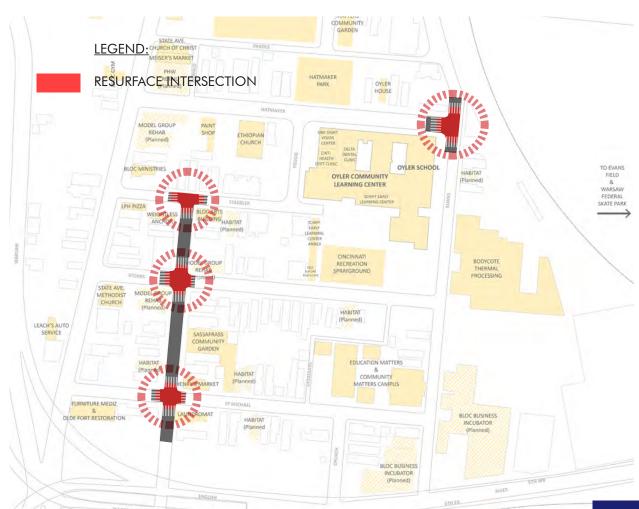
Moving to safety, strategies suggest creating a pedestrian friendly urban core, as well as focusing on crime hot spots and environmental dangers. Ideas include:

- 1. Identify neighborhood crime hot spots;
- 2. Research Crime Prevention through Environmental Design (CPTED) best practices and implement as appropriate;
- 3. Identify partners to work to reduce crime, particularly around neighborhood hot spots;
- 4. Introduce new sidewalk paving where necessary to ensure accessibility by all ages and abilities;
- 5. Introduce new crosswalks at strategic locations;
- 6. Explore speed-reducing strategies for 8th Street between State Avenue and Burns Street;
- 7. Create safe street crossing at the intersection of 8th Street and Depot Street;
- 8. Reduce traffic speed by widening sidewalks at strategic intersections;
- 9. Research pedestrian safety measures and implement as necessary around Oyler School to ensure student safety;
- 10. Install stop signs and bump outs at strategic locations;
- 11. Relocate bus stops on 8th Street to ensure buses do not block line of sight at crosswalk on Depot Street;
- 12. Increase bus services on River Road and State Avenue;
- 13. Edit land use map to reflect a desire for less intense industry, more pedestrian and mixed use friendly recommendations and change zoning as appropriate to reflect changes;
- 14. Eliminate unsanctioned land fills in the neighborhood; and,
- 15. Work with Metropolitan Sewer District to reduce noxious elements.

For a prioritized list of goals, strategies, potential partners and estimated timelines by initiative, see the following subchapter, *Action Plan*, starting on page 57.

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INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS



Housing: A Great Place to Call Home

Goals	Strategies in Order of Priority	Potential Partners	Timeline
Decrease Downward Residential Mobility and Transiency	Identify suitable partners to provide various homeownership, rental and utility supports.	Beech Acres; Community Learning Center Institute; Community Matters; Habitat for Humanity, Housing Opportunities Made Equal; Oyler Community Learning Center; People Working Cooperatively; Preservation of Affordable Housing; Santa Maria Community Services; The Healing Center;	Short Term (1 - 3 Years)
Pre serve Historic Neighborhood Assets	Research design standards suitable for a historic district.	Cincinnati Preservation Association; City of Cincinnati City Council; City of Cincinnati Department of Buildings and Inspections; City of Cincinnati Department of City Planning; City of Cincinnati and Hamilton County Taskforce; City of Cincinnati Urban Conservator; Community Learning Center Institute; Community Matters; Habitat for Humanity; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; Over-the-Rhine Community Housing; Price Hill Development Committee; Price Hill Historical Society; Price Hill Will; Quality Housing Taskforce; The Model Group; The Port;	ShortTerm (1 - 3 Years)
	Create design standards for future developers that match the urban historic character of the neighborhood.	Cincinnati Preservation Association; City of Cincinnati City Council; City of Cincinnati Department of Buildings and Inspections; City of Cincinnati Department of City Planning; City of Cincinnati and Hamilton County Taskforce; City of Cincinnati Urban Conservator; Community Learning Center Institute; Community Matters; Habitat for Humanity; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; Over-the-Rhine Community Housing; Price Hill Development Committee; Price Hill Historical Society; Price Hill Will; Quality Housing Taskforce; The Model Group; The Port;	Short Term (1 - 3 Years)

Housing Continued...

Goals	Strategies in Order of Priority	Potential Partners	Timeline
Increase Quality Affordable Homeownership Opportunities	Research neighborhood development best practices in order to define affordability and de sirable mixed income balance.	City of Cincinnati and Hamilton County Housing Taskforce; City of Cincinnati City Council; City of Cincinnati Department of City Planning; City of Cincinnati Department of Community and Economic Development; Community Learning Center Institute; Community Matters; Habitat for Humanity; Housing and Urban Development; Housing Opportunities Made Equal; Legal Aid Society; Local Initiatives Support Corporation; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; Peaslee Center; Preservation of Affordable Housing; Price Hill Will; Santa Maria Community Services; The Model Group; The Port; University of Cincinnati School of Planning; Working in Neighborhoods;	Short Term (1 - 3 Years
	Conduct a parking study to evaluate street parking in the historic district.	City of Cincinnati Department of City Planning; City of Cincinnati Department of Community and Economic Development; City of Cincinnati Department of Transportation and Engineering; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee;	ShortTerm (1-3 Years
	ldentify suitable affordable single family housing development partners.	Community Learning Center Institute; Community Matters; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee, Price Hill Will;	Short Term (1 - 3 Years
	Identify, acquire and renovate vacant properties to provide affordable single family homeownership opportunities in the neighborhood's historic district.	Habitat for Humanity; Price Hill Will; The Port;	Mid Term (3 - 5 Years)
	ldentify and acquire vacant lots for historically compatible new build single family homeownership opportunities in the neighborhood's historic district.	Habitat for Humanity; Price Hill Will; The Port;	Mid Term (3 - 5 Years)
	Identify, acquire and renovate vacant properties to provide affordable single family homeownership opportunities north of 8th Street on State Avenue.	Habitat for Humanity; Price Hill Will; The Port;	Long Term (5 - 10 Year
	Identify and acquire vacant lots for new build single family homeownership opportunities north of 8th Street on State Avenue.	Habitat for Humanity; Price Hill Will; The Port;	Long Term (5 - 10 Year
Increase Quality Affordable Rental Opportunities	ldentify suitable affordable multifamily housing development partners.	Community Learning Center Institute; Community Matters; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee, Price Hill Will;	Short Term (1 - 3 Years
	Identify, acquire and renovate vacant properties to provide affordable multi family rental opportunities in the neighborhood's historic district.		Mid Term (3 - 5 Years)
	ldentify, acquire and renovate vacant properties to provide affordable multi family rental opportunities north of 8th Street on State Avenue.	McAndrews Glass; Nehemiah Manufacturing	Long Term (5 - 10 Year

Local Shops + Services : A Vibrant Place to Call Home

Goals	Strategies in Order of Priority	Potential Partners	Timeline
Increase the number and variety of local businesses and services in the neighborhood.	Conduct a parking study to evaluate street and lot parking in the neighborhood business district.	City of Cincinnati Department of City Planning; City of Cincinnati Department of Community and Economic Development; City of Cincinnati Department of Transportation and Engineering; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee;	Short Term (1 - 3 Years)
	neighborhood branding and identity.	City of Cincinnati Department of Community and Economic Development; Cincinnati Neighborhood Business Districts United; Community Learning Center Institute; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; Lower Price Hill Neighborhood Alliance of Businesses; Nehemiah Manufacturing; Oyler Community Learning Center; Price Hill Will;	Short Term (1 - 3 Years)
	Restore storefronts to provide for vitality and transparency. Housing units lost on the first floor to retail space must be relocated in the neighborhood's historic district.	Cincinnati Neignbornood business Districts United; City of Cincinnati Department of Community and Economic Development; Community Learning Center Institute; Community Matters; Lower Price Hill Neighborhood Alliance of Businesses; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; Over-the-Rhine Community Housing; Price Hill Will; The Model	Mid Term (3 - 5 Years)
	Promote commercial development of the business corridor through the development of vacant lots and the rehabilitation of vacant buildings.	Cincinnati Neighborhood Business Districts United; City of Cincinnati Department of Community and Economic Development; Community Learning Center Institute; Community Matters; Lower Price Hill Neighborhood Alliance of Businesses; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; KB Partners; Overthe-Rhine Community Housing; Price Hill Will; The Model Group; The Port;	Mid Term (3 - 5 Years)
	wast side of State Street and return land to hillside.	City of Cincinnati Department of Buildings and Inspections; City of Cincinnati Department of Transportation and Engineering; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; Ohio Housing Finance Agency; The Port;	
Increase job training for neighborhood youth and residents.	Identify suitable partners to provide various job training supports.	Beacon of Hope; Beech Acres; BLOC Ministries; Cincinnati Public Schools; City of Cincinnati Department of Community and Economic Development; City of Cincinnati Police Department; Community Learning Center Institute; Community Matters; Lower Price Hill Alliance of Businesses; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Mill Creek Alliance; Oyler Community Learning Center; Price Hill Will; Santa Maria Community Services; The Healing Center;	Short Term (1 - 3 Years)
Increase the number of jobs available, prioritizing neighborhood residents.	Identify qualified end uses to fill retail and commercial spaces with services aligned to the community's wants and needs that prioritize jobs for neighborhood residents.	Cincinnati Neighborhood Business Districts United; City of Cincinnati Department of Community and Economic Development; Community Learning Center Institute; Community Matters; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; Lower Price Hill Neighborhood Alliance of Businesses; Price Hill Will; Over-the-Rhine Community Housing; The Model Group; The Port;	Mid Term (3 - 5 Years)
Create a functioning neighborhood business alliance.	Identify leadership and formulate code of regulations for the Lower Price Hill Neighborhood Alliance of Businesses	Community Learning Center Institute; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Neighborhood Alliance of Businesses; McAndrews Glass; Nehemiah Manufacturing; Price Hill Will;	Committee of the commit

Clean + Green: A Beautiful Place to Call Home

Goals	Strategies in Order of Priority	Potential Partners	Timeline
Increase the tree canopy in the neighborhood.	Complete the green roof at Oyler CLC.	Cincinnati Public Schools; Community Learning Center Institute; Green Umbrella; Habitat for Humanity; Mill Creek Alliance; Oyler Community Learning Center; Powernet;	
	Add trees and lighting to the streetscape in the neighborhood's historic and business districts.	Community Learning Center Institute; City of Cincinnati Department of Transportation and Engineering; City of Cincinnati Parks Board; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; Price Hill Will;	
	Return the west side of State Avenue to hillside.	City of Cincinnati Department of Buildings and Inspections; City of Cincinnati Department of Transportation and Engineering; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; Ohio Housing Finance Agency; The Port;	Long Term (5 - 10
Maintain and expand local parks and community gardens.	Identify suitable partners to maintain and expand parks and community gardens.	City of Cincinnati Parks Board; City of Cincinnati Recreation Commission; Community Learning Center Institute; Community Matters; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; Lower Price Hill Neighborhood Alliance of Businesses; Mill Creek Alliance; Oyler Community Learning Center; Preservation of Affordable Housing; Price Hill Will; River-West; The Port;	Short Term (1 - 3 Years)
	Join the City of Cincinnati Park Board's Flower Pot Program	City of Cincinnati Parks Board; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Neighborhood Alliance of Businesses;	
Decrease the number of vacant lots and buildings	Identify suitable partners to revitalize vacant lots and buildings.	City of Cincinnati Department of Community and Economic Development, Community Learning Center Institute; Community Matters; Lower Price Hill Neighborhood Alliance of Businesses; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; Price Hill Will; The Port;	Mid Term (3 - 5 Years)
Eliminate blight, litter and illegal dumping.	Educate residents and local businesses to report blight, litter and illegal dumping using the Fix-it-Cincy App.	Community Learning Center Institute; Community Matters; City of Cincinnati Department of Public Services; City of Cincinnati Police Department; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; Lower Price Hill Neighborhood Alliance of Businesses; Oyler Community Learning Center Institute; Santa Maria Community Services	Short Term (1 - 3 Years)
	Add more trash and recycling receptacles in the neighborhood's historic and business districts.	City of Cincinnati Department of Public Services; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Neighborhood Alliance of Businesses;	Short Term (1 - 3 Years)
Decrease crime around public assets.	Research Crime Prevention through Environmental Design (CPTED) best practices and implement as appropriate.	City of Cincinnati Department of Buildings and Inspections; City of Cincinnati Department of City Planning; City of Cincinnati Police Department; Community Learning Center Institute; Community Matters; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; Lower Price Hill Neighborhood Alliance of Businesses; Price Hill Will; University of Cincinnati School of Planning;	Mid Term (3 - 5 Years)

Recreation: A Fun Place to Call Home

Goals	Strategies in Order of Priority	Potential Partners	Timeline
Maintain and expand community recreation areas.	Expand parking at Evans Field.	City of Cincinnati Department of Community and Economic Development; City of Cincinnati Department of Transportation and Engineering; City of Cincinnati Recreation Commission; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; Oyler Community Learning Center; Tri-State Wholesale Building Supplies; River-West;	Short Term (1 - 3 Years)
	Partner with local community organizations to enhance outdoor enrichment.	Community Learning Center Institute; Community Matters; Green Umbrella; Habitat for Humanity; Keep Cincinnati Beautiful; Leave No Child Inside; Mill Creek Alliance; Oyler Community Learning Center Institute;	Short Term (1 - 3
	Identify suitable partners to maintain and/or enhance local community recreation and sports fields.	Cincinnati Public Schools; City of Cincinnati Recreation Commission; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Neighborhood Alliance of Businesses; Oyler Community Learning Center;	Short Term (1 - 3
	Activate space below Waldvogel by turning it into a green space where the community can gather.	City of Cincinnati Department of Transportation and Engineering; City of Cincinnati Parks Board; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; Lower Price Hill Neighborhood Alliance of Businesses; Price Hill Will;	Long Term (5 - 10 Year)
Complete Price Landing Park.	Complete planning, fundraising and development for Price Landing Park.	City of Cincinnati Department of City Planning; City of Cincinnati Department of Transportation and Engineering; City of Cincinnati Parks Board; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; River - West;	Long Term (5 - 10 Year)
	Add a pedestrian barrier on River Road to ensure safe pedestrian access to the future bike trail and Price Landing Park.	City of Cincinnati Department of City Planning; City of Cincinnati Department of Transportation and Engineering; City of Cincinnati Parks Board; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; River - West;	Long Term (5 - 10 Year
	Evaluate traffic lights at the intersection of River Road and State Avenue for safe pedestrian crossing to future Price Landing Park.	City of Cincinnati Department of City Planning; City of Cincinnati Department of Transportation and Engineering; City of Cincinnati Parks Board; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; River - West;	Long Term (5 - 10 Year)
	Create a pedestrian bridge or tunnel over the railway to connect to the future bike trail and Price Landing Park.	City of Cincinnati Department of City Planning; City of Cincinnati Department of Transportation and Engineering; City of Cincinnati Parks Board; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; River - West;	Long Term (5 - 10 Year)
	Create a trail connection from Evans Street to Evans Field, then to the future bike trail and Price Landing Park.	City of Cincinnati Department of City Planning; City of Cincinnati Department of Transportation and Engineering; City of Cincinnati Parks Board; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; River - West;	Long Term (5 - 10 Year

Recreation Continued...

Goals	Strategies in Order of Priority	Potential Partners	Timeline
Provide safe multi-modal access throughout the neighborhood, particularly to local park and recreation areas.	Extend existing bike lanes on Gest Street and 8th Street Viaduct to State Avenue.	City of Cincinnati Department of City Planning; City of Cincinnati Department of Transportation and Engineering; Community Learning Center Institute; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; Lower Price Hill Neighborhood Alliance of Businesses; Price Hill Will;	
	Add bike lanes on Aaron Raines Street, Burns Street, Evans Street and State Avenue.	City of Cincinnati Department of City Planning; City of Cincinnati Department of Transportation and Engineering; Community Learning Center Institute; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; Lower Price Hill Neighborhood Alliance of Businesses; Price Hill Will;	Mid Term (3 - 5 Years)
	Add a red bike station.	City of Cincinnati Department of City Planning; City of Cincinnati Department of Transportation and Engineering; Community Learning Center Institute; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; Lower Price Hill Neighborhood Alliance of Businesses; Price Hill Will; Red Bike;	Mid Term (3 - 5 Years)
	Straighten Aaron Raines Street adjacent to the 8th Street Viaduct and extend a walking path to connect to Evans Field.	City of Cincinnati Department of City Planning; City of Cincinnati Recreation Commission; City of Cincinnati Department of Transportation and Engineering; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; Lower Price Hill Neighborhood Alliance of Businesses; Price Hill Will; Tri-State Wholesale Building Supplies;	Long Term (5 - 10 Year)
	Extend the Mill Creek Trail North.	City of Cincinnati Department of City Planning; City of Cincinnati Department of Transportation and Engineering; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; Mill Creek Alliance; Price Hill Will; River-West;	
	Connect the Ohio River Trail West to the Mill Creek Trail.	City of Cincinnati Department of City Planning; City of Cincinnati Department of Transportation and Engineering; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; Mill Creek Alliance; Price Hill Will; River-West;	Long Term (5 - 10 Year)

Safety: A Secure Place to Call Home

Goals	Strategies in Order of Priority	Potential Partners	Timeline
Reduce crime.	Identify neighborhood crime hot spots.	City of Cincinnati Department of Performance and Data Analytics; City of Cincinnati Police Department; Community Learning Center Institute; Community Matters; Lower Price Hill Collaboration to Prevent Violence Committee; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; Lower Price Hill Neighborhood Alliance of Businesses; Oyler Community Learning Center; Price Hill Will; Santa Maria Community Services;	
	Research Crime Prevention through Environmental Design (CPTED) best practices and implement as appropriate.	City of Cincinnati Department of City Planning; City of Cincinnati Department of Community and Economic Development; City of Cincinnati Police Department; Community Learning Center Institute; Community Matters; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; Price Hill Will; University of Cincinnati School of Planning;	ShortTerm (1 - 3 Years
	Identify partners to work to reduce crime, particularly around neighborhood hot spots.	City of Cincinnati Police Department; Community Learning Center Institute; Community Matters; Lower Price Hill Collaboration to Prevent Violence Committee; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; Lower Price Hill Neighborhood Alliance of Businesses; Oyler Community Learning Center; Price Hill Will; Santa Maria Community Services;	Short Term (1 - 3 Years
Improve traffic and pedestrian safety.	Introduce new sidewalk paving where necessary to ensure accessibility by all ages and abilities.	City of Cincinnati Department of Public Services; City of Cincinnati Department of Transportation and Engineering; City of Cincinnati Office of Aging and Accessibility; Community Learning Center Institute; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; Lower Price Hill Neighborhood Alliance of Businesses; Price Hill Will;	Mid Term (3 - 5 Years)
	Introduce new crosswalks at strategic locations.	City of Cincinnati Department of City Planning; City of Cincinnati Department of Public Services; City of Cincinnati Department of Transportation and Engineering; Community Learning Center Institute; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; Lower Price Hill Neighborhood Alliance of Businesses; Price Hill Will;	Mid Term (3 - 5 Years)
		Cincinnati Public Schools; City of Cincinnati Department of City Planning; City of Cincinnati Department of Public Services; City of Cincinnati Department of Transportation and Engineering; Community Learning Center Institute; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; Lower Price Hill Neighborhood Alliance of Businesses; Oyler Community Learning Center; Price Hill Will;	Mid Term (3 - 5 Years)
	Create safe street crossing at the intersection of 8th Street and Depot Street.	Cincinnati Public Schools; City of Cincinnati Department of City Planning; City of Cincinnati Department of Public Services; City of Cincinnati Department of Transportation and Engineering; Community Learning Center Institute; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; Lower Price Hill Neighborhood Alliance of Businesses; Oyler Community Learning Center; Price Hill Will;	Mid Term (3 - 5 Years)

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Safety Continued...

Goals	Strategies in Order of Priority	Potential Partners	Timeline
Improve traffic and pedestrian safety continued.	Reduce traffic speed by widening sidewalks at strategic intersections.	City of Cincinnati Department of City Planning; City of Cincinnati Department of Public Services; City of Cincinnati Department of Transportation and Engineering; Community Learning Center Institute; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; Lower Price Hill Neighborhood Alliance of Businesses; Price Hill Will;	Mid Term (3 - 5 Years)
	Research pedestrian safety measures and implement as necessary around Oyler School to ensure student safety.	City of Cincinnati Department of City Planning; City of Cincinnati Department of Public Services; City of Cincinnati Department of Transportation and Engineering; Community Learning Center Institute; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; Lower Price Hill Neighborhood Alliance of Businesses; Oyler Community Learning Center; Price Hill Will;	Mid Term (3 - 5 Years)
	Install stop signs and bump outs at strategic locations.	City of Cincinnati Department of City Planning; City of Cincinnati Department of Public Services; City of Cincinnati Department of Transportation and Engineering; Community Learning Center Institute; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; Lower Price Hill Neighborhood Alliance of Businesses; Price Hill Will;	Mid Term (3 - 5 Years)
		Cincinnati Public Schools; City of Cincinnati Department of City Planning; City of Cincinnati Department of Public Services; City of Cincinnati Department of Transportation and Engineering; Community Learning Center Institute; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; Lower Price Hill Neighborhood Alliance of Businesses; Metro; Oyler Community Learning Center; Price Hill Will;	Mid Term (3 - 5 Years)
	Increase bus services on River Road and State Avenue.	Cincinnati Public Schools; City of Cincinnati Department of City Planning; City of Cincinnati Department of Public Services; City of Cincinnati Department of Transportation and Engineering; Community Learning Center Institute; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; Lower Price Hill Neighborhood Alliance of Businesses; Oyler Community Learning Center; Price Hill Will;	Mid Term (3 - 5 Years)

action plan

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Goals	Strategies in Order of Priority	Potential Partners	Timeline
Eliminate environmental dangers.	Edit land use map to reflect a desire for less intense industry, more pedestrian and mixed use friendly recommendations and change zoning as appropriate to reflect changes.	Community Matters; City of Cincinnati Department of Buildings and Inspections; City of Cincinnati Department of City Planning; Community Learning Center Institute; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Neighborhood Alliance of Businesses; Oyler Community Learning Center; Price Hill Will; Santa Maria Community Services;	ShortTerm (1 - 3 Years
	Eliminate unsanctioned land fills in the neighborhood.	Community Learning Center Institute; Community Matters; City of Cincinnati Department of Buildings and Inspections; Environmental Protection Agency; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; Lower Price Hill Neighborhood Alliance of Businesses; Price Hill Will;	ShortTerm (1 - 3 Years)
	Work with Metropolitan Sewer District to reduce noxious elements.	City of Cincinnati City Council; Environmental Protection Agency; Hamilton County; Lower Price Hill Community Council; Lower Price Hill Development Ad Hoc Committee; Lower Price Hill Neighborhood Alliance of Businesses; Metropolitan Sewer District; Price Hill Will;	Long Term (5 - 10 Year)

conclusion

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wrap-up

Final Thoughts + Next Steps

The LPH Resurgency Plan expresses the vision and goals of the LPH community and provides prioritized strategies that will create a vibrant, healthy and thriving LPH. This Plan has been embraced by residents and stakeholders alike, as several successful projects have already been implemented. From skate parks and murals to housing and commercial development, this Plan works to enhance the neighborhood and raise the quality of life for all residents.

Coordination and communication must be sustained in order for this Plan to continue its success. Implementation teams based off of initiatives will work to keep the momentum for this process moving forward, under the guidance of several neighborhood and City stakeholders. Furthermore, potential partners, funders and developers must continue to be identified as the Plan moves forward.

The neighborhood of Lower Price Hill has a bright future. With a highly engaged body of residents, multiple organizations already doing great work, and interested investors, the community is poised to become not only one of Cincinnati's great neighborhoods to live, but also an example for equitable revitalization nationwide.

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community planning exercise

Lower Price Hill

community planning exercise



Before you begin:

- 1) Introduce yourselves! (Using the name tags and sign-in sheet provided.)
- 2) Assign one person to draw, one to take notes, and one to present at the end.



Strengths & Assets

the very best of Lower Price Hill

With the GREEN marker, draw symbols on the map to answer the following questions. It's okay to mark multiple locations.



Where do you consider the heart of the neighborhood to be?



Where do you feel the safest in LPH?



What businesses or services do you use in LPH?



Where do you go for fun in LPH?

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What is your favorite place in LPH?



Weaknesses & Critiques

what could be improved?

With the **RED** marker, draw symbols on the map to answer the following questions. It's okay to mark multiple locations.



Where in the neighborhood do you feel unsafe?



Where are businesses closed that you wish were still open?



What areas are most in need of beautification?



Where is traffic too fast / too busy?

community planning exercise

3 map #2 20 MIN

IDEAS

what do you think?!

Using the colors below as a legend, draw on the map to create your vision for Lower Price Hill.



CLEAN & BEAUTIFUL:

Where do you wish there were trees or green space? Consider all possibilities, not just park areas.



HOUSING: Home-Ownership

Where would you create more opportunities for home ownership? Are these all single family homes? Condos?



HOUSING: Rentals

Where would you put more rentals? Where would you put different rentals?



LOCAL SHOPS & BUSINESSES

Where would you put businesses? What businesses would go where?



RECREATION & THINGS TO DO

Where would you put recreation & entertainment? What would that be?



OTHER

Anything else that you would like to see included as part of Lower Price Hill?



Present

share what your group created

Each group will have 2-3 minutes to present 2-3 of their key ideas to the rest of the meeting attendees. Choose one person who will convey the group's vision for LPH.

Thank you!

residential

Lower Price Hill Plan Work Group Tools

VISION STATEMENT

To encourage more accountability for the neighborhood's quality through home ownership and better-screened tenants. The community acknowledges the need for education on home ownership and financial assistance, seeks to preserve historic assets while improving the condition of properties, and prioritizes mixed income, mixed generations, mixed use, and mixed owner / renters.



- More home ownership and owner-occupied
- Single family homes
- Improve home maintenance
- Attract mixed-income housing
- Mix of generations
- Mixed use
- Mixed incomes
- Mix up rentals and owners
- Eradicate vacancies
- Investment in housing without gentrification
- Great building stock / variety
- Attractive to young professionals

- Respect historic fabric in new construction
- Identify people who own investment property and get them involved in plan
- All housing updated with curb appeal
- More landlord involvement in community and their buildings
- Affordable housing (but not CMHA or Section 8)
- Renter equity
 Rent to own
- Less rental
- Home repair / revitalization

- Better screening for renters, tenants, and sublets
- Mix of housing and stores on 8th
- Artist live-work spaces
- Housing for all families with yards
- Housing for homeless high school students with supervision, job help, homework, college counseling
- Buildings need to be stabilized and saved
- Strategic location is an asset
- Beautiful city views

- Lead abatement in homes
- Condos (12-15 units)
- Offer financial literacy to help people get home loans
- Establish credit history
- Alternative pathways to home ownership
- Help residents apply for loans
- Need 1-3 bedroom apartments for \$300-\$450/month
- Put rentals on outskirts of neighborhood
- Rent too high for what we're getting
- Housing maintenance

local businesses

Lower Price Hill Plan Work Group Tools

VISION STATEMENT

To increase the number and variety of local businesses and services in Lower Price Hill while empowering neighborhood residents. The community also recognizes the need for job training and supportive services (such as child care) and the opportunity for successful local businesses to bring the community together.



- Gift shop with cards
- Somewhere to buy affordable household items
- Fresh market
- Grocery store
- Clothing stores
- More restaurants (chicken)
- Ice cream parlor
- Candy store
- Bakery
- Toy store
- Flower shop
- Waffle House
- New Paradise
- Lower Price Hill Pub (Thomas Public House)
- Coffee shop

- Plant shop
- Bike Delivery Restaurant
- Laundromat
- Community kitchen (cooking together, potluck dinner, encourage families to eat together)
- Butcher shop
- Greasy Spoon
- Diverse restaurants
- Internet cafe
- Beauty parlor Bank
- Art and recycle co-op
- More business expansion
- Hair salon
- Bingo Farmer's Market
- Destination businesses

- that serve people passing
- Office building on River Rd.
- Family restaurant
- Movie theatre
- Community theater
- Charm school
- Library Museum
- Aquarium
- Access to computers
- Community library
- Car repair
- Teach trades / basic skills
- Hospital
- Animal shelter
- More connection to local employers

- Job coaches and advisors
- **Employment Center**
- LPH job staffing / temp service
- Pool hall
- Bowling alley
- Day to day skills (cooking, parenting, house cleaning)
- Information on budgeting, time management, budgeting with food stamps
- Support and resources for child-rearing
- Parenting coaches / parent university
- Benefits helper
- Provide child care (2nd and 3rd shift)

green & beautiful

Lower Price Hill Plan Work Group Tools

VISION STATEMENT

To create a Lower Price Hill that is clean, green, and beautiful. Resident feedback highlights the basic need for clean-up and repair throughout the neighborhood, as well as improvements to parks, lighting, vacant lots, and buildings. The ideal Lower Price Hill is lush with trees, gardens, and safe outdoor spaces for the community to gather.



- Beautification everywhere
- Trees, flowers, grass, pick up litter
- Teach and organize urban gardening -neighborhood garden club •
- Urban gardens connected to homes
- Gardens
- Recycling
- Safe parks

- Lighted parks
- Bigger parks with sandbox More trees / tree city
- Tree-lined streets
- Bike trails
- Green space
- Neighborhood trash cans
- Trash socials -- community happy hour for cleaning the streets
- Clean up trash on sidewalks
- All the garbage picked up
- LPH clean-up monthly
- Community clean up days
- Purchase vacant lots Fix up vacant buildings
- Improve buildings that are boarded up
- Remove graffiti
- Paint / repair buildings
- Plant flowers
- Repair windows Remove boards over
- doors and windows
- Bad sewer smell gone
- MSD odors
- Information on healthy eating

recreation

Lower Price Hill Plan Work Group Tools

VISION STATEMENT

To provide the residents of Lower Price Hill with fun activities and recreational opportunities within their own neighborhood. Suggestions include physical activities (such as sports fields or a recreation center), outdoor activities (fishing and biking), arts and entertainment (dances, carnivals), and school-based activities (science fair, parent volunteers).









- Skatepark in Evans Field, SW corner of W. 8th and State, under Waldvogel,
- Remodel Evans Field to provide sports parks, bathrooms, concession stand, bleachers, scoreboard
- More programmed activities at the parks
- Bike rental
- Swimming pool
- Green space by NMSG to be used for community get-togethers, dances, etc. •
- Improve Hatmaker Park

- Dances
- Arts community center
- Recreation center for families and kids
- Activities for adults (bingo, basketball tournaments)
- Gym (weights, basketball court)
- Community physical activity day
- Bigger waterpark and pool
- Zipline
- Recreation facility
- Sports fields
- More playground equipment

- Scheduled and supervised after-school activities
- CRC with pool
- Block party
- Community meet & greet •
- Boys & Girls Club
- Mom's / Dad's night
- Carnivals
- Talent shows
- Video game club
- Arcade
- Lighted gym program Pool parties
- Back on the Block
- Teen Club
- Boys Club open late

- Riverfront park
- Bicycle to LPH
- Community theater Revitalization of Evans
- Bring back the pool
- · Upgrade the water park
- Science fair
- · School musical and plays
- Crafts and activities for kids and adults
- Fishing ponds
- Provide child care
- Pool with lifeguard
- Program for parents to volunteer with incentives

safety

Lower Price Hill Plan Work Group Tools

VISION STATEMENT

To reduce crime and eliminate environmental dangers throughout the neighborhood. Areas of criminal activity have been identified throughout the neighborhood, while environmental dangers include traffic and air quality issues. Some solutions may be simple infrastructure improvements (speed bumps, lighting), while others rely more heavily on community involvement (block watchers).







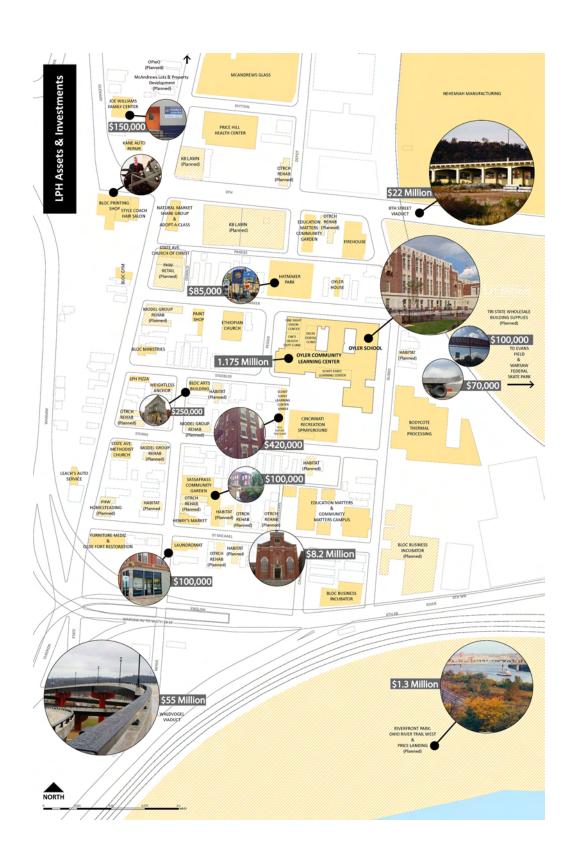


- No safe areas outside
- Storrs and Neave (Four Corners) -- crowded, lots of criminal activity
- Too many dead zones
- Drug addicts living in woods on west side of State
- School zone of 20mph all around Oyler
- Need safe route for

- children to new riverfront park
- Add speed bumps to streets to slow traffic
- Improve and patrol Hatmaker Park
- · Police living in community
- Neighborhood walks with police and other leaders
- Get rid of crime
- DARE police officer for

- school
- Block watchers
- Cameras on every other corner
- More parents held responsible for children's actions
- Ensure that children feel safe in their home and playing outside
- District 3 substation
- Safe place for women who are trafficked
- Needle exchange program
- Drug prevention and affordable treatment
- AAA/NA/AI-Anon meetings
- Lead abatement in homes
- MSD odors / toxic air

lph assets + investments map



price landing park site plan

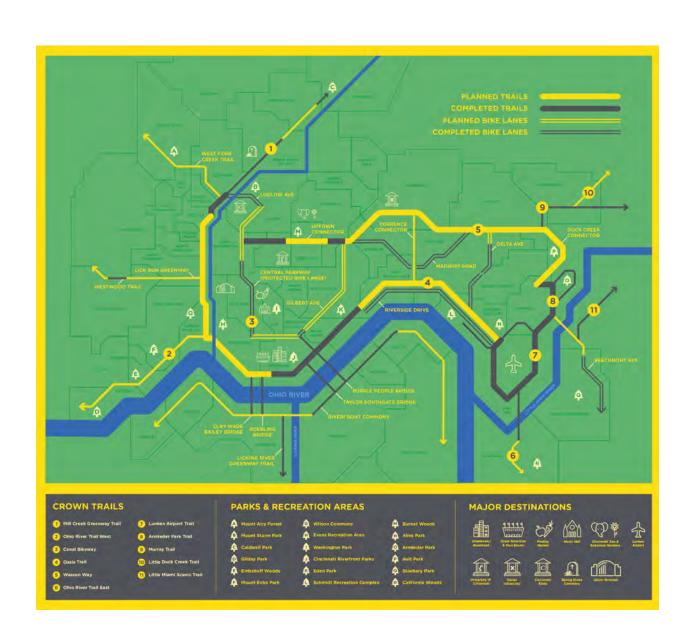
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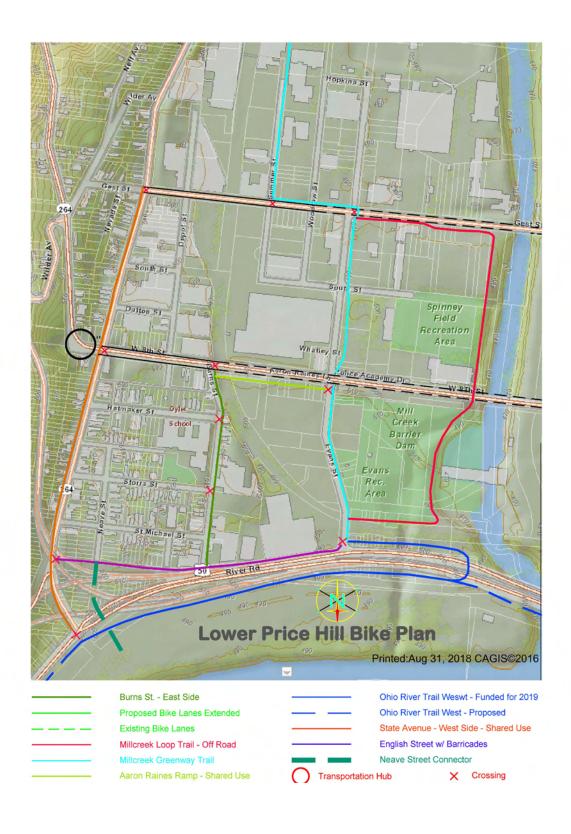
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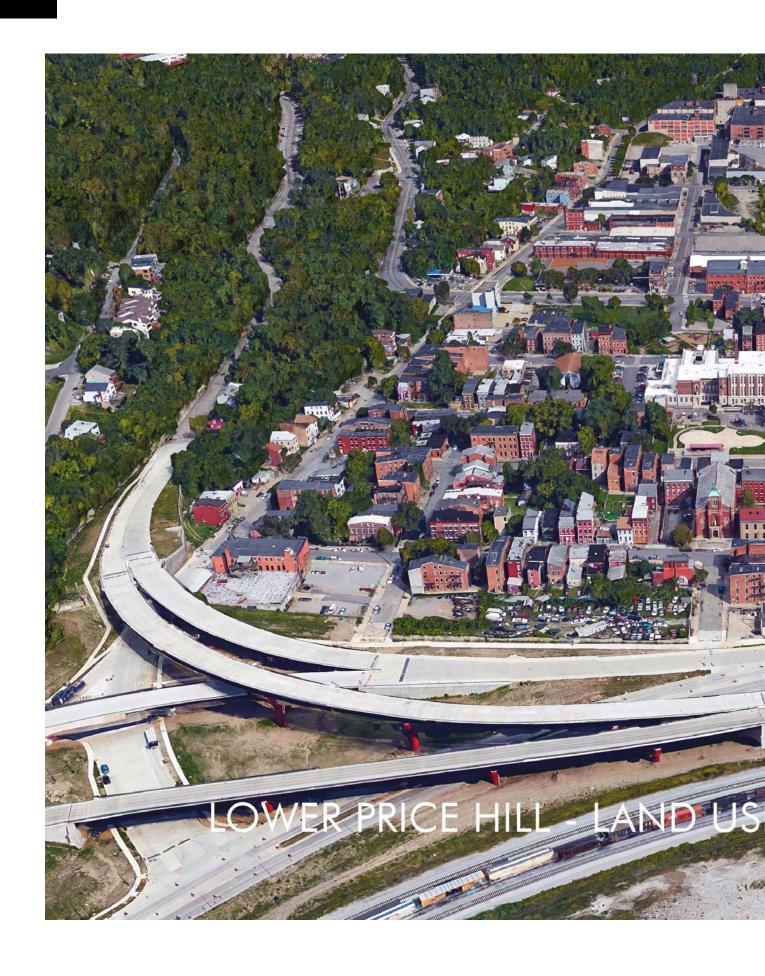


lph bike plan



lph reforestation plan

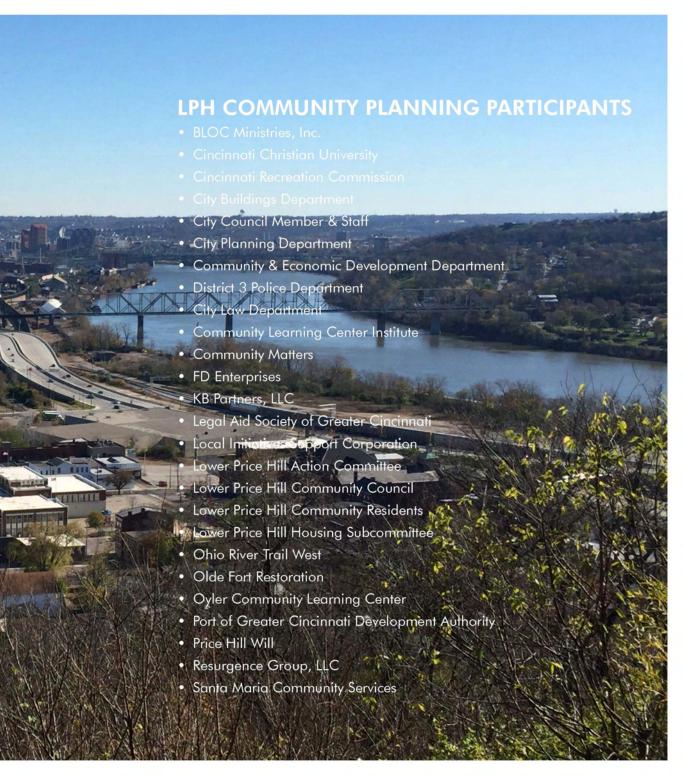








VIEW OF LOWER PRICE HILL







OVERVIEW SATELLITE





8TH STREET STRATEGY

- REDUCE SPEED ON 8TH STREET BETWEEN STATE AND BURNS STREET
- CREATE SAFE STREET CROSSING BY INTRO-DUCING TRAFFIC LIGHT/CROSSWALKS
- PROMOTE DEVELOPMENT OF BUSSINESS CORRIDOR
- FUTURE DEVELOPMENT SITES, VACANT LOTS
- OFFICE USE: HIGHEST AND BEST
- INTRODUCE TREES ON SIDEWALKS
- INTRODUCE/EXTEND BIKE PATH FROM 8TH

LEGEND:



VACANT BUILDING (FUTURE RENOVATION)

NEW CROSSING

ESTABLISHED PRESENCE

EXISTING BIKE PATH

NEW BIKE PATH



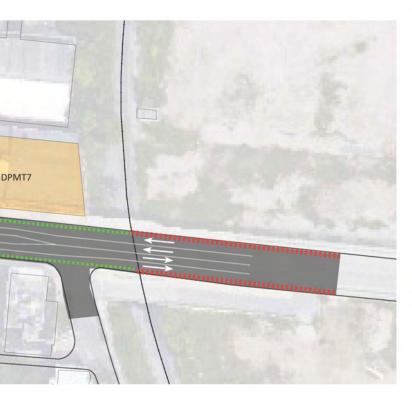
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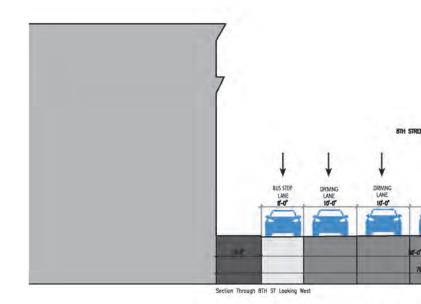










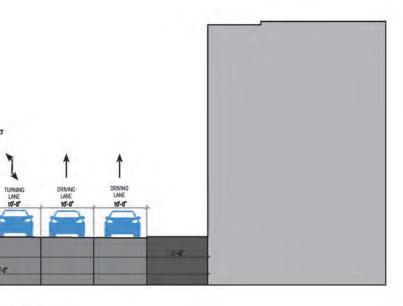


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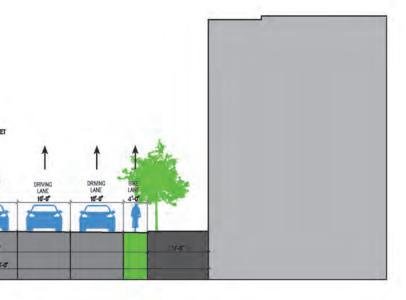


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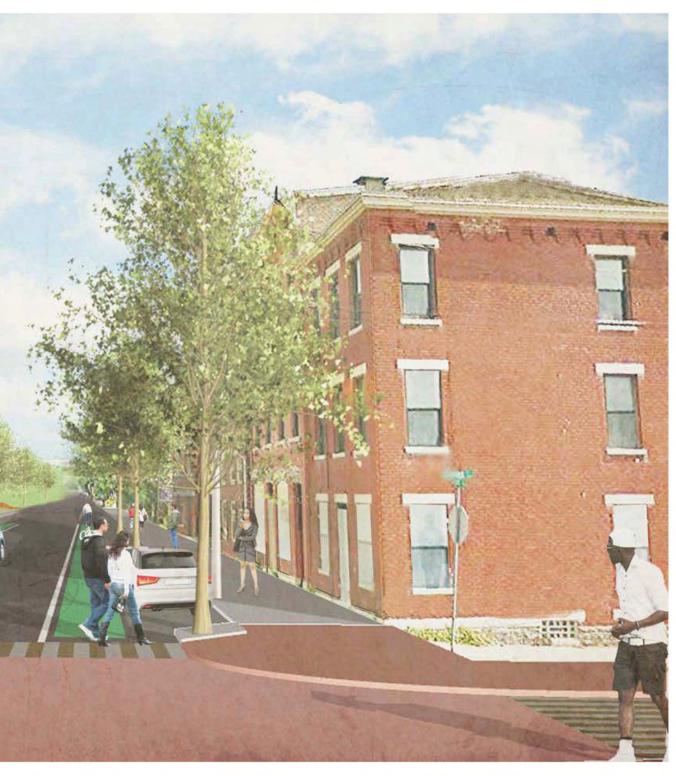


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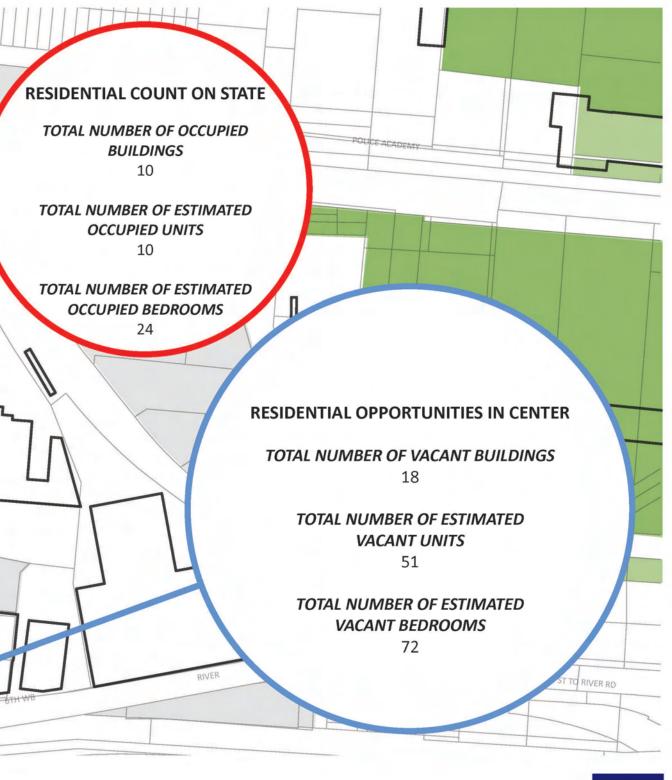


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RESIDENTIAL PLAN



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STATE STREET STRATEGY

- REDUCE TRAFFIC SPEED
- WIDEN SIDEWALKS AT INTERSECTIONS
- ADD TREES TO STREETSCAPE
- DEMO EXIST. BUILDINGS ON WEST SIDE OF STATE STREET TO ADD BIKE LANES AND WIDEN SIDE WALK.
- REHAB BUILDINGS TO IMPROVE/PROMOTE COMMERCIAL RETAIL
- NEW GREEN EDGE ON WEST SIDE OF STATE STREET WITH POCKET PARKS

LEGEND:

..... NEW BIKE LANE



10' WIDENING OF STREET



PRIORITY RENOVATION



ESTABLISHED PRESENCE



DEMO



NEW GREEN EDGE



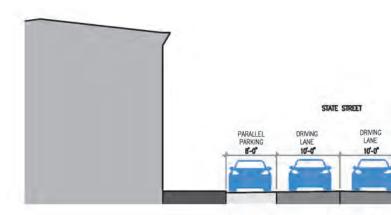




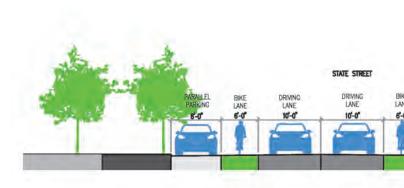


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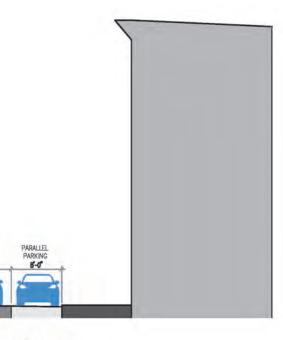


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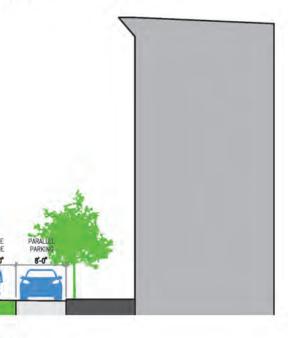


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NEAVE AND STORRS STREET



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KEY INTERNAL SITES

- · WIDEN SIDEWALKS AT INTERSECTIONS
- INTRODUCE NEW PAVING AND CROSSWALKS AT INTERSECTIONS TO SLOW DOWN TRAFFIC
- STRATEGIC REHAB AND UPGRADING OF EXISTING BUILDINGS
- OPEN UP STOREFRONTS, PROVIDE TRANSPARANCY
- · ADD STREET TREES AND LIGHTING
- RECLAIM VACANT BUILDINGS
- VACANT LOTS: PROVIDE OFF STREET PARKING FOR RESIDENTS, POCKET PARK OR INFILL PROJECT.
- STOP SIGN AT BURNS AND HATMAKER

LEGEND:

RESURFACE INTERSECTION

ESTABLISHED PRESENCE









NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENTS | KEY DEVE



PARK CONNECTOR

- CREATE NORTH CONNECTOR TO PARK: EXTEND WALKING PATH NEXT TO VIADUCT + CREATE CROSSING PATH ON EVANS STREET
- CREATE PEDESTRIAN CROSSWALK AT NORTH END OF BURNS
- CREATE SOUTH CONNECTOR TO PARK: CREATING CROSSING PATH ON EVANS STREET
- ACTIVATE SPACE BELOW RIVERDRIVE VIADUCTS WITH PROGRAM OR INSTALLATION: CREATE SKATE PARK / LIGHT
- EVALUATE TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT INTERSECTION OF RIVER DRIVE AND STATE STREET FOR PEDESTRIAN CROSSING
- CREATE PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE OVER RAILWAY TO CONNECT TO FUTURE RIVER PARK

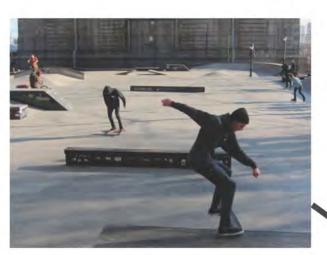
LEGEND:

PEDESTRIAN CONNECTION



ESTABLISHED PRESENCE

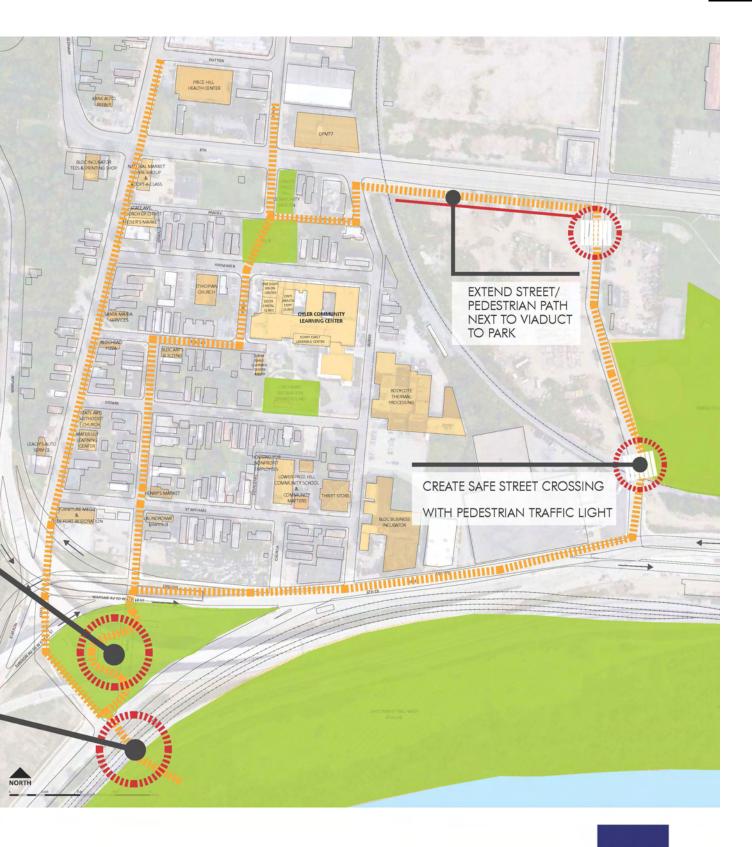








EAST EDGE | PARK CONNECTOR



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