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City of New Castle
Preliminary Housing Analysis

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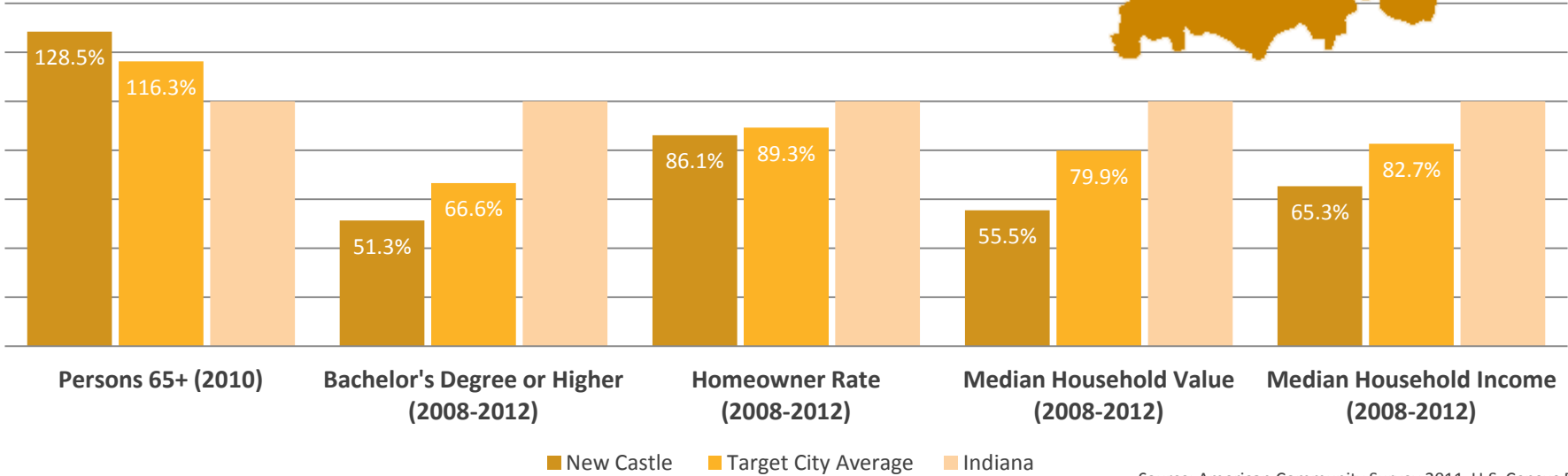




ANALYSIS SUMMARY

If you compare New Castle to all cities within Indiana with populations between 10,000-25,000, this is the result...

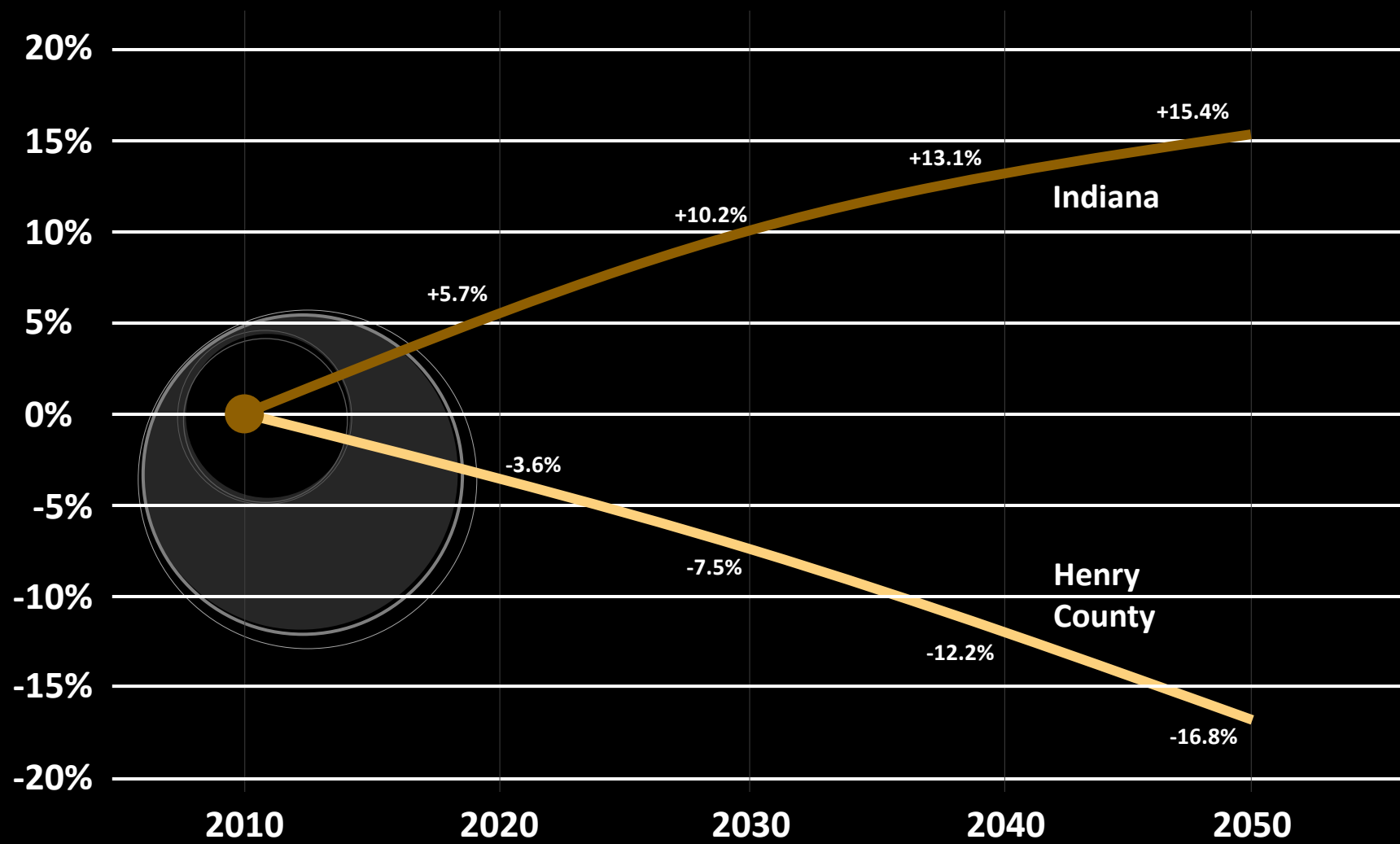
NEW CASTLE COMPARATIVE DATA



Source: American Community Survey 2011, U.S. Census Bureau

FUTURE HOUSING NEEDS

POPULATION PROJECTIONS



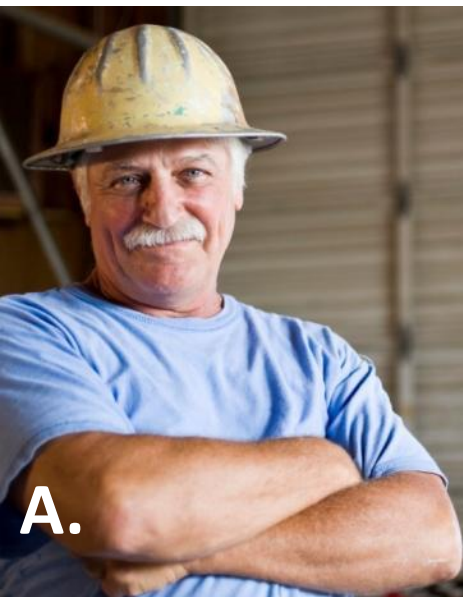
Indiana Population Growth from 2005 to 2040:

15%

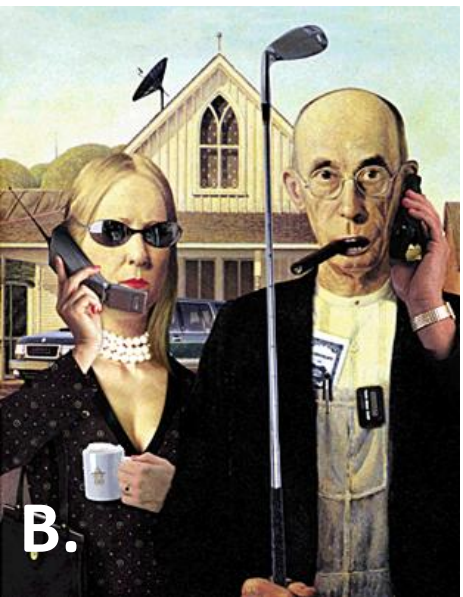
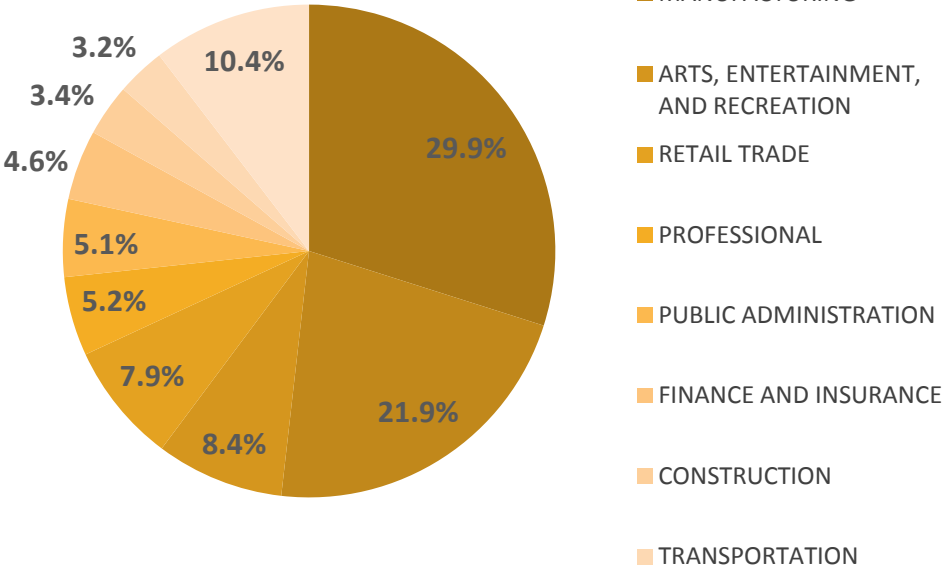
for 65+ POPULATION

90%

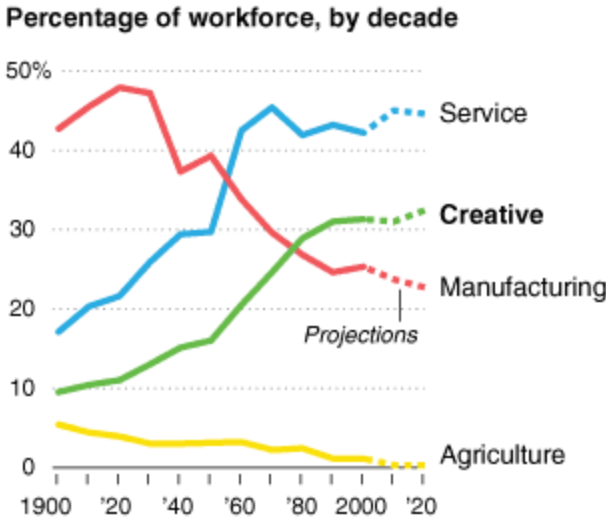
FUTURE HOUSING NEEDS



CONSOLIDATE
Begin to strategic consolidate housing in an effort to align with the projected economic trajectory of the major market sectors.



DIVERSIFY
Develop strategies to utilize diverse and inclusive housing options as a catalyst in attracting new demographics (e.g., Creative Class, Empty Nesters, Retirees, etc.) in an effort to mitigate projected population shifts.



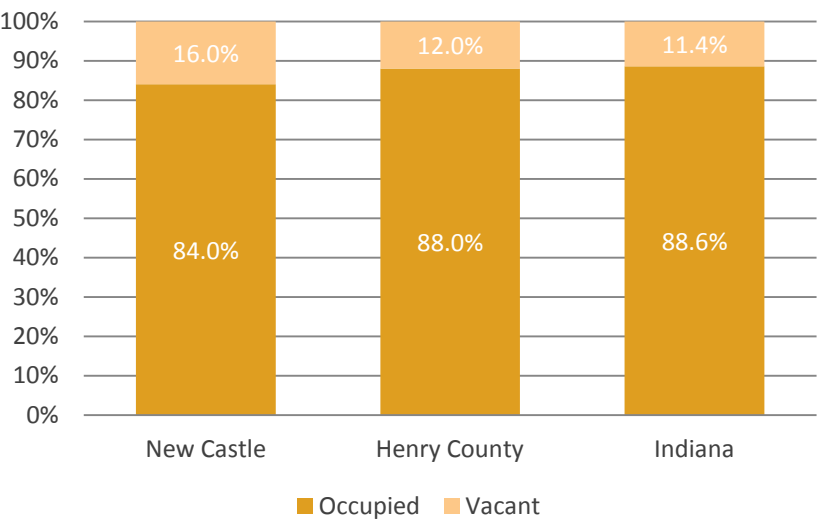


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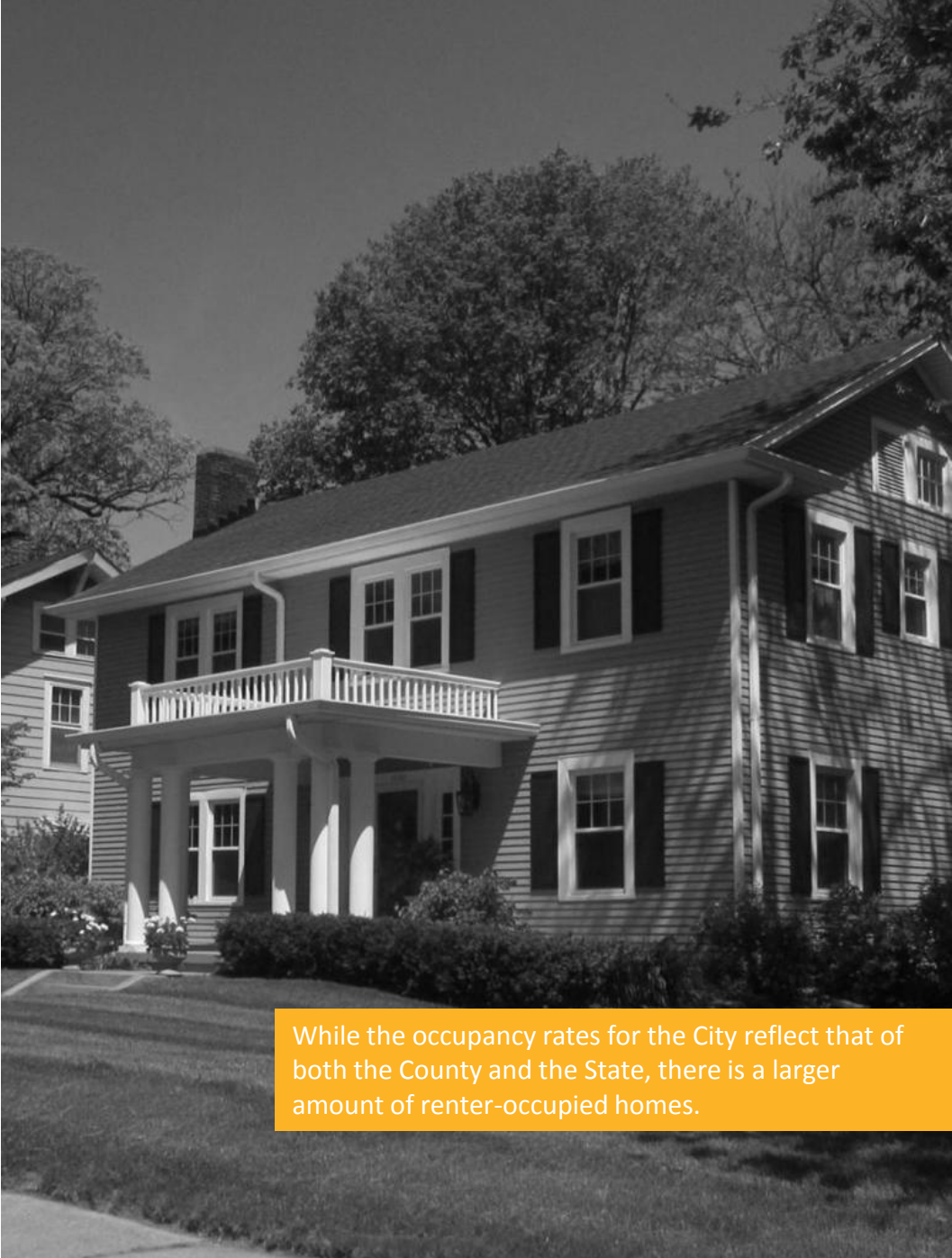
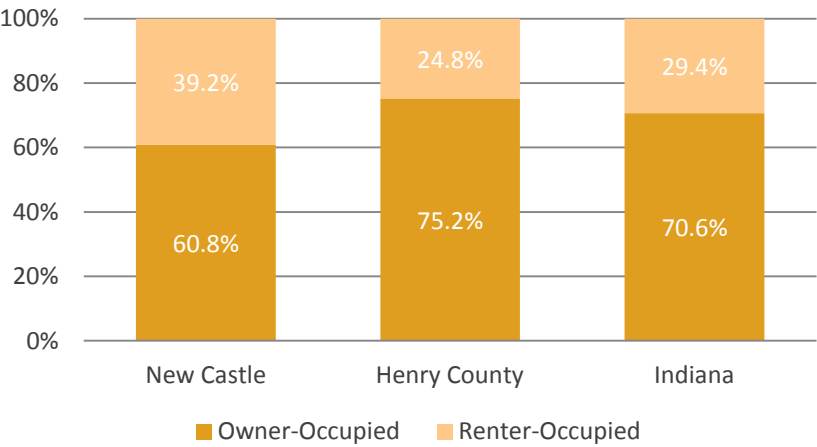
HOUSING DATA + ANALYSIS SUMMARY

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HOUSING OCCUPANCY



HOUSING TENURE

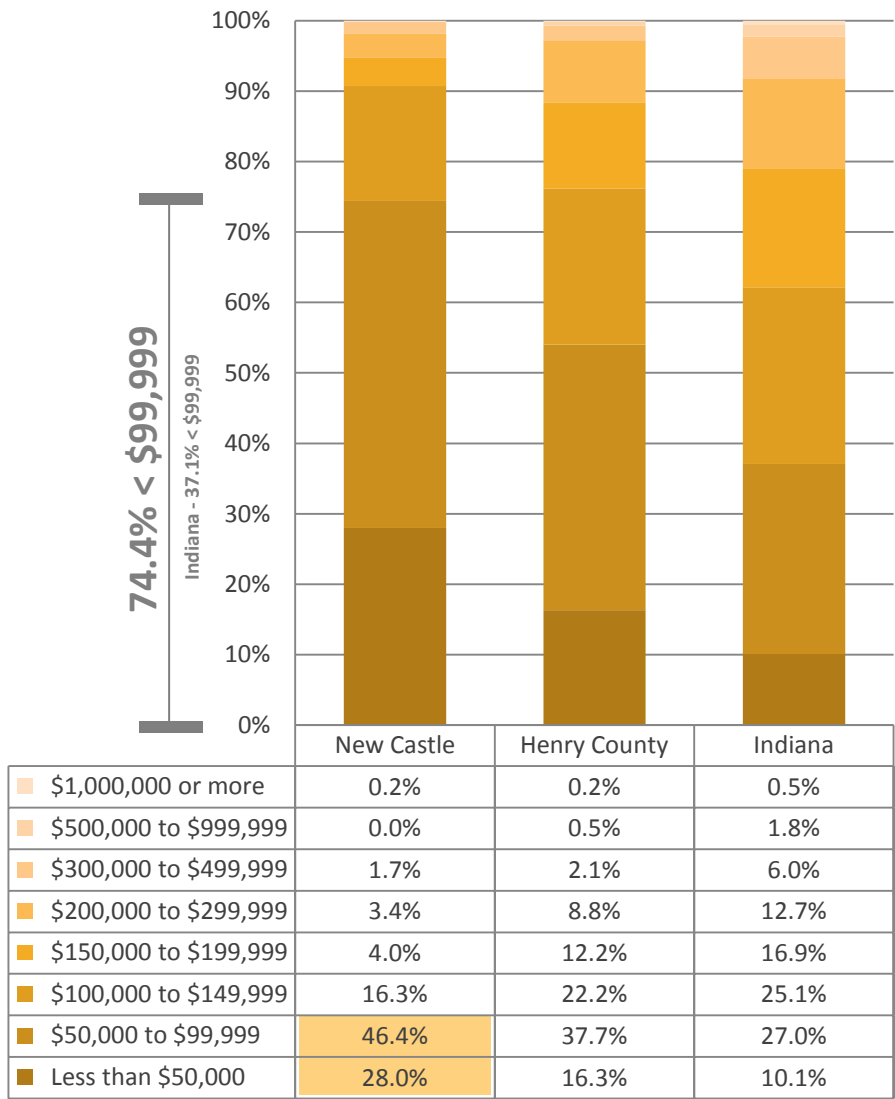


While the occupancy rates for the City reflect that of both the County and the State, there is a larger amount of renter-occupied homes.

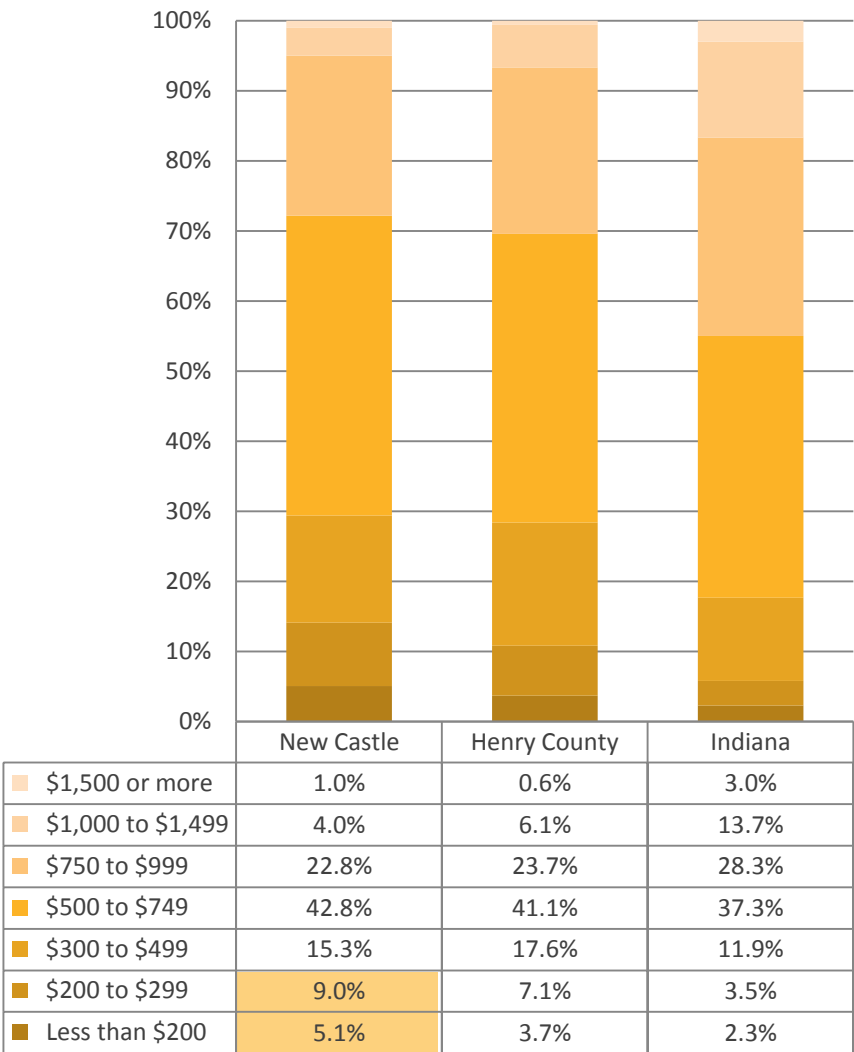
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HOUSING VALUE

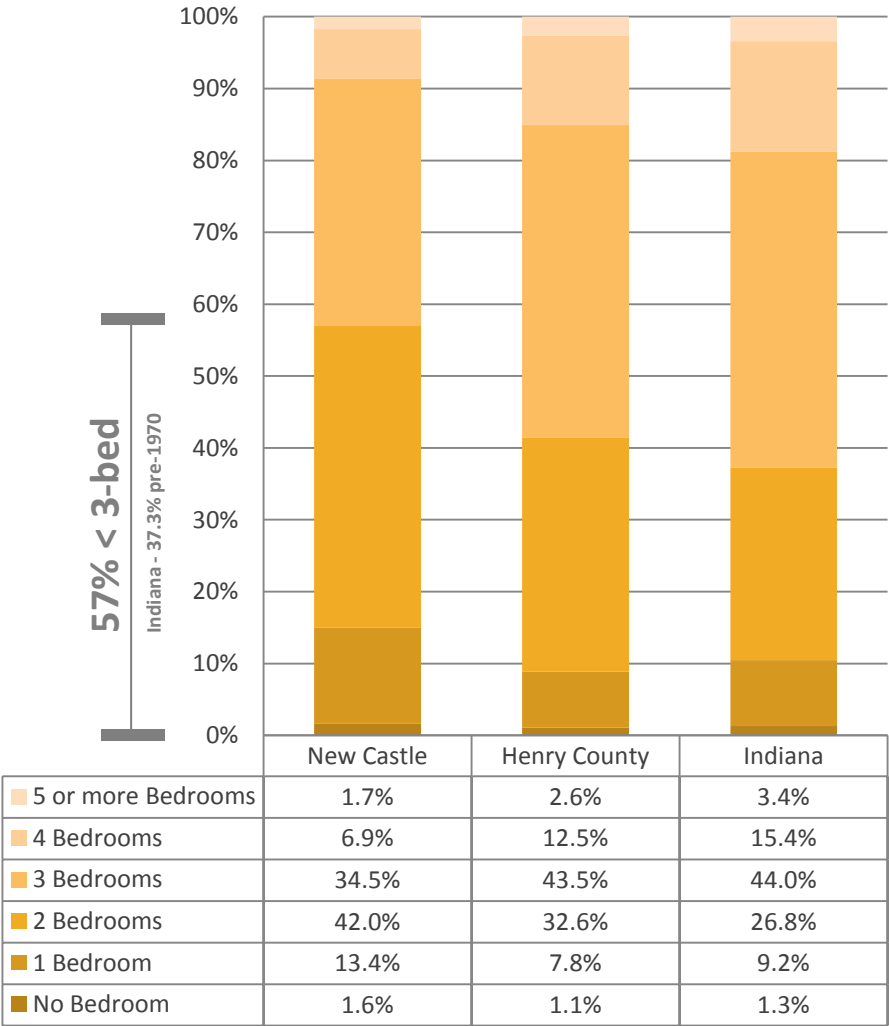


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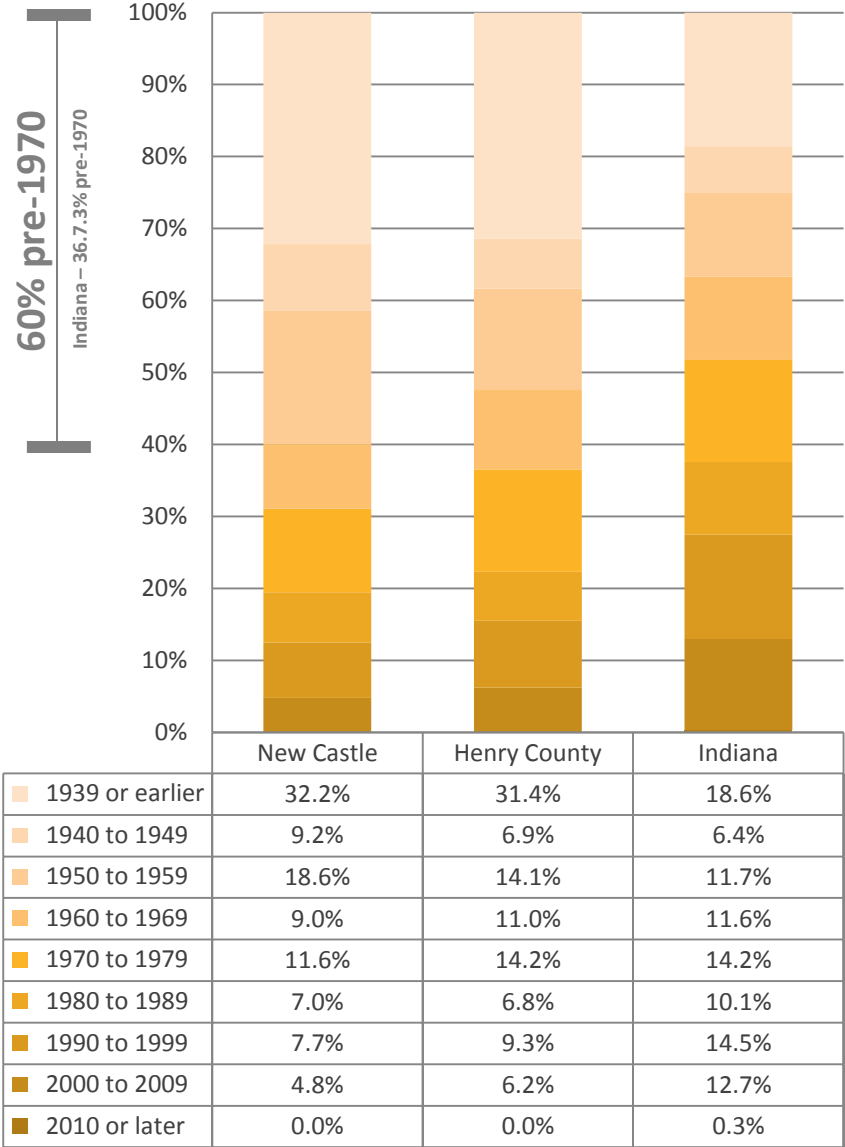


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BEDROOMS



YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT



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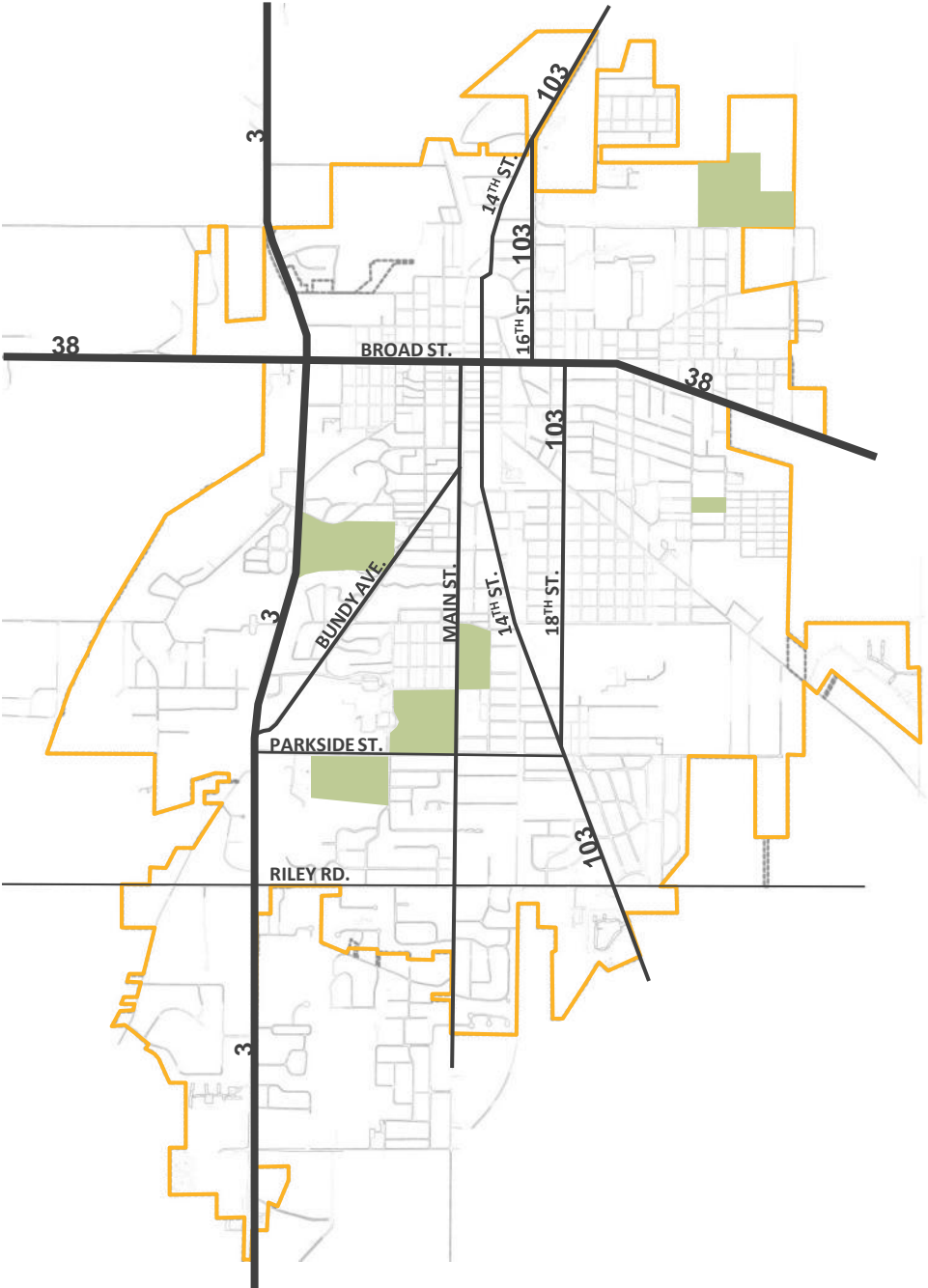
HOUSING DATA + ANALYSIS

Housing can be looked at in various ways. Beyond the physical structure, it is important to understand HOW people live in their homes and explore how this quality of life can be enhanced. For example, New Castle tends to be:

29% Home Town
Wealth – Lower Middle; Household Type – Mixed
We’re a mix of singles and families of different ages in settled, low-density communities. We’re content to stay close to home; although we may move from one house to another, we seldom cross county lines. Most of us who work have jobs in manufacturing, retail, and service. We like to go fishing, and play baseball, bingo, backgammon, and video games. We watch shows on CMT, Nick at Nite, Game Show Network (GSN), and TV Land. We shop at Belk and Wal-Mart, and also buy Avon products.

23% Salt of the Earth
Wealth –Middle; Household Type – Families
Settled, hard-working, and self-reliant, we’re married couples with or without kids. We own and live in single-family houses in small towns or rural areas. Even though we’re somewhat older, many of us still have professional or managerial jobs in mining, manufacturing, construction, and agriculture. Others are skilled laborers. We love and work on our vehicles; some of us own three. Most of us drive a truck; many ride a motorcycle. Two pets, most often dogs or cats, are part of the family. We’ll tackle small home improvement projects, hunt, fish, and go target shooting, to country music concerts and car races.

11% Simple Living
Wealth – Lower Middle; Household Type – Singles
We are older singles who live alone or share housing; others are married couple families. We’re in urban outskirts or suburbs across the US. Nearly half of us receive Social Security. We live in older single-family houses, assisted living facilities, and multi-unit buildings. More than half of us rent. Our activities vary by age; the younger ones go dancing, and play softball and volleyball. Seniors go to Bingo Nights. Many seniors don’t own a PC cell phone, or DVD player; however, we watch a lot of daytime TV, so cable is a must.



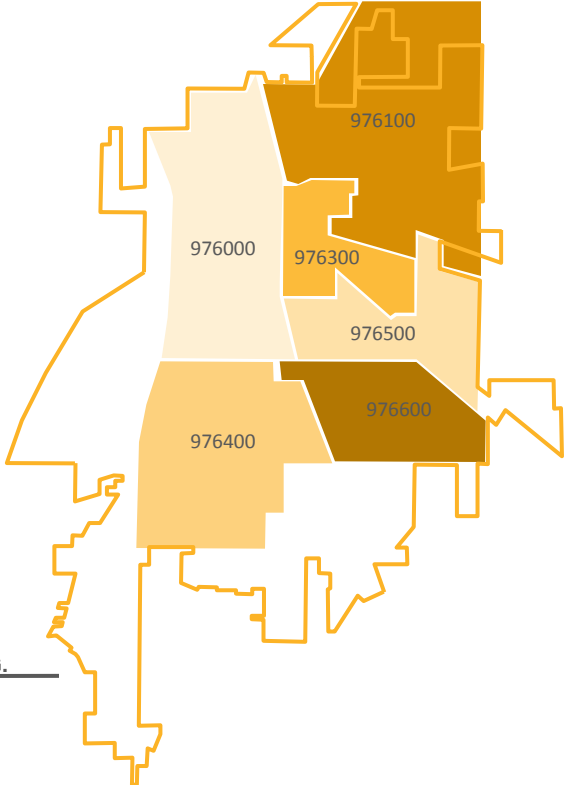
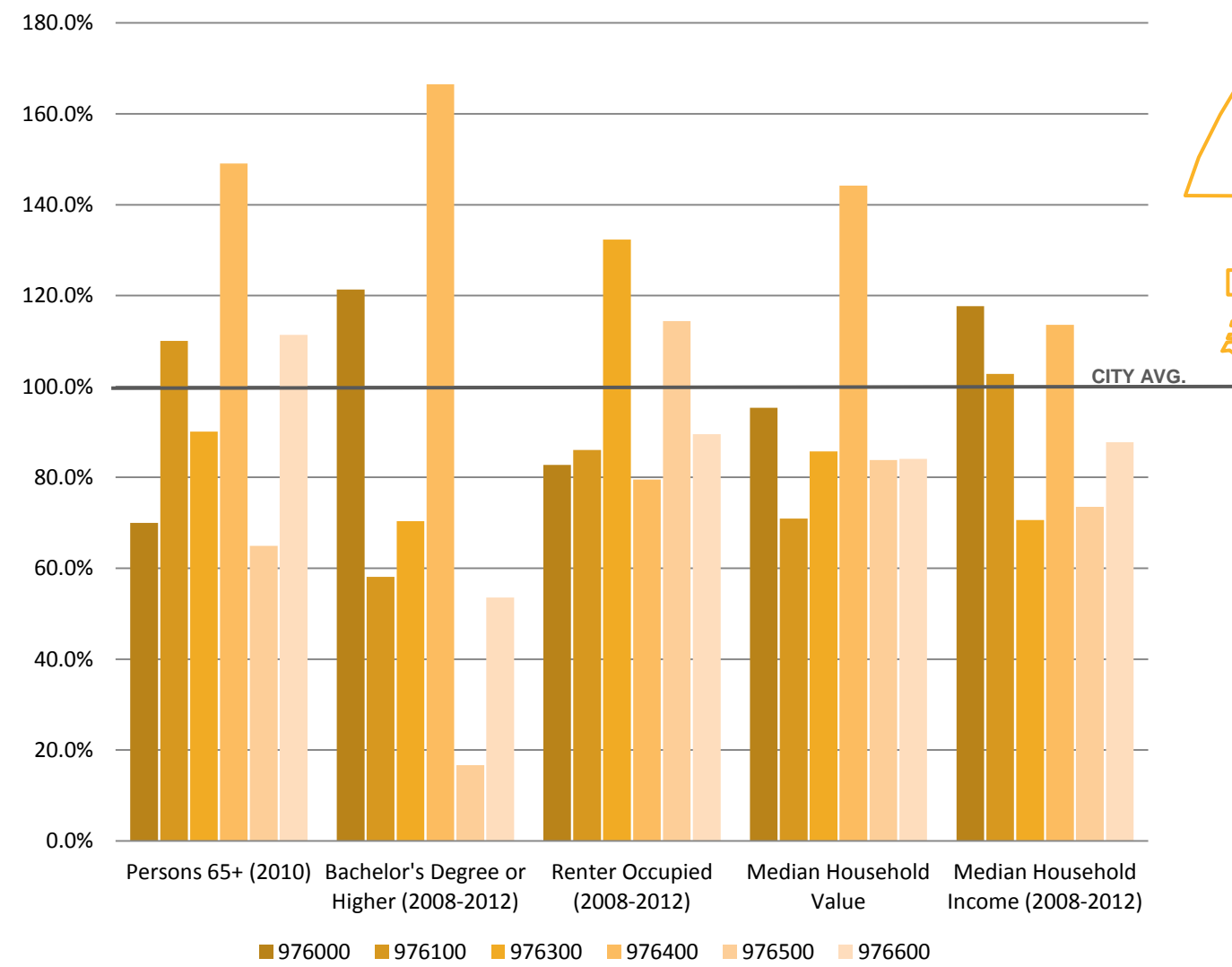


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DEMOGRAPHIC DATA + ANALYSIS

DEMOGRAPHICS SUBGROUPS

CENSUS TRACT COMPARISON

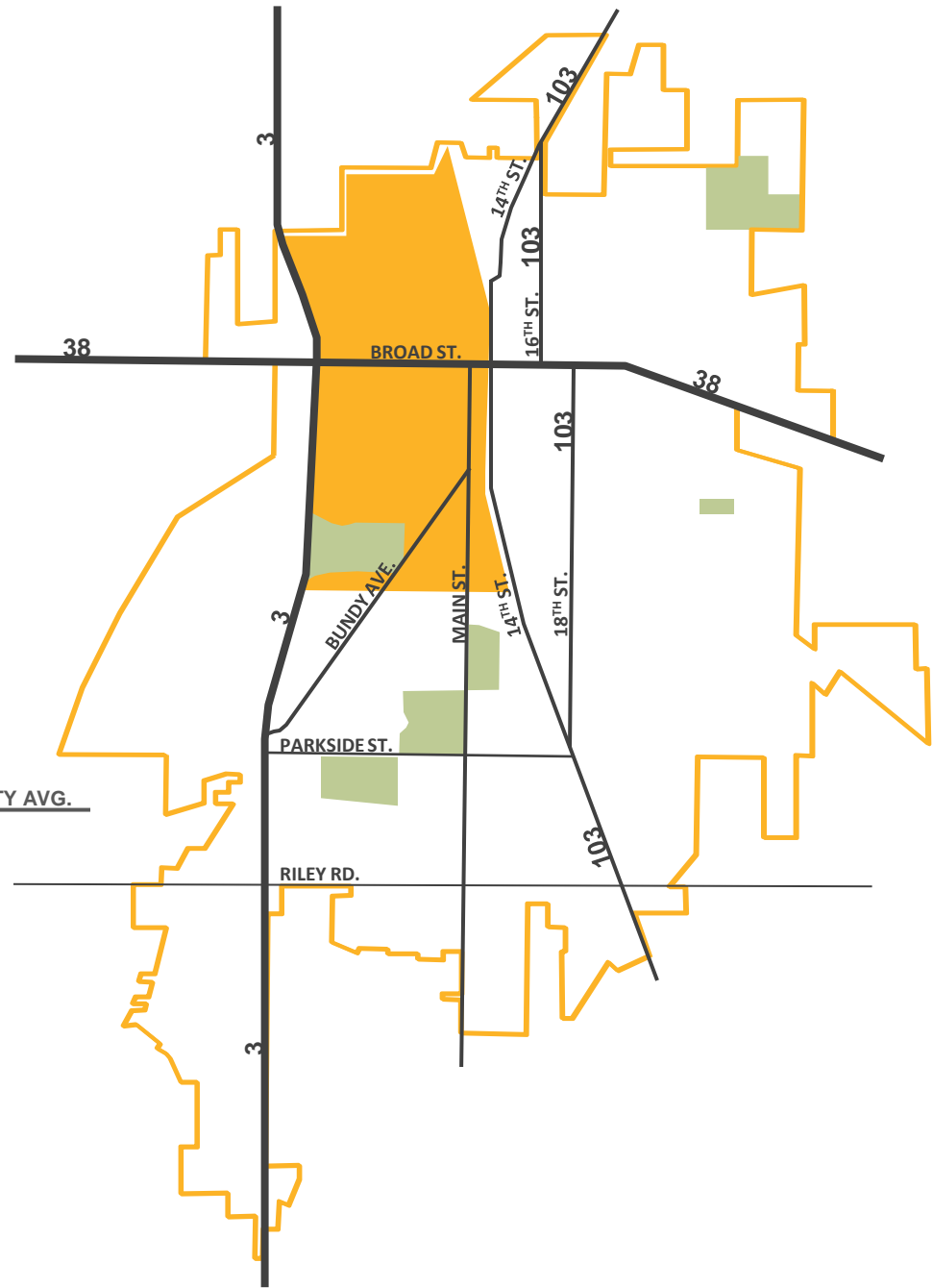
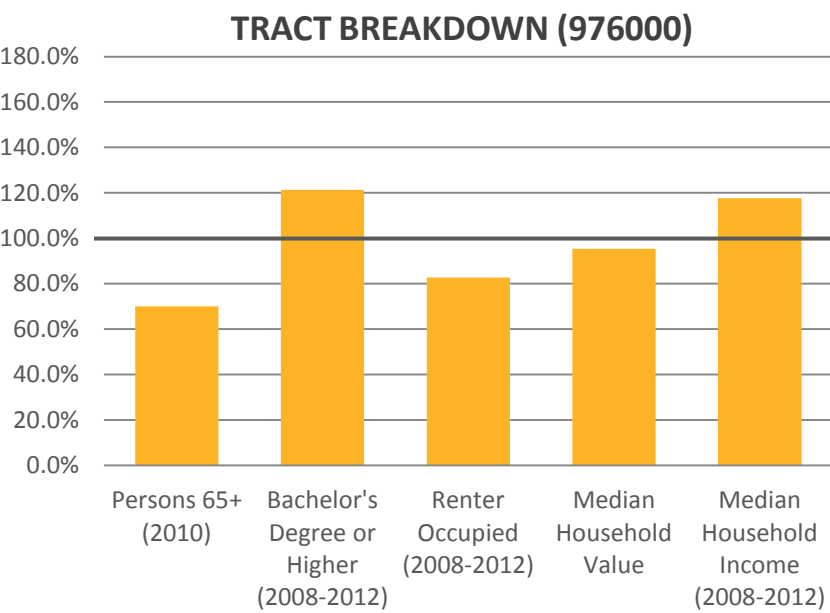


UNDERSTANDING SUBGROUPS
While the City averages for various metrics can be compared to regional benchmarks, to understand the complexity of the community's current condition it is helpful to understand these measures in smaller subgroups. Here is a comparison of the City's various census tracts.

DEMOGRAPHICS SUBGROUPS

AREA DIFFERENTIATORS INCLUDE:

- Historic District
- Downtown/Urban Core
- Higher Education Attainment
- Higher Median Household Income
- Young Demographic
- Topography
- Amenities Include:
 - Courthouse; South Mound Cemetery; Highway 3 Commercial Corridor

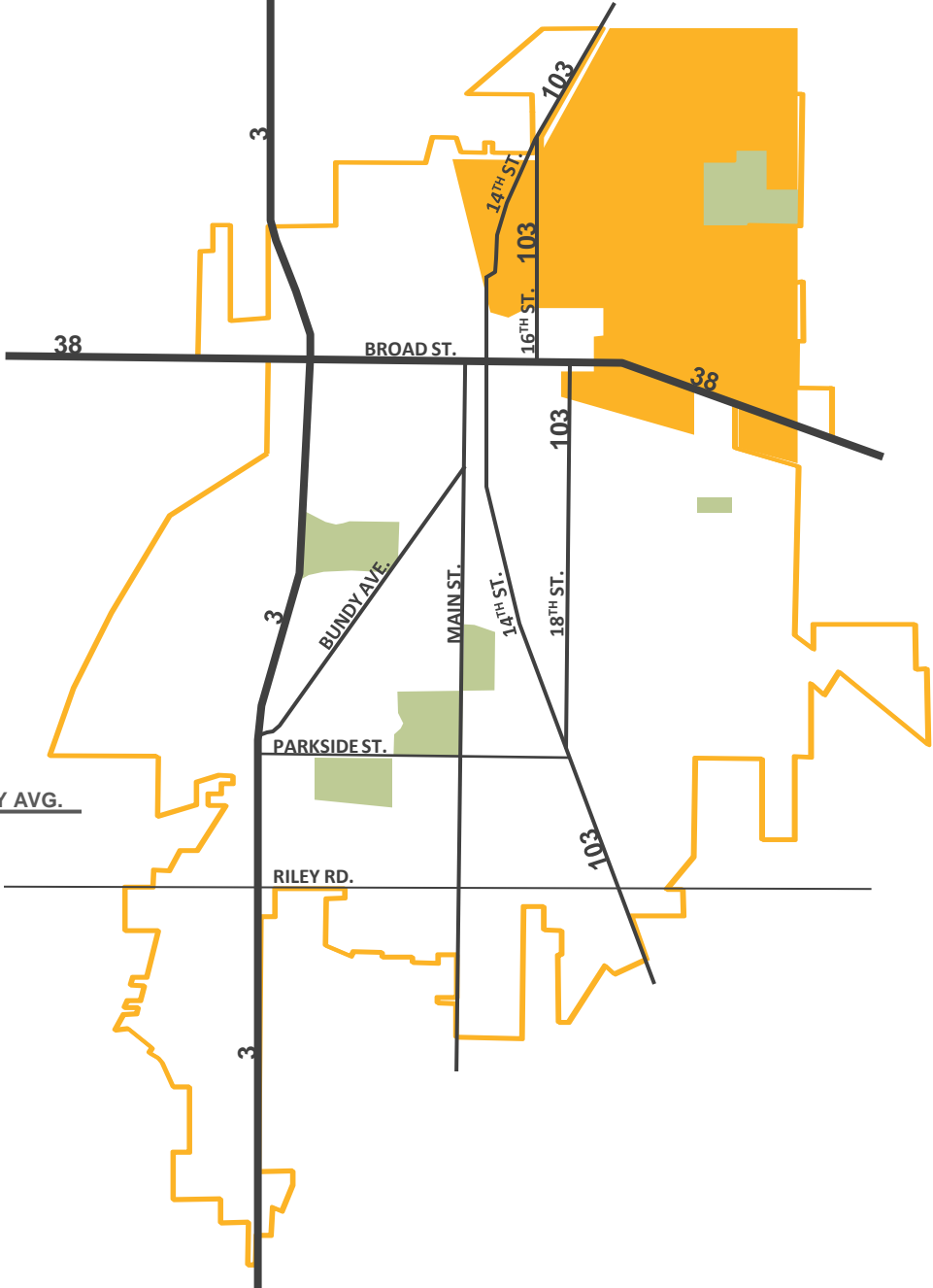
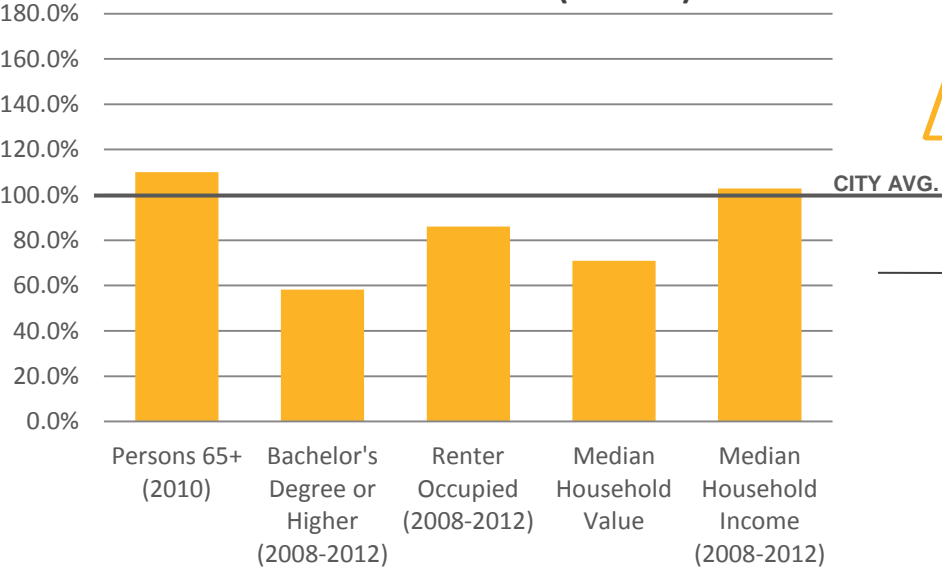


DEMOGRAPHICS SUBGROUPS

AREA DIFFERENTIATORS INCLUDE:

- Older Demographics
- Lower Educational Attainment
- Lower Median Household
- Amenities Include:
 - Henry County Hospital; Medical Park; Osbourne Park

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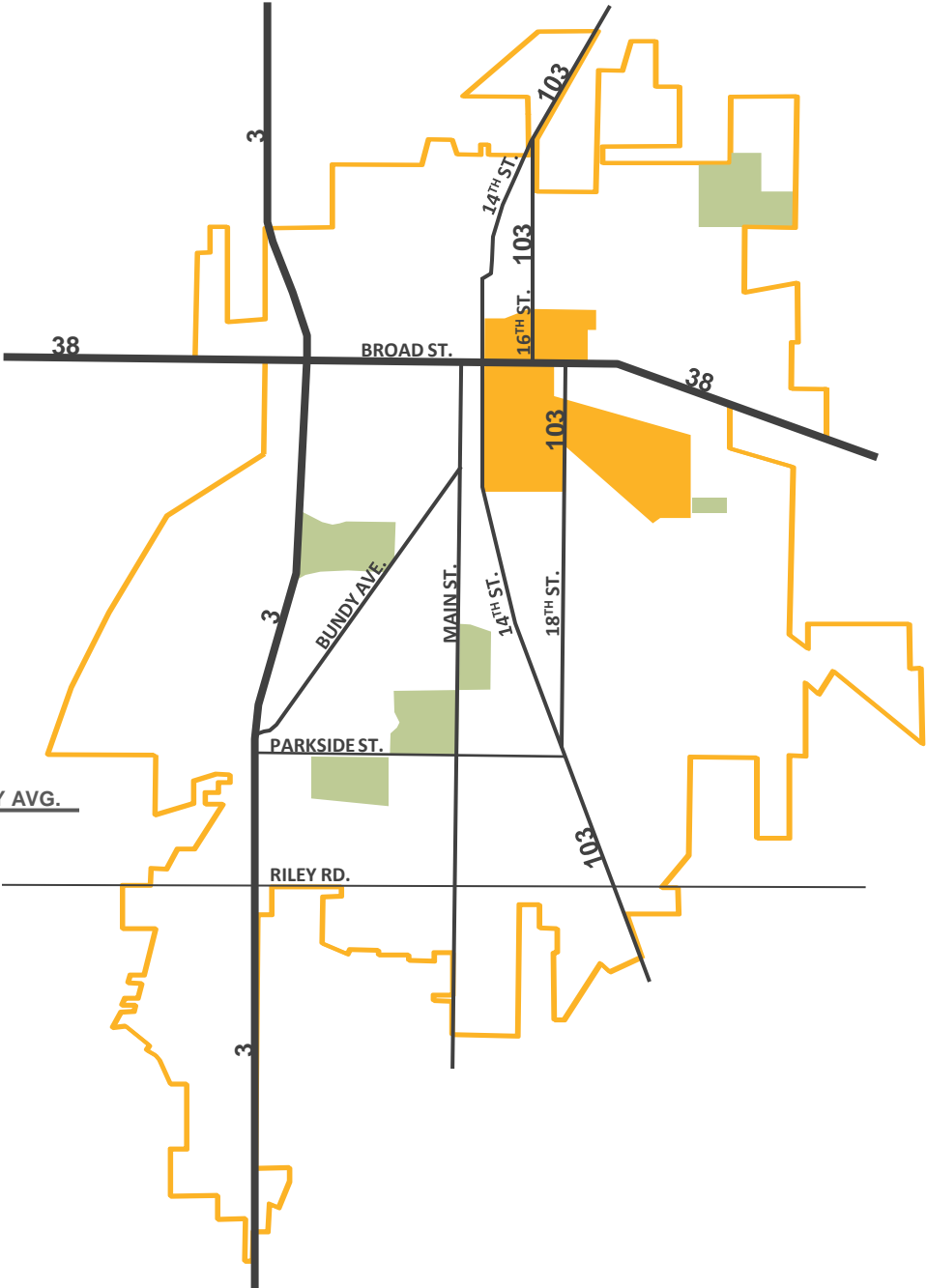
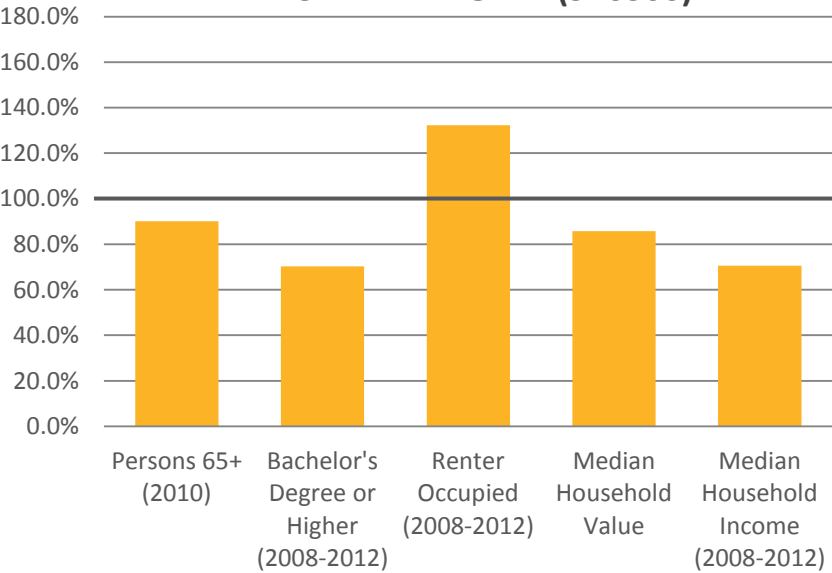


DEMOGRAPHICS SUBGROUPS

AREA DIFFERENTIATORS INCLUDE:

- Younger Demographic
- Lower Educational Attainment
- Higher Renter Mix
- Lower Median Household Income
- East Downtown
- Amenities Include:
 - Eastwood Elementary School

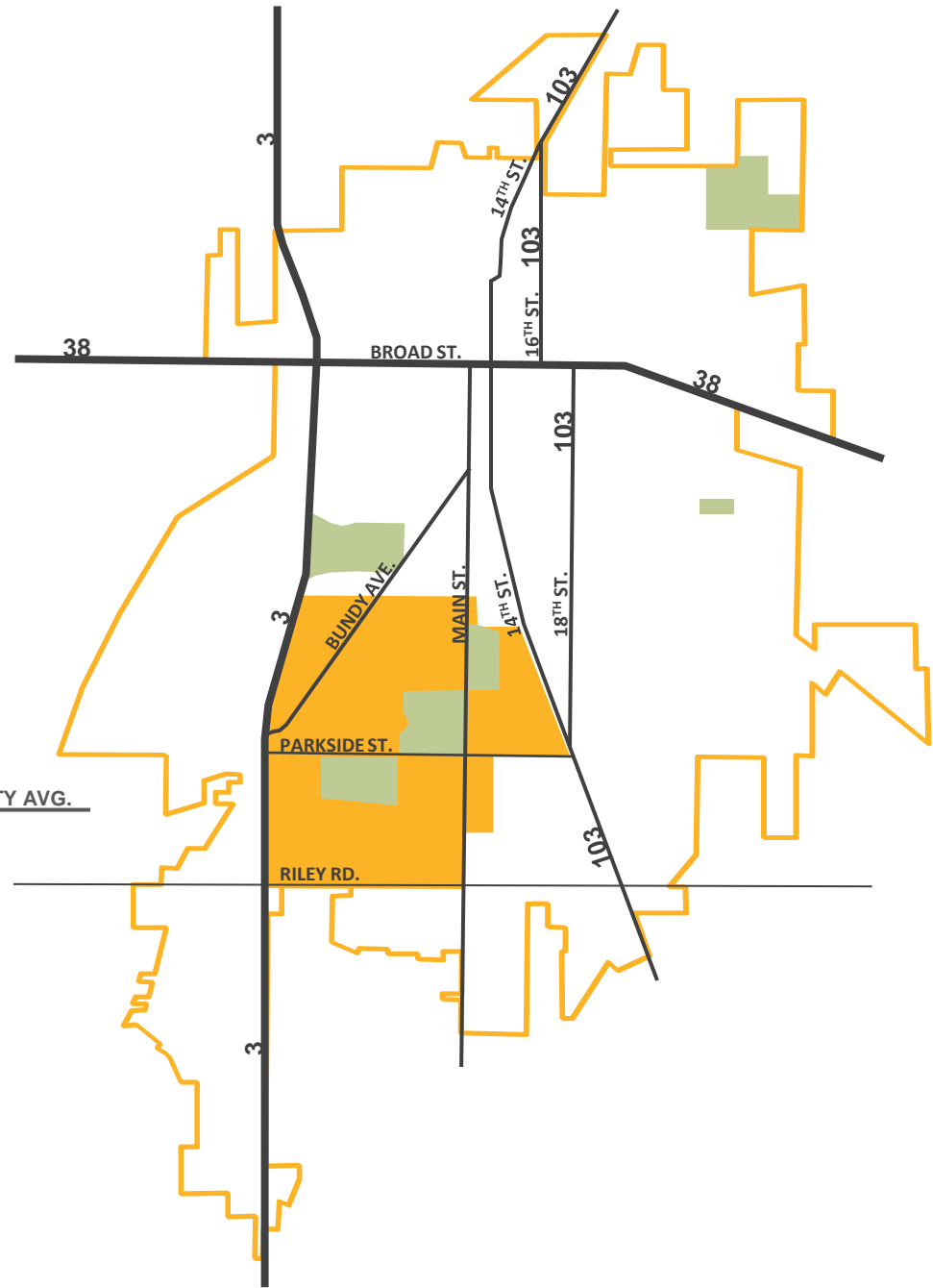
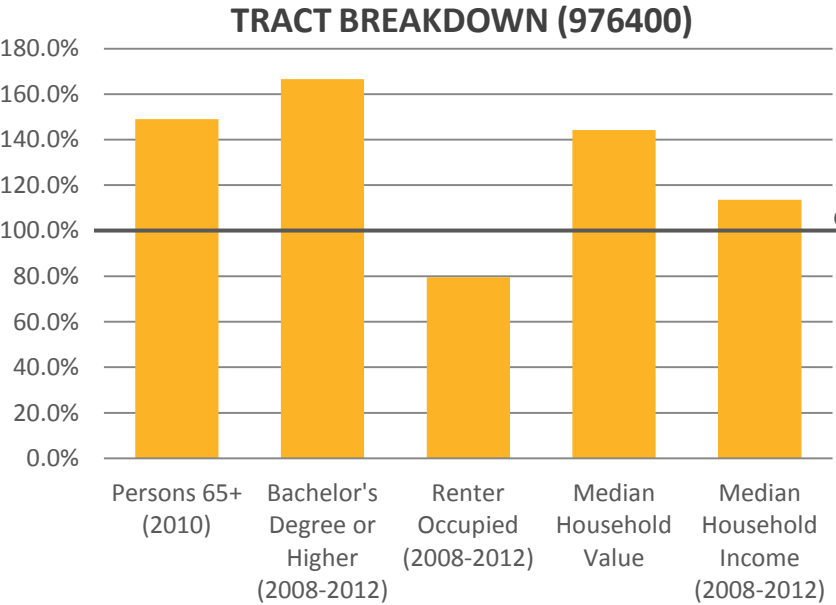
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DEMOGRAPHICS SUBGROUPS

AREA DIFFERENTIATORS INCLUDE:

- Older Demographic
- Higher Household Value
- Higher Median Household Income
- Higher Educational Attainment
- Amenities Include:
 - Babe Ruth Park; Baker Park and Aquatic Center;

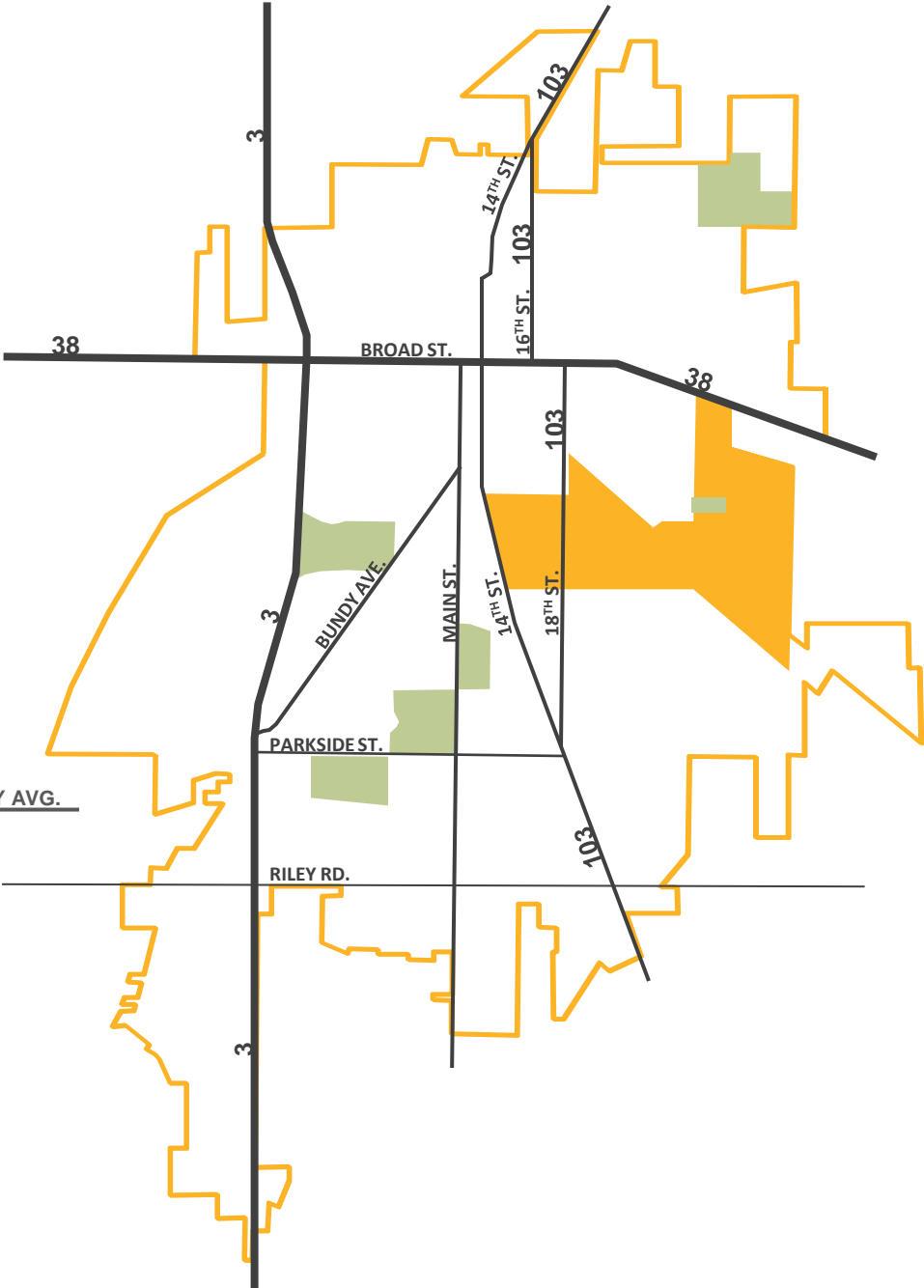
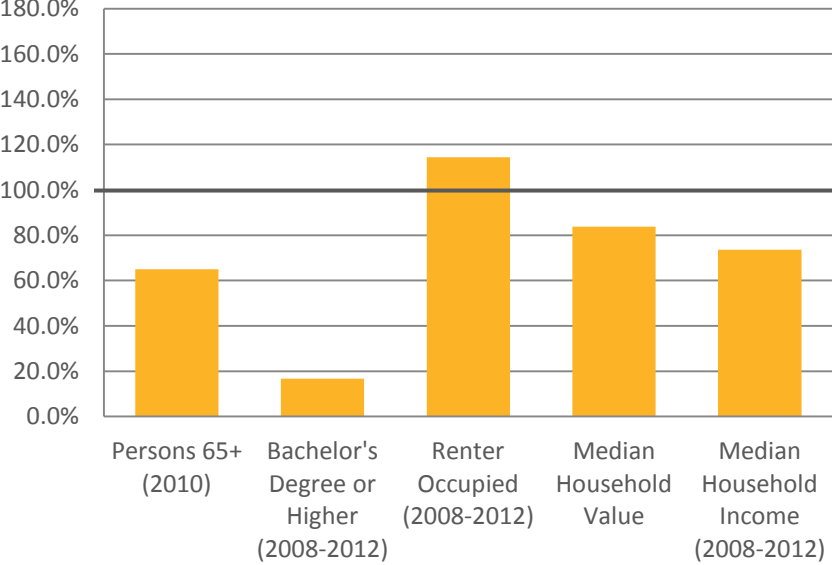


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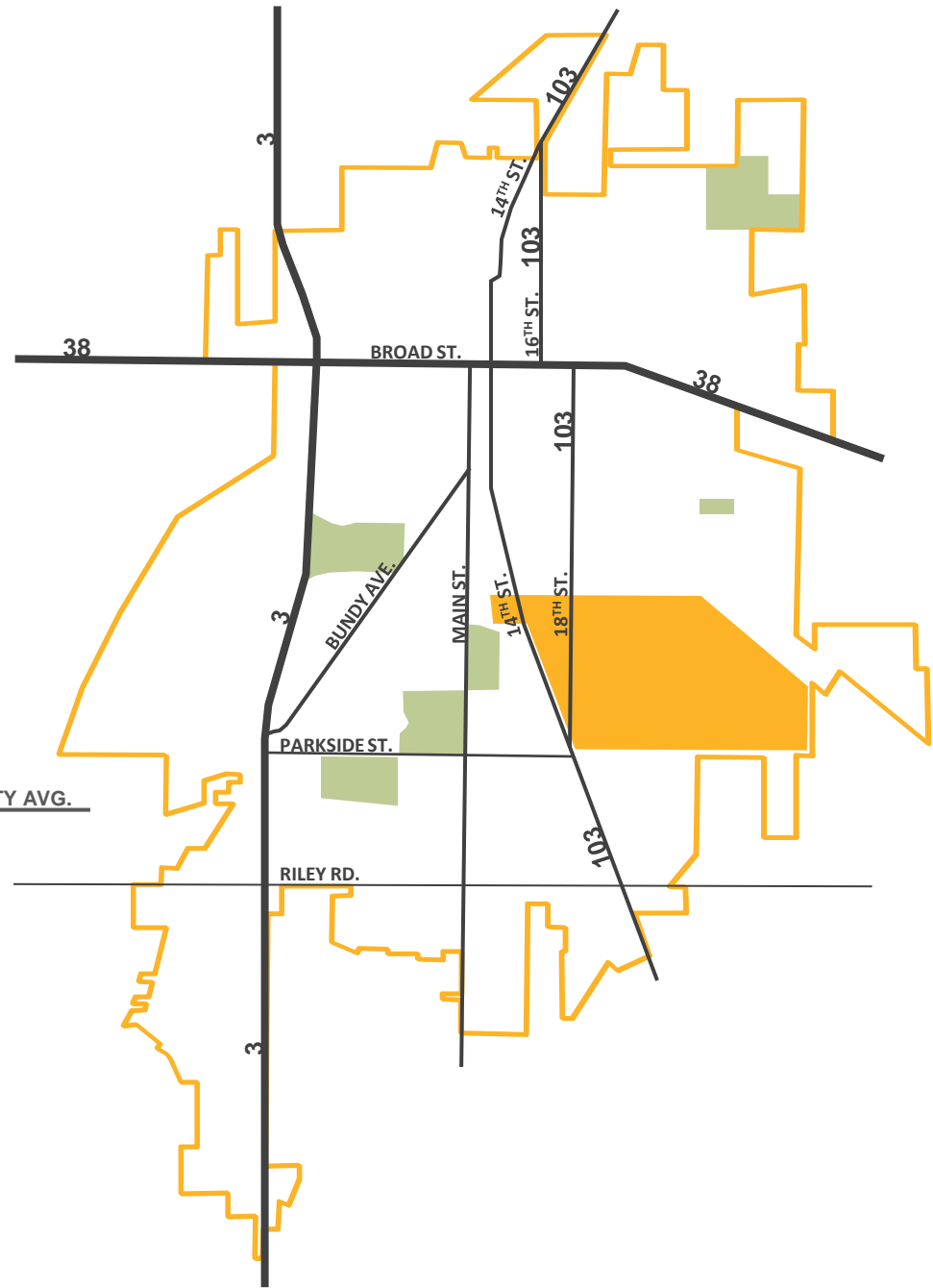
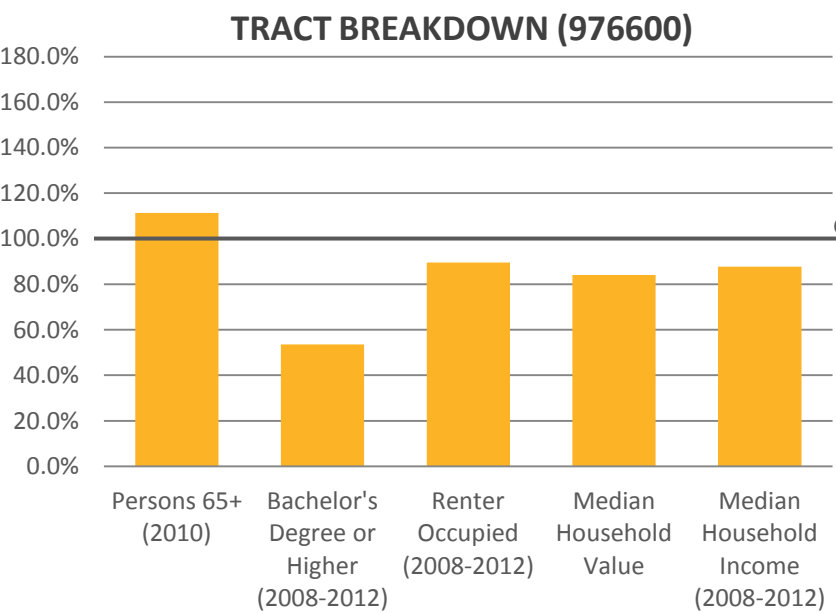
- Younger Demographic
- Extremely Low Educational Attainment
- Lower Median Household Value
- Lower Median Household Income
- Proposed Belmont Redevelopment Project
- Amenities Include:
 - Lowe Park, Crede New Castle Foundry;

TRACT BREAKDOWN (976500)



HOUSING DATA + ANALYSIS

- AREA DIFFERENTIATORS INCLUDE:**
- Older Demographic
 - Lower Educational Attainment
 - Amenities include:
 - Crown Equipment USA (TIF District)





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PLACE ATTACHMENT & ENGAGEMENT

PLACE ATTACHMENT



WHERE we live changes HOW we live.
The places we inhabit have a direct impact on our everyday routine.



INDEPENDENCE + ENGAGEMENT

PLACE ATTACHMENT

Successful cities consistently prioritize communal attachment through three categories:

- ***Social Offerings***: Places for people to meet each other and the feeling that people in the community care about each other.
- ***Openness***: How welcoming the community is to different types of people, including families with young children, minorities, and talent.
- ***Aesthetics***: The physical beauty of the community including the availability of parks and green spaces.

Attachment is critical to economic development. Communities with the highest levels of attachment had the highest rates of gross domestic product (GDP) growth.



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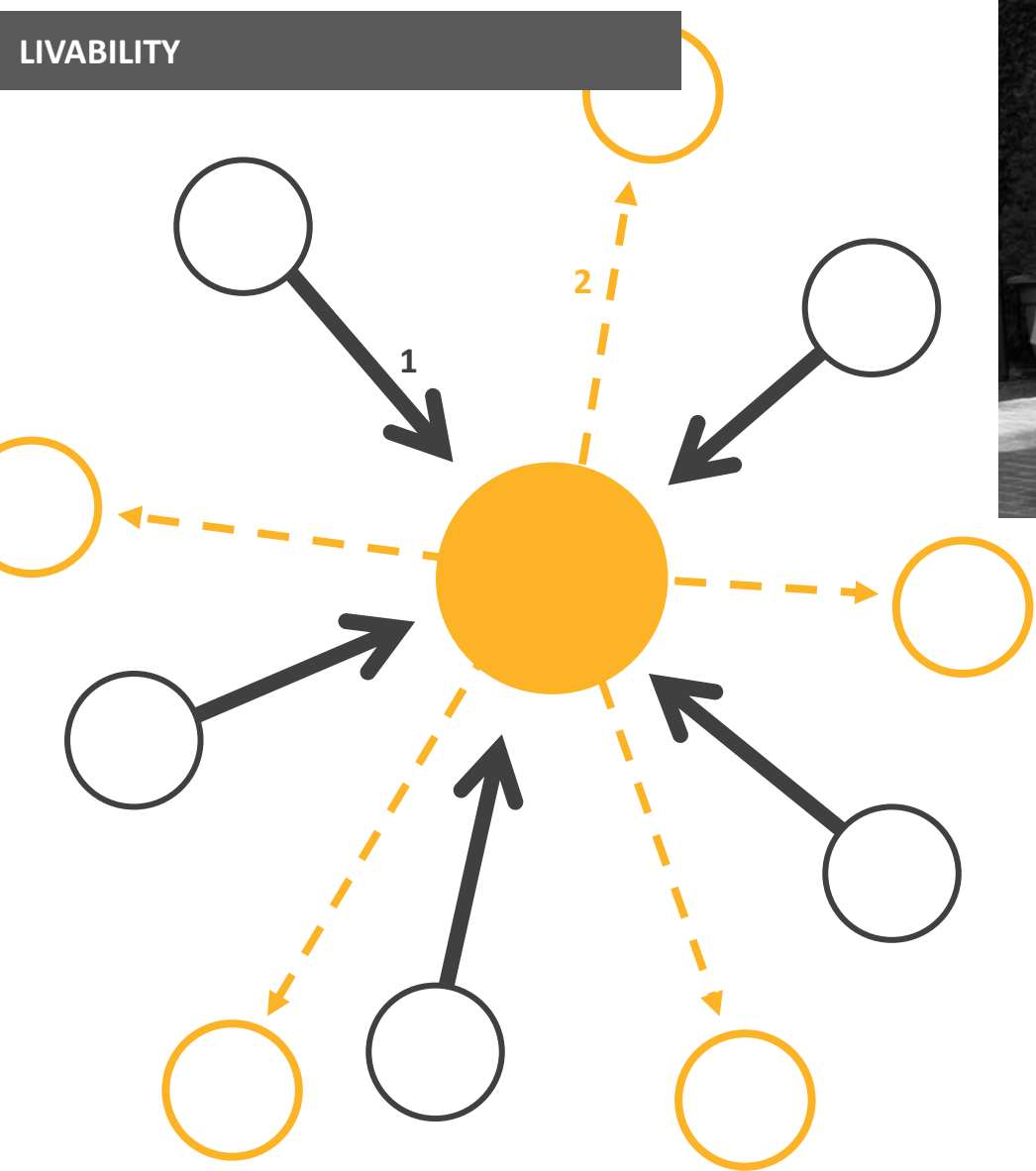
MODELS FOR SUCCESSFUL LIVING

lifetime community district(s)

The purpose of a Lifetime Community District (LCD) is to formally adopt a strategy that incentivizes development designed to promote the physical, social, mental, and economic wellbeing for persons of all ages and abilities across the entire lifespan.



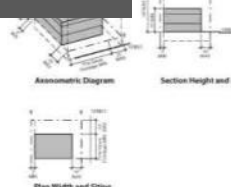

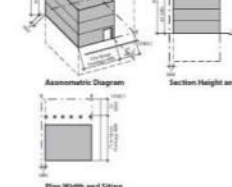
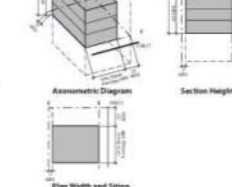
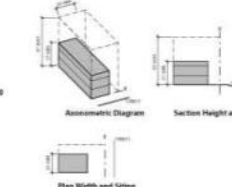
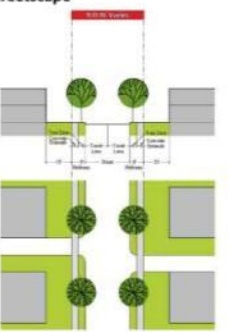
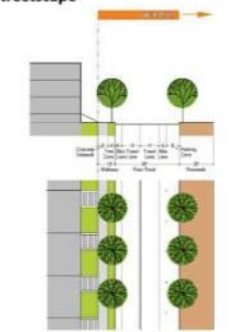
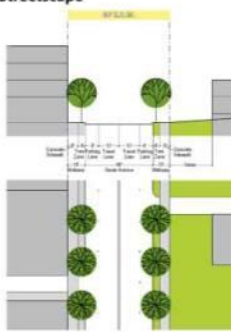
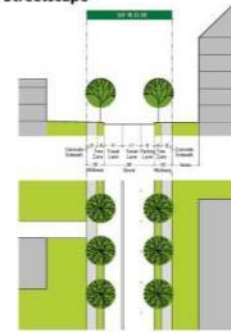
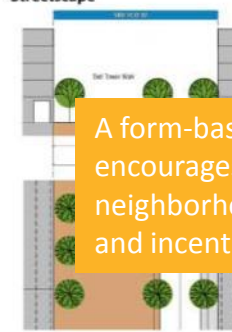
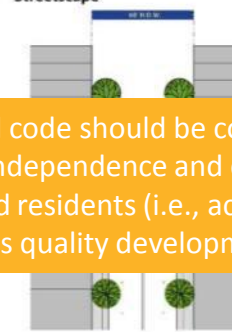
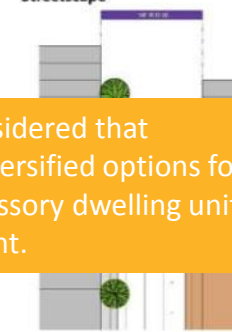









LIVABILITY



While many organizations and services are provided within the community to assist people of all ages and abilities, the LCD should consider rethinking how the success of these services are measured. If the goal of each of these services was to empower local residents to be more active members of their surrounding community (e.g., shopping, working, etc.) these populations can begin to serve as a critical mass for the neighborhood. This reciprocal revitalization strategy can serve as the backbone to the LCD mission.

- **SENIOR POPULATION:** Seniors retained within existing community or migrating from outside the community.
- **SENIOR SERVICE NETWORK:** (e.g., in-home care, transportation, etc.)
- **LOCAL ECONOMY:** private sector institutions benefiting from growing senior population (e.g., medical retail, restaurants, wellness facilities, etc.)
- **INITIAL NETWORK:** Services aimed at accommodating the supportive needs of seniors.
- - - → **RESULTANT NETWORK:** Socio-economic activity offered by concentrated populations of engaged senior populations.

Diagrams	Diagrams	Diagrams	Diagrams	Diagrams	Diagrams	Diagrams
						
Description A. Site Configuration Front Setback: 10'-25' Frontage: 40% minimum Side Setback: 5' minimum Lot Size: 15,000 sq ft maximum (avg existing) B. Building Configuration Building Width: 20' minimum Building Height: 35' and 3 story maximum Entrances: Individual entrances of housing units must be located on principal frontage road. C. Parking Location: Garages must be setback from the street 10' further than front building setback. Access is also permitted to garage from rear alley. D. Notes 1. Balconies and porch projections are encouraged. 2. Buildings designed by natural causes or fire may be rebuilt on their existing footprint. 3. Gardens are allowed within property boundaries. E. Incentives 1. To Be Determined	Description A. Site Configuration Front Setback: 10' maximum Frontage: 75% minimum Lot Size: 3 acre maximum B. Building Configuration Building Width: 20'-30' segments Building Height: 25' and 2 story minimum 40' and 3 story maximum Entrances: Individual entrance of ground floor units must be located on principal frontage road. C. Parking Location: Garage or surface parking shall be located to the rear of the property. Parking shall be accessed from a rear alley or principle frontage road. D. Notes 1. Parking is permitted below primary structure in order to raise first floor above flood plain. 2. Balconies, porches, bay windows, or other projections may be incorporated into building setback. 3. Monolithic, unarticulated facades are prohibited. E. Incentives 1. To Be Determined	Description A. Site Configuration Front Setback: 10' maximum Frontage: 75% minimum Lot Size: 3 acre maximum B. Building Configuration Building Height: 25' and 2 story minimum 50' and 4 story maximum Entrances: Shared or individual entrances on Sevier Avenue C. Parking Location: Structured or surface parking in rear. D. Notes 1. Facades shall be built parallel to principle frontage road. 2. Excessively long facades shall be divided vertically to relate to the proportions of the historic building fabric. 3. On parcels that have a deep lot, additional structures may be located to the rear of the site. 4. Future light rail transit is envisioned for the existing freight rail line. E. Incentives 1. To Be Determined	Description A. Site Configuration Front Setback: 10' maximum Frontage: 50% minimum Lot Size: 3 acre maximum B. Building Configuration Building Height: 25' and 2 story minimum 60' and 5 story maximum C. Parking Location: Structured or surface parking below building or in rear/side. D. Notes 1. A long term vision of the masterplan identifies a pedestrian bridge connection from Campus Cove to the University of Tennessee. 2. Structured and surface parking shall be visually screened with landscape elements. 3. Rooftop mechanical units shall be screened from view. E. Incentives 1. To Be Determined	Description A. Site Configuration Front Setback: 0' (Build to Property Line) Frontage: 75% minimum on River Road and Sevier Ave. Lot Size: 3 acre maximum B. Building Configuration Building Height: 40' and 3 story minimum 80' and 6 story maximum C. Parking Location: Structured or surface parking below building or in rear. D. Notes 1. Building facades fronting Bell Tower Walk shall have a ground level pedestrian arcade. 2. Structured and surface parking shall be visually screened with landscape elements. 3. Rooftop mechanical units shall be screened from view. E. Incentives 1. To Be Determined	Description A. Site Configuration Front Setback: 0' (Build to Property Line) Frontage: 50% minimum Lot Size: 3 acre maximum B. Building Configuration Building Height: 40' and 3 story minimum 150' and 12 story maximum C. Parking Location: Structured or surface parking below building or in rear. D. Notes 1. A large scale parking structure is envisioned below the Henley Gateway Green (on the existing Baptist Hospital surface parking lot). 2. Future light rail transit is envisioned for the existing freight rail line. 3. Structured and surface parking shall be visually screened with landscape elements. 4. Rooftop mechanical units shall be screened from view. E. Incentives 1. To Be Determined	Description A. Site Configuration Lot Size: 1 acre maximum B. Building Configuration Building Height: 25' and 2 story minimum 45' and 4 story maximum Building Width: 20' minimum C. Parking Location: Structured or surface parking on side. D. Notes 1. Structured and surface parking shall be visually screened with landscape elements. 2. Rooftop mechanical units shall be screened from view. E. Incentives 1. To Be Determined
Streetscape 	Streetscape 	Streetscape 	Streetscape 	Streetscape 	Streetscape 	Streetscape 
Character The residential areas of the Old Sevier and Scottish Pike neighborhoods have the "feel of a small town". The residential areas identified in this plan should strive to preserve and reinforce this character where it exists with new development at a complementary scale. Uses on these parcels should be residential in nature with garages either setback from the street or accessed from the rear by back alleys. Large scale assemblage of residential properties in these areas is discouraged.	Character Residential development along River Road will create a new identity for the Knoxville South Waterfront. Buildings that front this street must be built to the River Road property line (10' maximum setback) and have primary entrances on River Road with parking to the rear of the site. Views to the river from Phillips Avenue and all north-south streets shall be preserved and/or enhanced. Public access to the river shall be allowed along the axis created by the north-south streets.	Character Sevier Avenue is the historic commercial heart of the Old Sevier neighborhood. It has the potential to play this role in the future. Historically, buildings with a mix of uses were built up to the street edge. New development in this area shall reinforce the continuity of the street-wall and eliminate the suburbanization of the street with buildings that are currently setback from the street with unsightly surface parking lots. Future parking will be allowed on street or to the rear of the new buildings.	Character People love to be near the water. These three areas, located between the riverfront and the new River Road and Blount Avenue, respectively, built on the recent residential development along the river's edge. New development in these zones should have a high-density with parking incorporated into parking structures or housed beneath the buildings when possible. Large surface parking lots are discouraged. A continuous riverfront promenade with public access unites these zones together. A possible pedestrian connection to the University of Tennessee would facilitate redevelopment in the Campus Cove.	Character Some of the highest density uses in the Knoxville South Waterfront are located in this area. New development is organized along a civic plaza called Bell Tower Walk. This space capitalizes on one of the most memorable icons in the Old Sevier neighborhood. The plaza creates a "window-to-the-water" from the Baptist Church on Sevier Avenue leading north to the riverfront. This plaza will serve as the central celebratory space for the local community and could be used in conjunction with the piers for small scale festivals and urban markets year-round. Buildings facing this linear open space are encouraged to have commercial development on the first floor.	Character A dominant, figural open space in the shape of a triangular wedge organizes development to the west of the hospital. The Henley Gateway identifies this zone surrounding the Baptist Hospital. The open space gateway provides views to the river and downtown. This zone acts as major new entrance to downtown Knoxville and a Chapman Highway gateway leading south to the Smoky Mountains. New development is clustered around this open space that contains a parking garage underneath. New development facing the park is envisioned as a complement to the surrounding institutional uses and scale of the Baptist Hospital.	Character This area is closely connected with the Bell Tower Walk. New development on this site is encouraged to be mixed-use and shall maximize view corridors to the river by orienting buildings perpendicular to the riverfront. Development that creates a continuous visual barrier to the Tennessee River is not permitted. Surface parking on this site shall be kept to a minimum. A new marina at the base of the Gay Street Bridge and boat ramp invite users to spend time on the water.
						

A form-based code should be considered that encourages independence and diversified options for neighborhood residents (i.e., accessory dwelling units) and incentives quality development.

STUDY AREAS + NEIGHBORHOODS

The housing study proposed to development unique for four distinct quadrants of the City, in an effort to development diverse, engaging neighborhoods. These areas are as follows:

Northside: Mimics the boundaries of the “Northside Livability Study – A Community Revitalization Planning Documents” by Sturtz Public Management Group, LLC. How can the downtown, historic district, and medical presence be leveraged to provide a unique and transformative identity?

Southeast: Anchored by Highways 103 and 38, the district is largely industrial. How can these area be enhanced to provide successful affordable housing with direct access to city amenities?

Southwest: Located along the Highway 3 spine, this areas consists of large commercial districts with detached housing. How can housing be looked at uniquely here?

Central: Located at the heart of the community, how can the existing housing stock, surrounding amenities, and unique demographics be used for catalytic development?

