

Providence
Community
Conversation

#WE ARE
Providence

Florida State University
Department of Urban and Regional Planning
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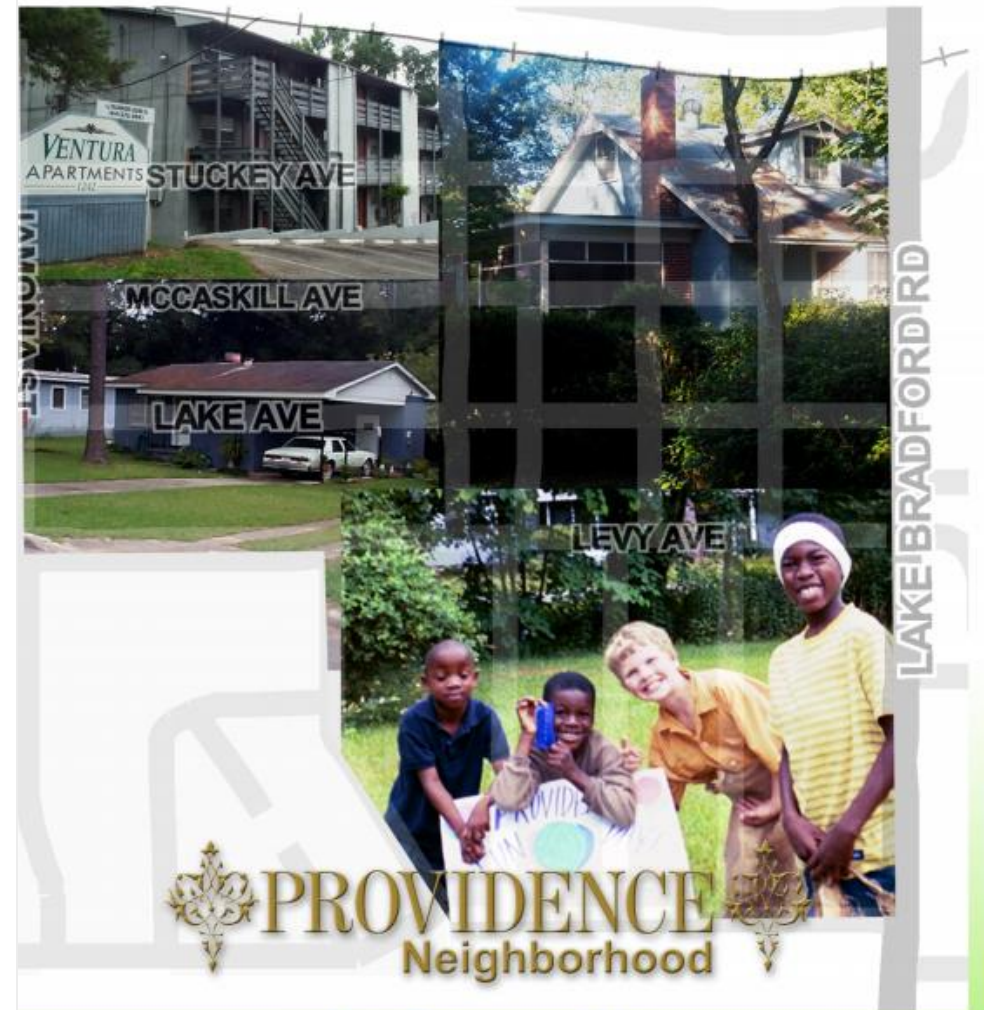


Introduction



Providence Neighborhood Renaissance Plan

- ❑ Developed through the Community Neighborhood Renaissance Partnership
- ❑ One of two neighborhoods in Tallahassee who participated in the CNRP
- ❑ Brought together residents, local activists, universities, city staff, the school district, non-profits, law and code enforcement
- ❑ Fourteen issue areas developed through a neighborhood-led collaborative planning process



Renaissance Plan

October 20, 2003

Developed and Adopted by the
Providence Neighborhood Association

Prepared by the
TICPD
Tallahassee-Leon County
Planning Department



"It reflects the wisdom of those who went before us..."



"It's about our children..."



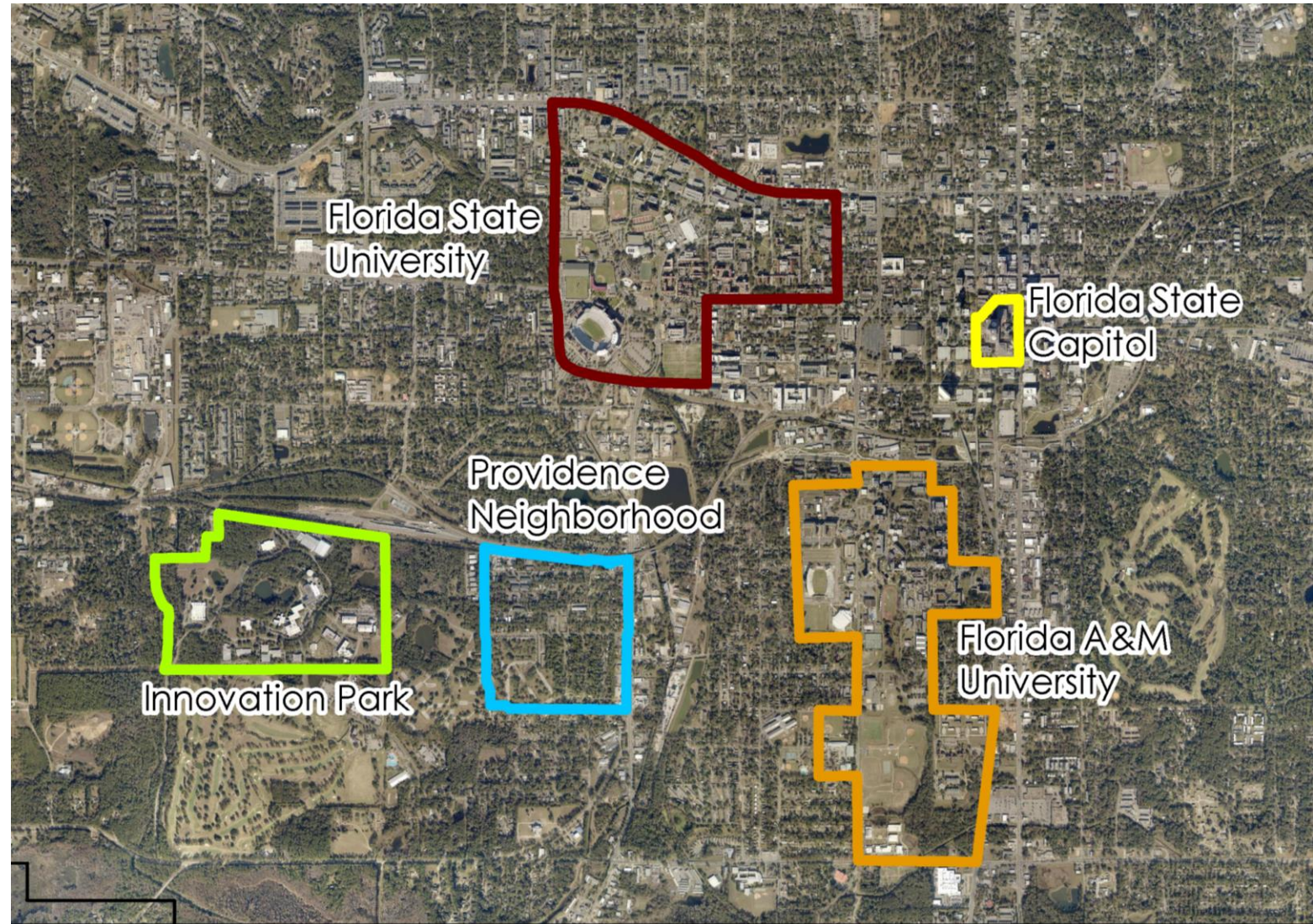
Neighborhood Profile



Tallahassee Context

The Providence Neighborhood is...

- ❑ 0.7 miles from the National High Magnetic Field Laboratory
- ❑ 0.7 miles from Florida A&M University
- ❑ 1 mile from Florida State University
- ❑ 2 miles from the Florida State Capitol

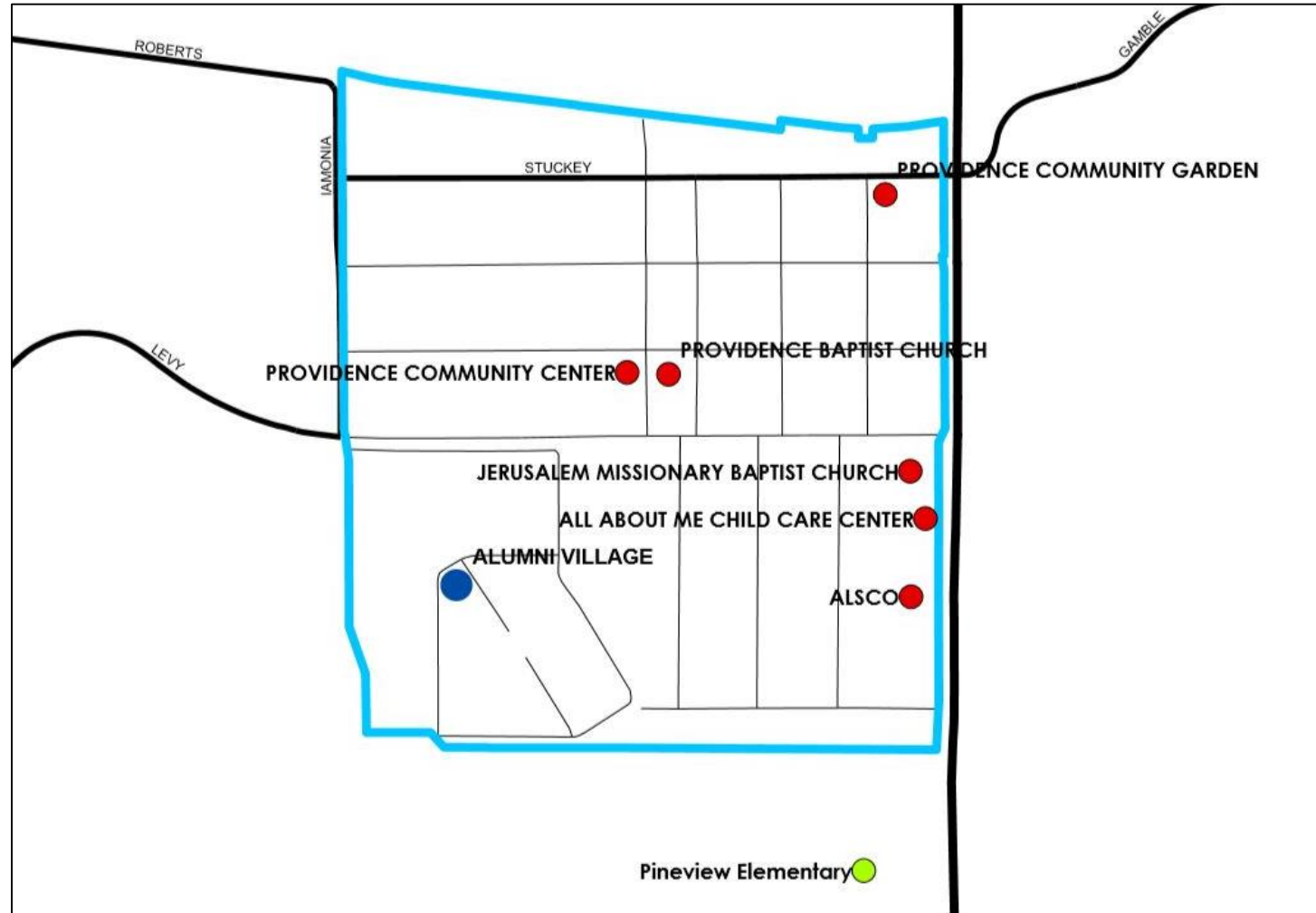


Neighborhood Boundaries

- ❑ North: **CSX Railroad**
- ❑ South: **Hutchinson Ave./
Coyle Moore Dr.**
- ❑ West: **Iamonia St./Herlong
Dr.**
- ❑ East: **Lake Bradford Rd.**

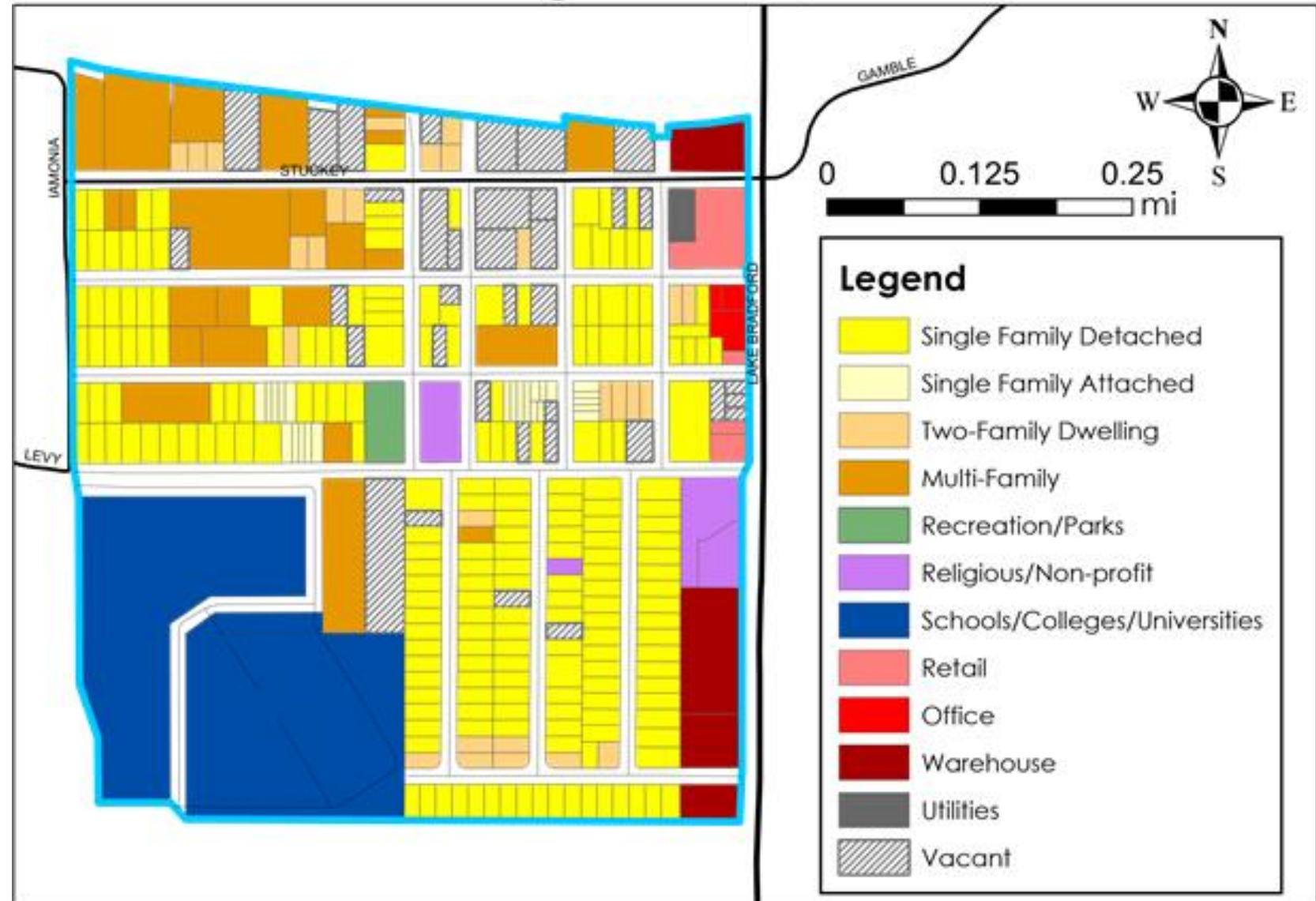


Community Assets



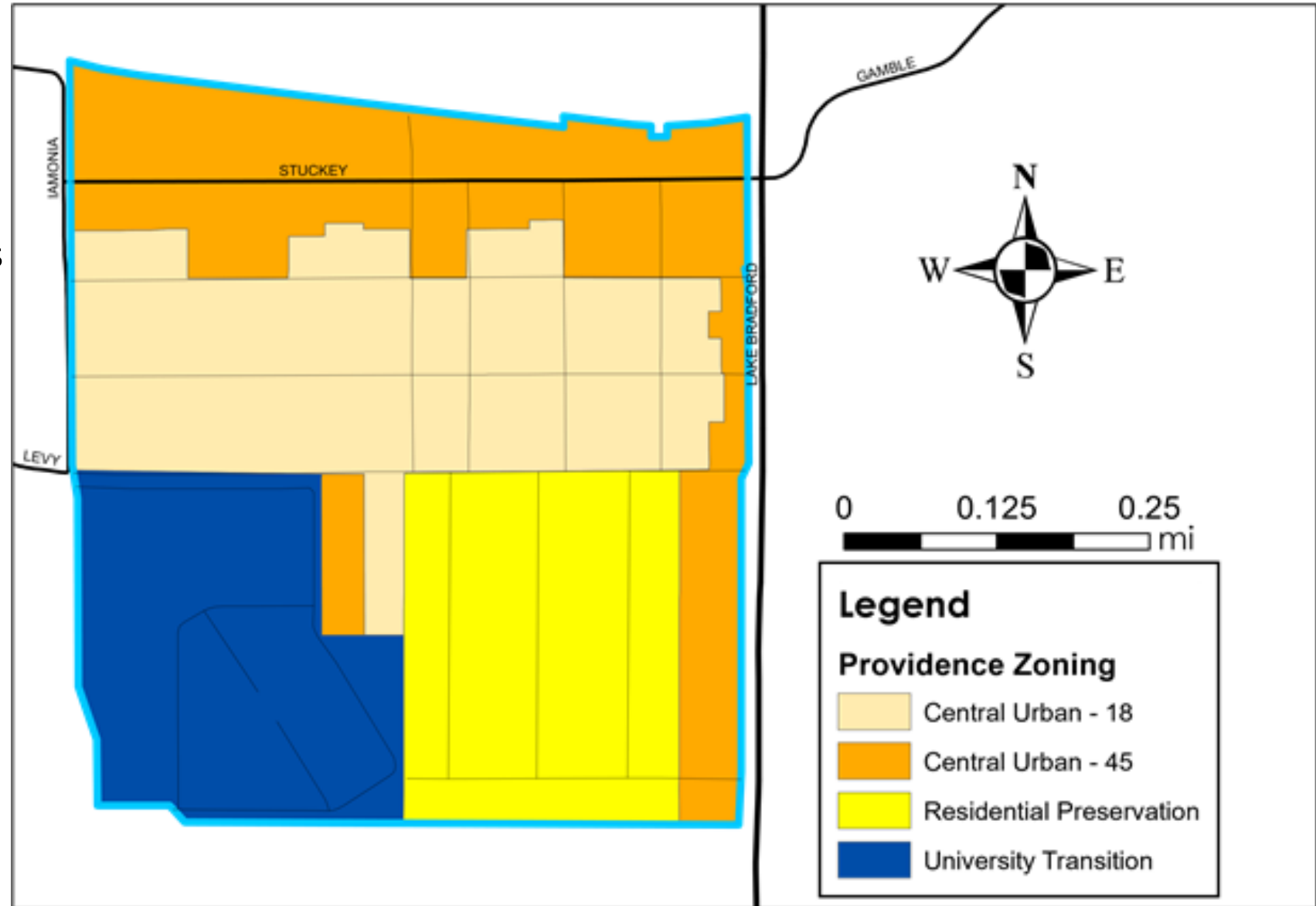
Current Land Use

- ❑ Residential: 71.5 acres
- ❑ Recreation: 1 acre
- ❑ Retail: 2.2 acres
- ❑ Vacant: 13.7 acres



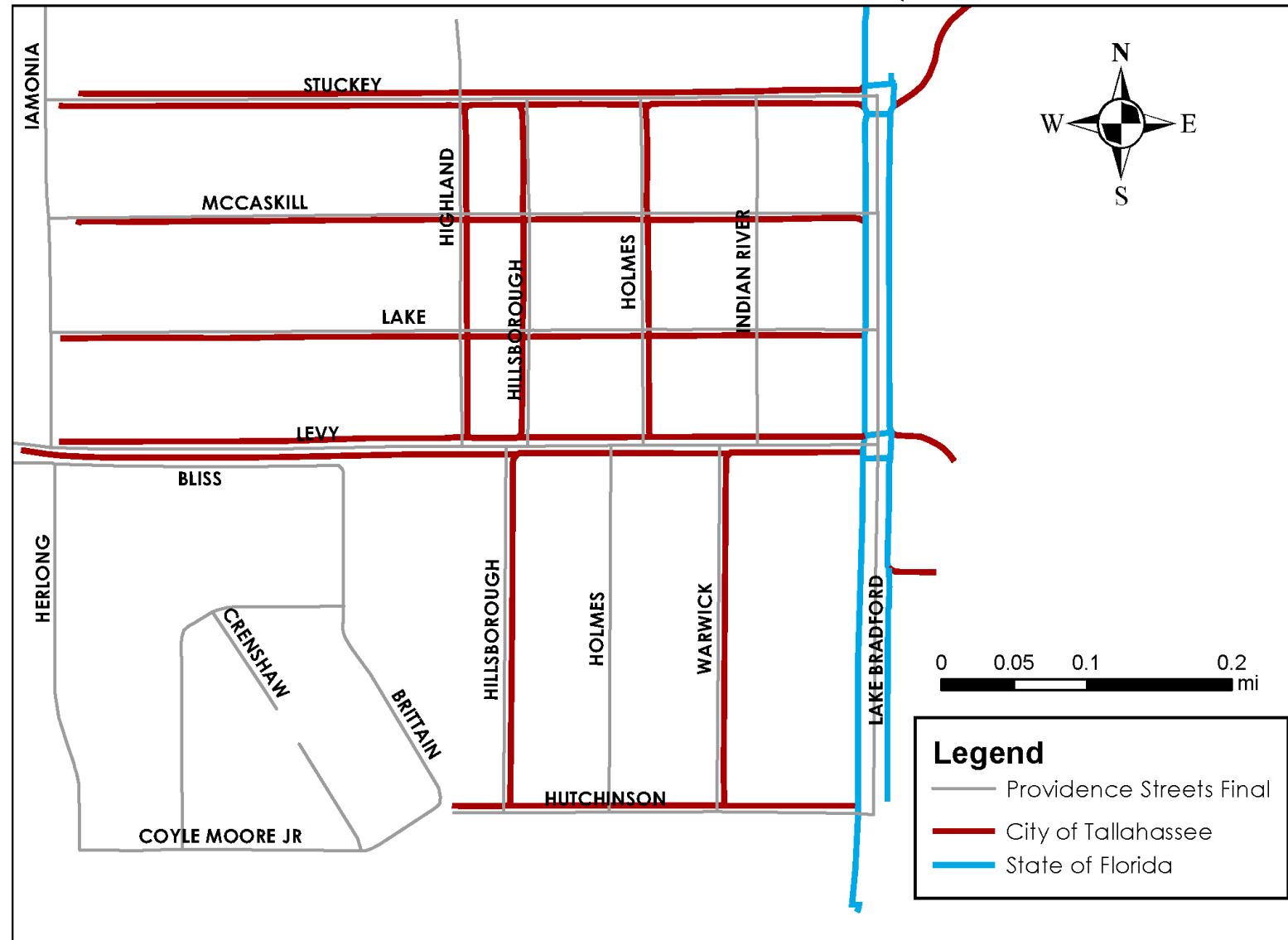
Current Zoning

- ❑ **Central Urban:** 312.3 acres
- ❑ **Residential Preservation:** 171.5 acres
- ❑ **University Transition:** 172.3 acres



Sidewalk/Road Network

- ❑ FAMU Way extension
- ❑ Crosswalks, curbs, gutters, ditches: Stuckey, Lake, Holmes, McCaskill, Warwick, & Hillsborough



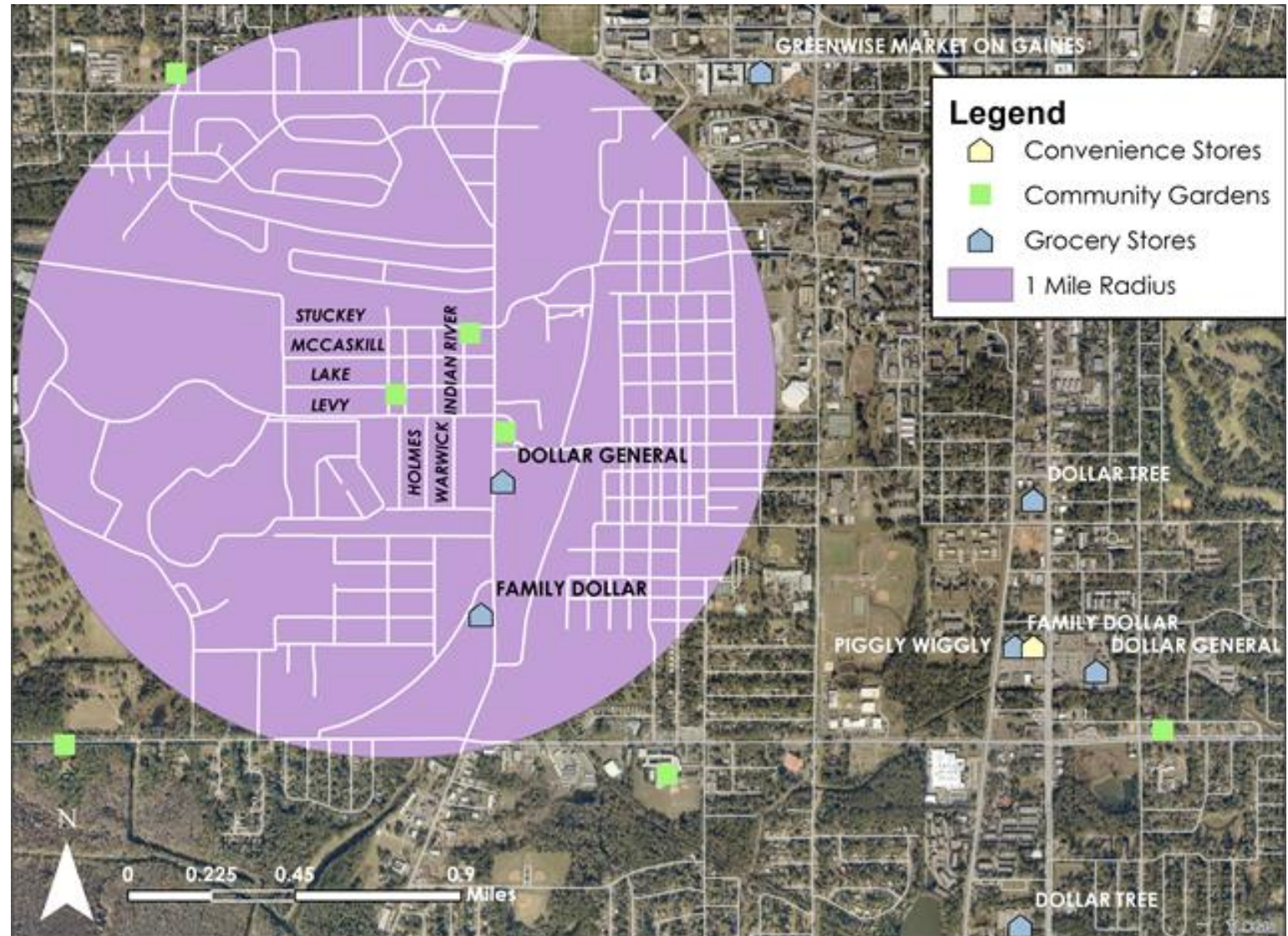
Food Insecurity

Within 1-mile...

- Dollar General
- Family Dollar
- Providence Community Garden

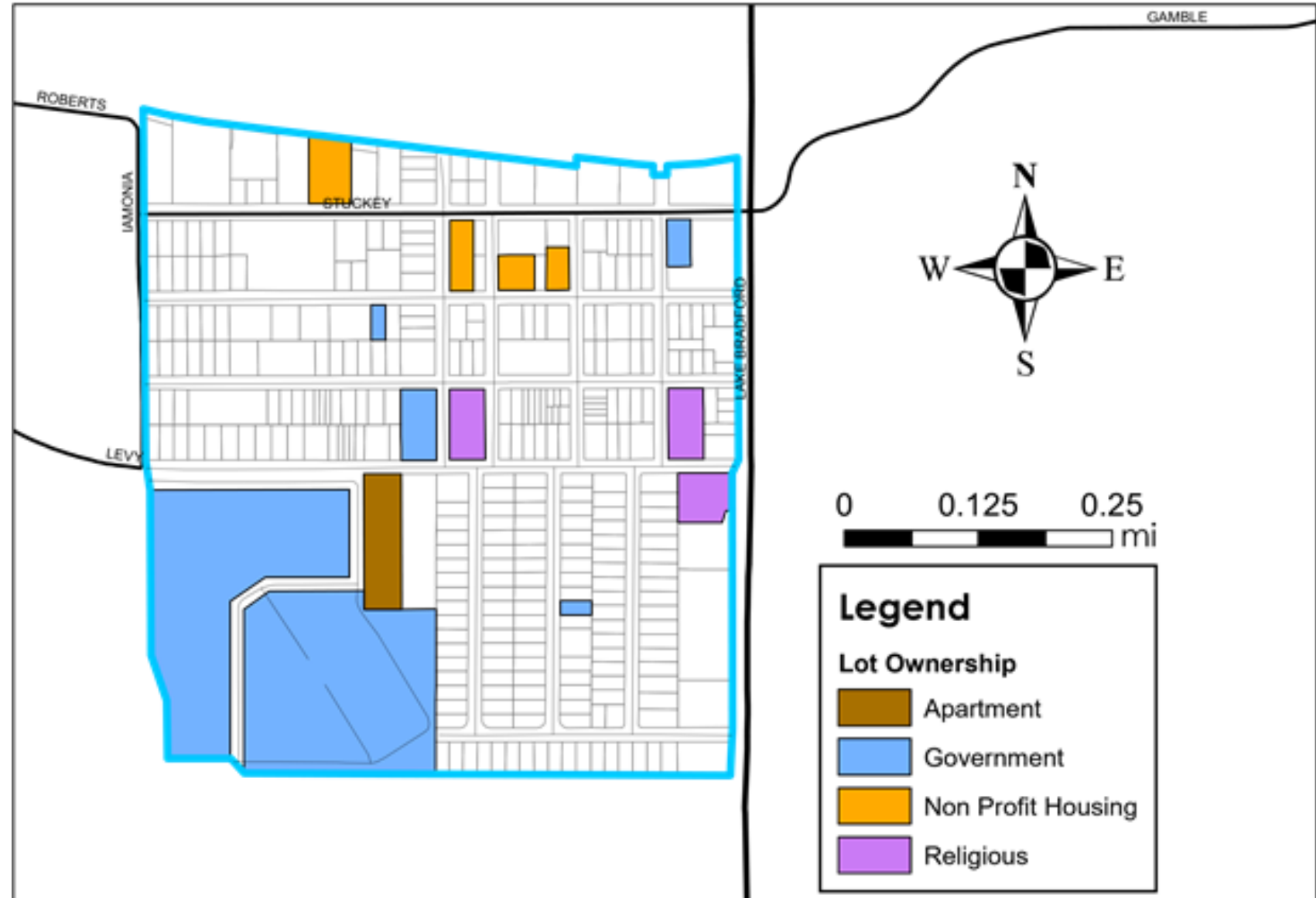
Over 1-mile...

- Greenwise Market
- Piggly Wiggly

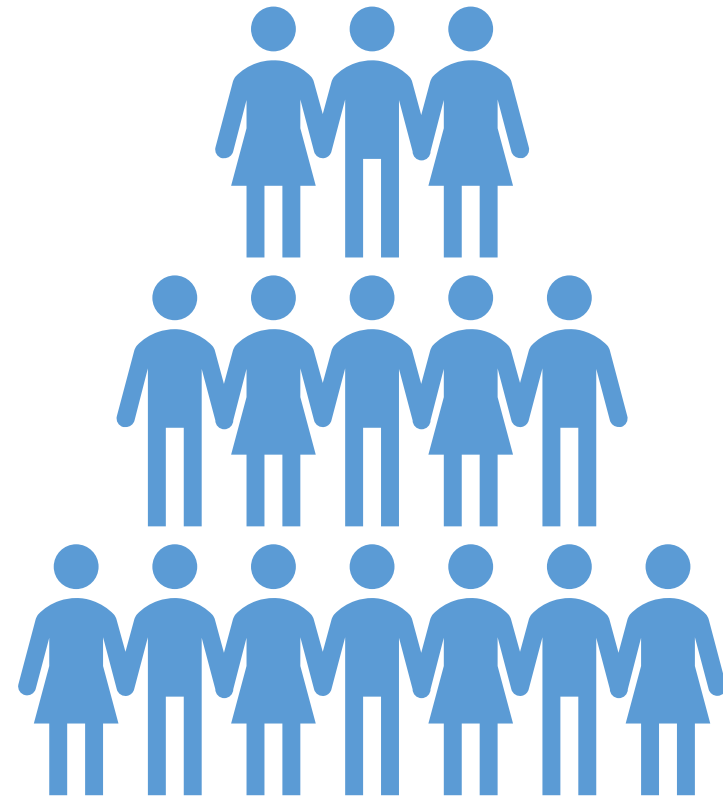


Property Ownership

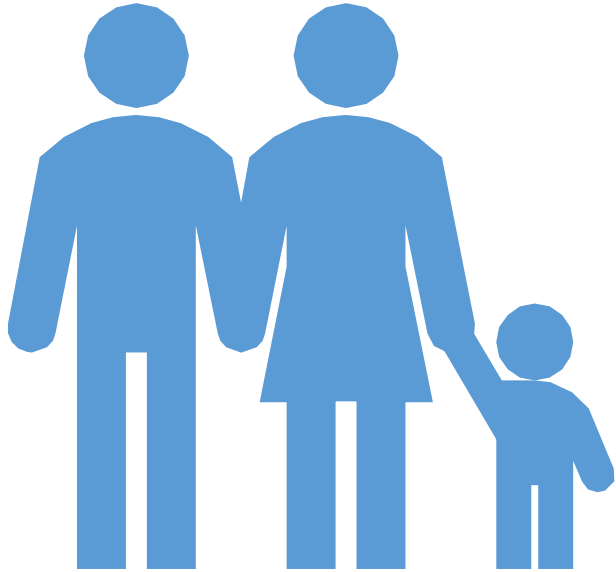
- ❑ University owned: 26.7 acres
- ❑ Non-Profit owned: 2.8 acres
- ❑ Publicly owned lots: 28.2 acres
- ❑ City Owned: 1.1 acres
- ❑ County Owned: 0.4 acres



Meet Your Neighbors



Population

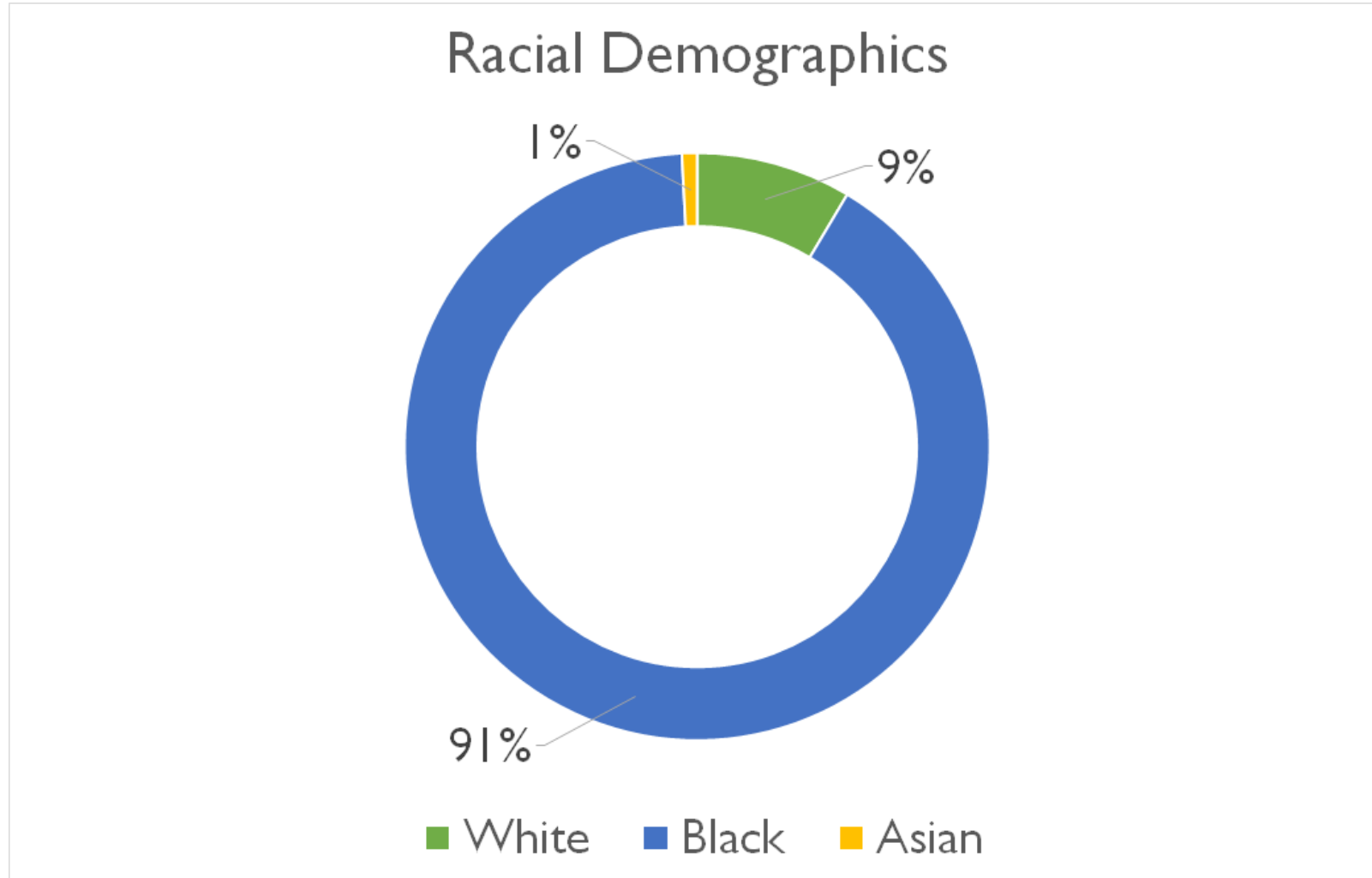


957
Population



28.5
Median Age

Race



Source: 2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Income



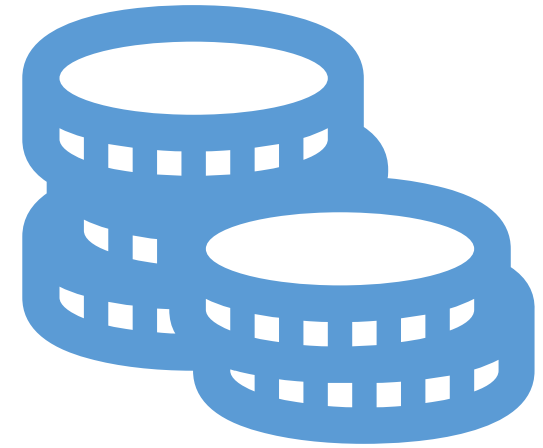
\$ 23,135

Median Household Income



11.9%

Unemployment Rate *



28.5%

Percent Below Poverty

Source: 2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

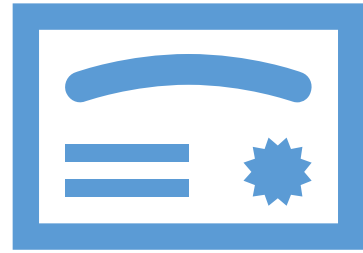
* Unemployment rate reflects census tract 19.01 information

Educational Attainment



19.3%

High School Diploma
or Equivalent



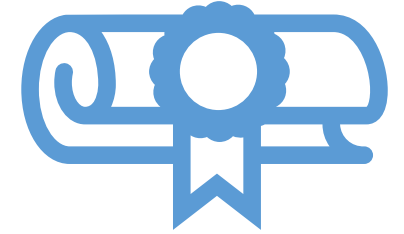
11.6%

Associate Degree



9.2%

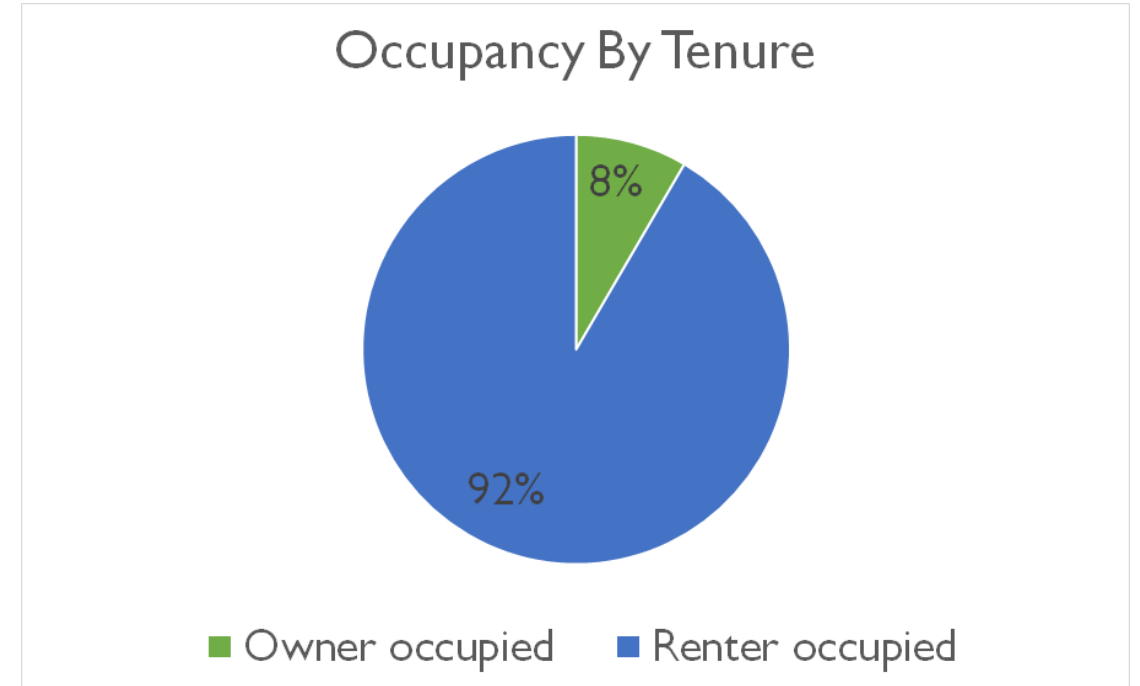
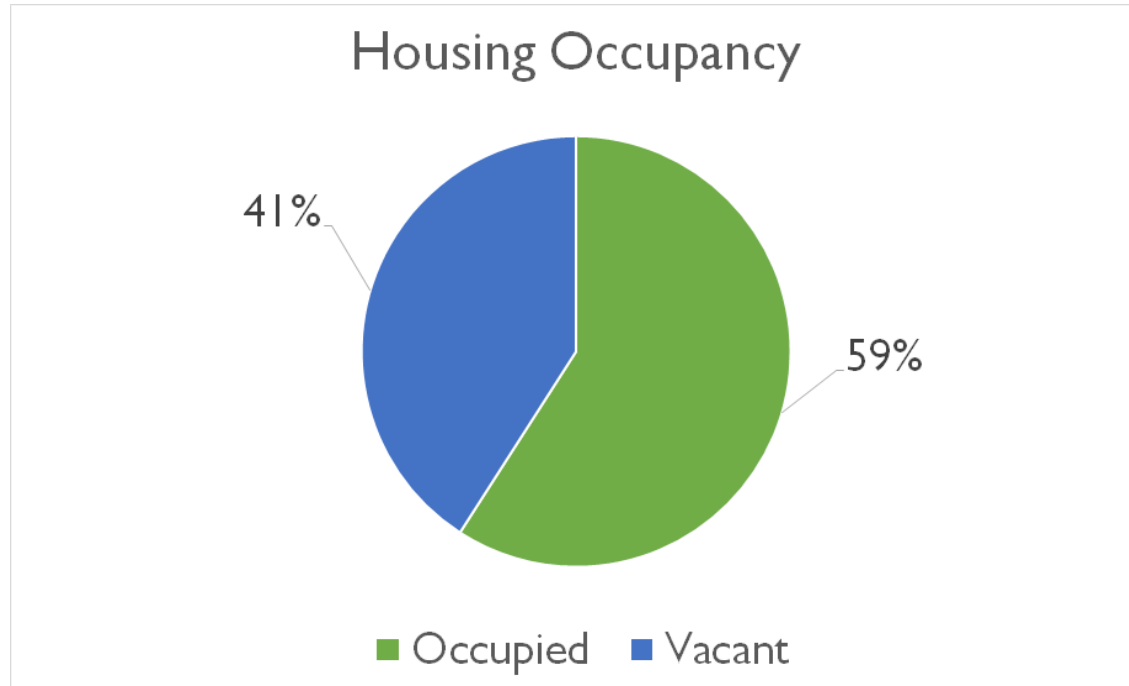
Bachelor's Degree



3.8%

Master's Degree

Housing Occupancy & Tenure



Median Gross Rent
\$ 611
39% of Household Income

Assessments and Evaluations



Priority Areas

01

**Community Engagement
& Empowerment**

- (1) **Neighborhood Involvement and Outreach**
- (2) **Neighborhood Pride**
- (6) **Neighborhood Center**

02

Public Safety & Wellness

- (3) **Neighborhood Cleanup**
- (4) **Neighborhood Safety**
- (5) **Crime**

03

**Human Capital &
Economic Development**

- (7) **Human Development**
- (8) **Landlord/Tenant Relationships**

04

Neighborhood Infrastructure

- (11) **Housing Rehab - Ownership**
- (12) **Housing Rehab - Rentals**
- (13) **Zoning**
- (14) **Streetscape**

05

Affordable Housing

- (9) **Neighborhood Ownership**
- (10) **Homeownership**

1. Community Engagement and Empowerment

Issue Area 1: Neighborhood Involvement/Outreach

- *Increase residents and stakeholder's participation and involvement in the neighborhood*

Issue Area 2: Neighborhood Pride

- *Create neighborhood spirit and sense of place in Providence*

Issue Area 6: Neighborhood Center

- *Community center that offers skills and talent opportunities in assisting other neighbors and developing the neighborhood*

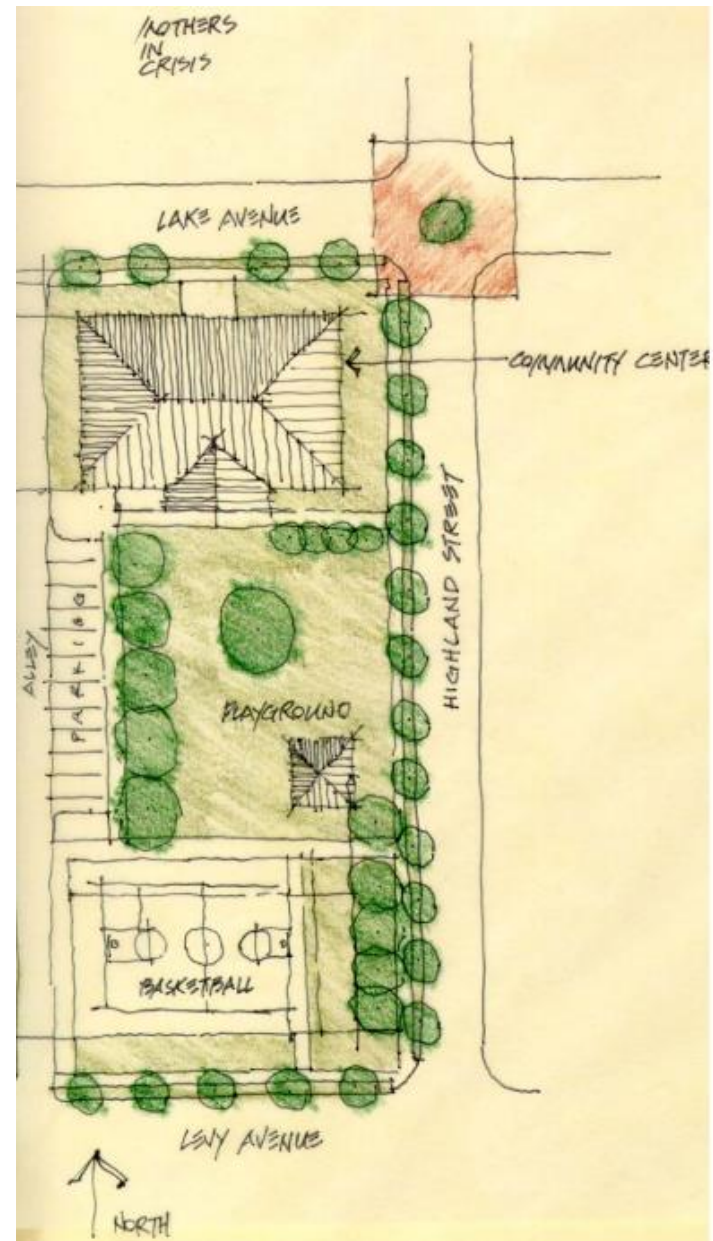
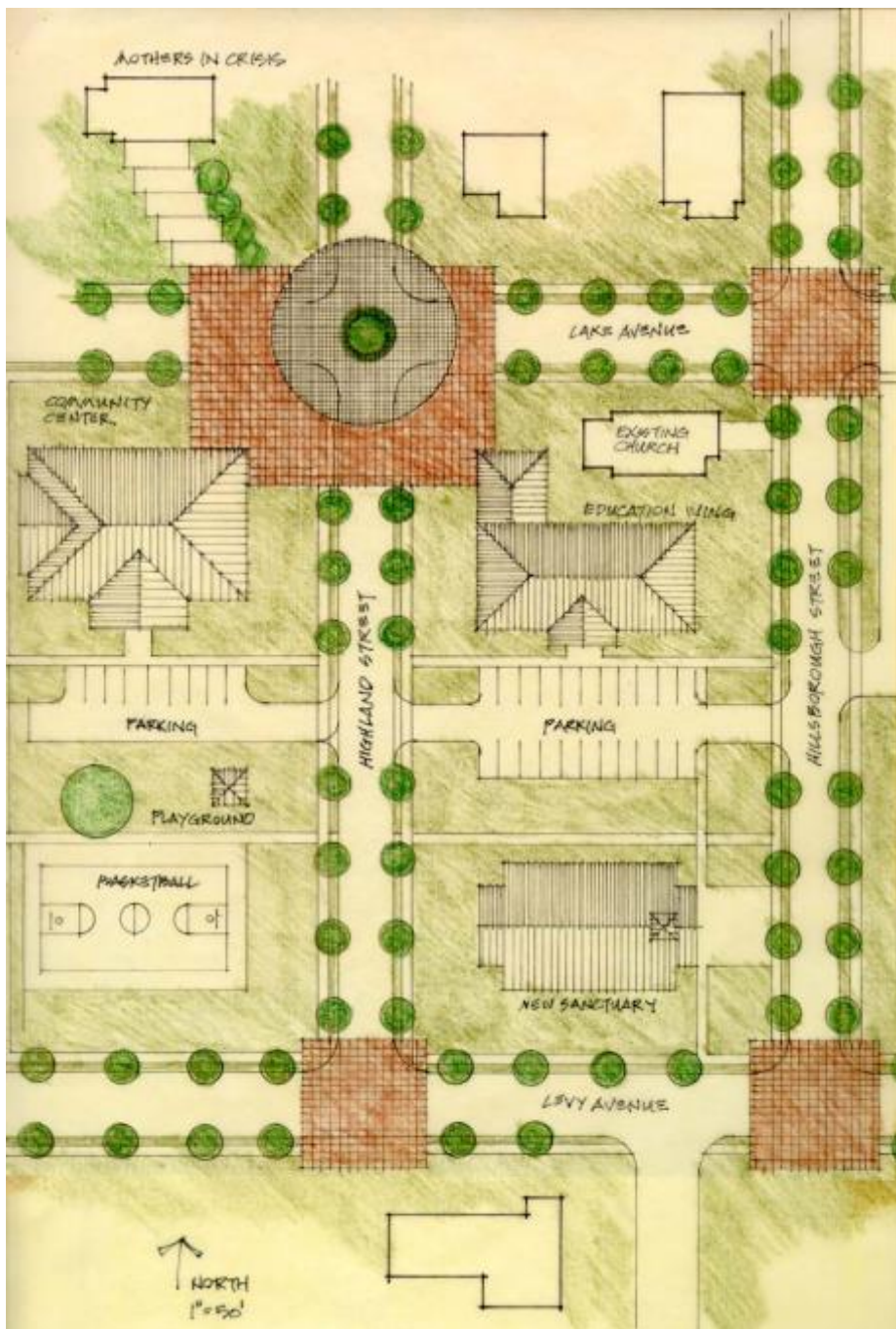
1. Community Engagement and Empowerment

Achievements

- DKO Community Center (\$750K)
- Increased formal and informal neighborhood leadership (Neighborhood Listening Project)
- Increased communication via text, email, and social media
- Neighborhood entrance signs on Stuckey and Hutchinson

Gaps

- Additional outreach to apartments and renters
- Neighborhood entrance visibility; new sign on Levy
- Neighborhood beautification
- Heart-of-the-Hills plan implementation



2. Public Wellness and Safety

Issue Area 3: Neighborhood Cleanup

- ❑ Reduce neighborhood litter and debris

Issue Area 4: Neighborhood Safety

- ❑ Improve safety in the neighborhood

Issue Area 5: Crime

- ❑ Create a greater sense of security and personal safety within the neighborhood

2. Public Wellness and Safety

Achievements

- Crosswalks, curbs, sidewalks, drainage system, gutters, bike lanes and gutters present on 95% of Task 14.A.3 (\$7.2M)
- Neighborhood cleanups; trash cans at bus stops; anti-litter campaigns
- Strengthened relationship with Code Enforcement/Resilience Officers and TPD

Gaps

- Crosswalks on Levy, ditch on Iamonia
- Traffic calming devices
- Left turn signal at Stuckey/Lake Bradford intersections
- Absentee landlords

3. Human Capital and Economic Development

Issue Area 7: Human Development

- ❑ Services, programs, and opportunities to foster cultural, social, educational, and economic development within the neighborhood

Issue Area 8: Landlord/Tenant Relationships

- ❑ Foster relationships of understanding between landlords and tenants



3. Human Capital and Economic Development

Achievements

- After school and summer enrichment youth programs
- Innovation Park book drive
- PNA Annual Fun Day
- Trinity United Brownie Scout Troop
- Project H.O.P.E. Ministries / Mothers In Crises food exchange
- LC Health Dept / FAMU / Bond
- New FSU Medical Clinic
- Pineview Parent Center

Gaps

- Neighborhood food pantry
- Fresh food access
- Continuation of career fairs
- FSU scholarship for residents
- Adult focused learning program
- Connecting to distant landlords

4. Neighborhood Infrastructure

Issue Area 11: Housing Rehab - Ownership

- ❑ Improve or maintain the existing housing stock to ensure safe and affordable owner-occupied housing

Issue Area 12: Housing Rehab - Rentals

- ❑ Improve or maintain the existing housing stock to ensure safe and affordable rental housing

Issue Area 13: Zoning

- ❑ Create an updated land use plan to protect the residential nature of Providence and provide incentives for development

Issue Area 14: Streetscapes

- ❑ Create a safer and more pedestrian-friendly street network within Providence

4. Neighborhood Infrastructure

Achievements

- Neighborhood Infrastructure Enhancement Capital Improvement Program (\$10.7M)
- Zoning updates to support affordable multi-family housing
- Overlay zone to limit types of commercial development
- Residential Preservation designation maintained

Gaps

- Tree planting programs
- Development of neighborhood design standards
- Contractor shortage for housing rehabilitation

5. Affordable Housing

Issue Area 9: Homeownership

- ❑ Increase opportunities for homeownership through infill housing and housing rehabilitation

Issue Area 10: Neighborhood Ownership

- ❑ Increase neighborhood homeownership for current residents



5. Affordable Housing

Achievements

- Apartment complex improvements through CRA (\$1.4M)
- Single-family homes (5) and townhouses (4) through BCDC and TLC
- Private developer built townhomes (8)
- Creation of (PNARC)
- Trinity United Methodist Church housing repairs (2)

Gaps

- Access to funding for interior home improvements
- Affordable homeownership opportunities
- Strategies to keep existing homes affordable



Development Opportunities



Fire Station on Lake
Bradford



Airport Gateway Project
– Stuckey & Lake
Bradford

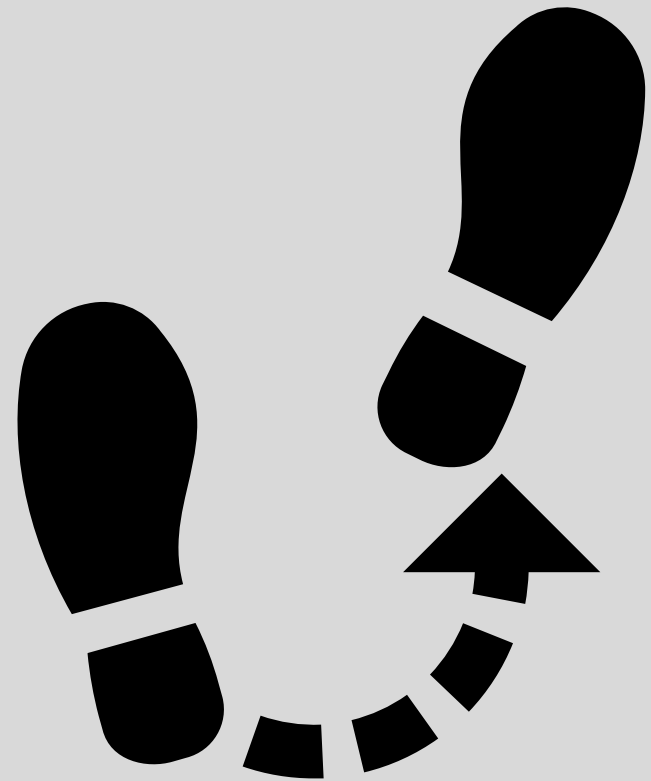


Florida State University's
Alumni Village



Alpine Apartments

Next Steps



**Mark your
calendars!**



Community Survey (March 1)



Feedback Forum (April 6)



Talkback (April 20)

Questions?

- What do you want to see in your neighborhood?
- What is missing that you want to see included in the Plan Refresh?

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