Session/Presentation Title:

#### Building on Strength: Connecting a Community through Collaborative Economic Development

Presenters:

- » Tom McGilloway, PLA | Mahan Rykiel Associates
- » Marshall Snively | Lancaster City Alliance
- » John Hershey, RLA | RGS Associates

PA-APA 1028 Annual Conference | State College | October 23, 2017





Through Collaborative Economic Development



# INTRODUCTION

#### **Speakers**



Tom McGilloway Principal Mahan Rykiel Associates



**John Hershey** Client Manager | Associate RGS Associates



President

**Marshall Snively** 

Lancaster City Alliance

**Key Team Members** (Not Present)

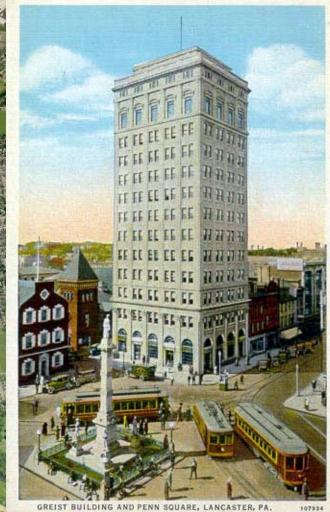


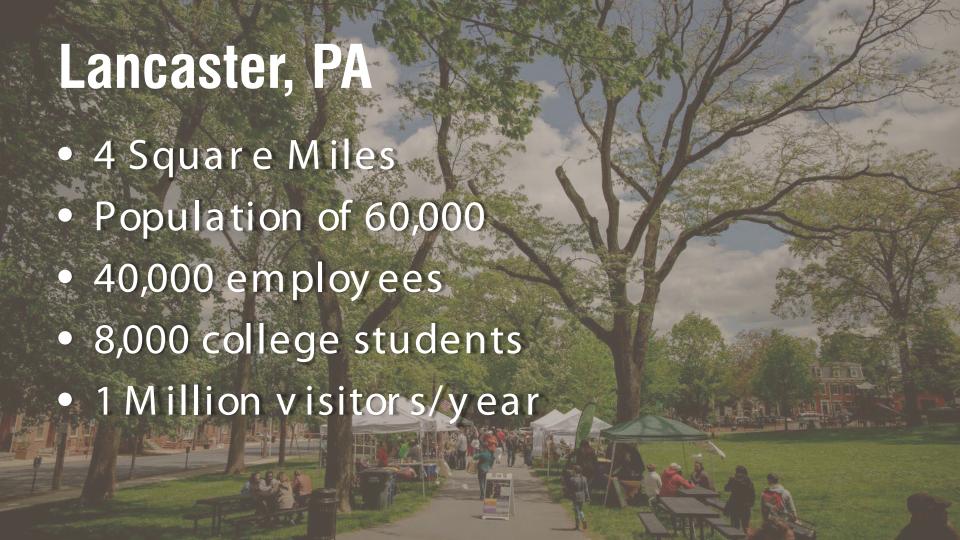
Megan Griffith, AICP Associate Planner Mahan Rykiel Associates

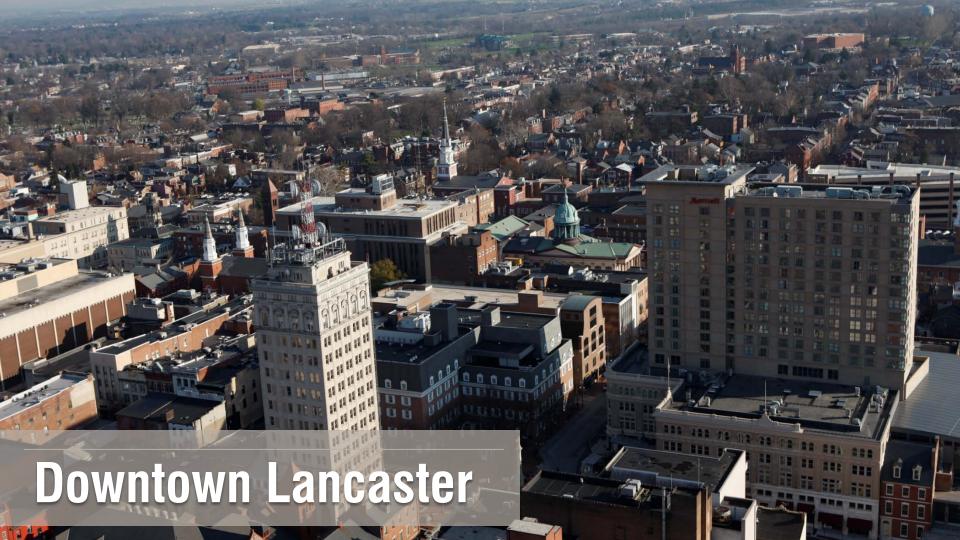


**Tripp Muldrow, AICP** Principal Arnett Muldrow & Associates



























# 1998 'LDR' Plan

#### Lancaster's Economic Development Action Agenda

Strategies for Prince Street, Downtown and South Duke Street in the 21st Century









North Prince Street Employment Campus

Prepared for:

The Lancaster Campaign • The Economic Development Action Group





# Over \$1.5 Billion in investment

Between 2007 + 2015

Retail, restaurant, cultural, + service businesses

# 130 + Net NEW, ~60 Expanded

Between 2007 + 2015



Businesses relocating / expanding in Greater Downtown represent

# 1,000 New Workers

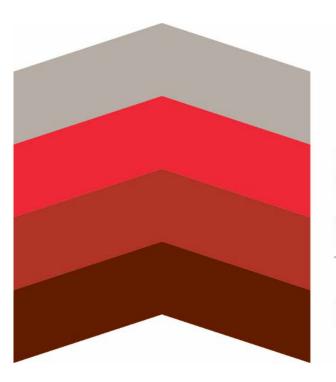
Between 2010 + 2016

**OFFICE** 

# 250+ Completed New Units, 350 Planned

Between 2010 + 2016

HOUSING

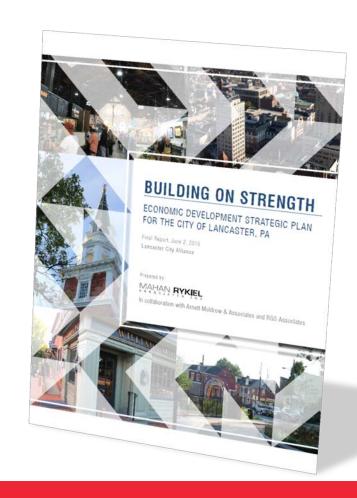


# BUILDING ON STRENGTH

THE COMMUNITY-OWNED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIC PLAN FOR THE CITY OF LANCASTER

#### The Plan

- 15-Year Horizon
- 4 Broad Strategies
- 25 Recommendations
  - ) 12 Short-Term
  - 9 Medium-Term
  - 4 Long-Ter m





#### Focus Areas

#### 8 "Commercial Hubs"

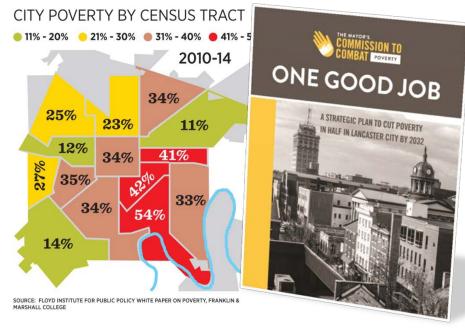
- 1. Downtown Core
- 2. E. King Street
- 3. W.King + Manor Streets
- 4. S. Duke Street
- 5. S. Prince + Queen Streets
- 6. Harrisburg Avenue/NW Gateway
- 7. Train Station Area
- 8. New Holland Avenue

#### **Concurrent Efforts**

Jeff Speck's Downtown Walkability Analysis (2015)



# Mayor's Commission to Combat Poverty (2015)



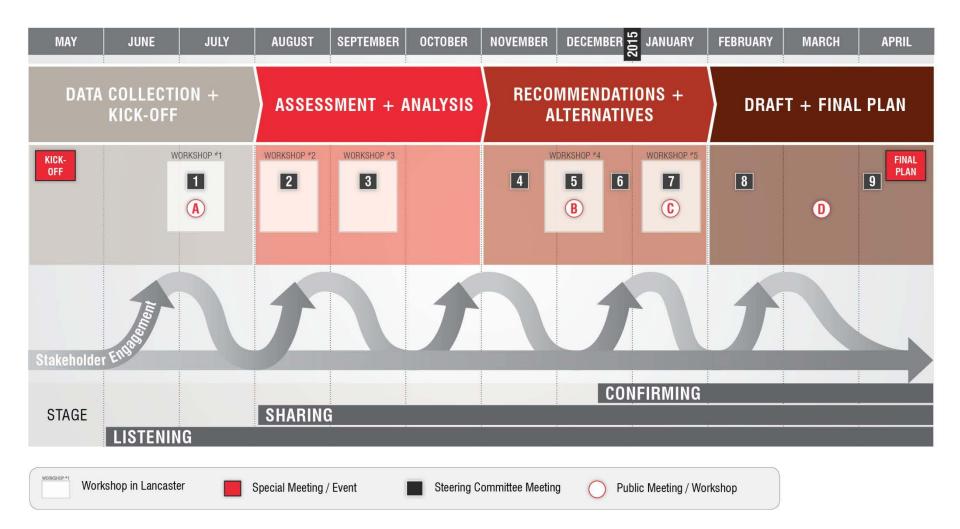
# Aspirations

- Attract + retain talent.
- Create jobs that provide a livable wage.
- Leverage educational institutions for a skilled w or kfor ce.
- Provide equitable opportunities for all.
- Cultivate existing businesses to grow.

## Aspirations (cont'd.)

- Encourage targeted economic development opportunities to strengthen neighbor hoods + increase property values.
- Provide the **environment to thrive** for small businesses and entrepreneurs.
- Be a national model for urban economic development.

## PROCESS+ ENGAGEMENT



Community Leaders/One-on-One Meetings

**Key Stakeholders** 

Major Property
Owners

# LANCASTER CITY ALLIANCE



### Steering Committee

#### Consultant Team

MAHAN RYKIEL



WORKING GROUP

Arts

Community Corridors

Education

Entrepreneurs

Faith-Based Community

Merchants

### Listening

#### **Sharing**

## Confirming









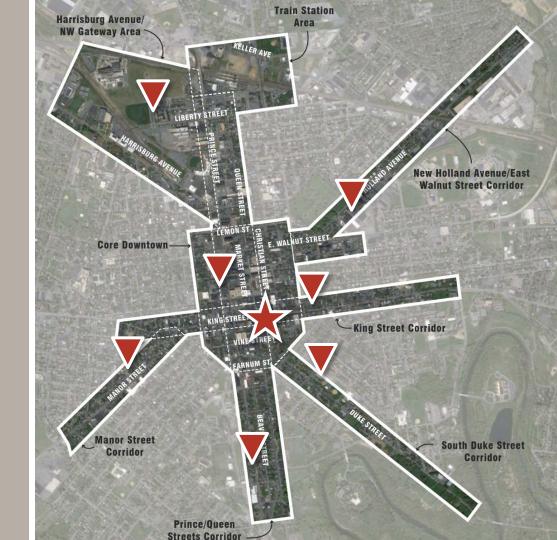
# Stakeholder Engagement

Over 1,000 stakeholders involved

- √ 100+Meetings/For ums Large & Small
- ✓ 1-on-1 Interviews
- ✓ Focus Groups
- ✓ Public Surveys
- ✓ Roundtables
- √ 3 Public Meetings

# Coming to the Community

- Bring the meeting to them
- Central public meetings









# **Establishing Trust**

- Champions
- Existing Community Resources

# 40% Hispanic 30% Speaking Spanish at Home

LANCASTER CITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIC PLAN

#### ONLINE SURVEY



Please share your thoughts!



www.surveymonkey.com/s/CF3Q36R

Un plan estratégico del Desarrollo Económico por Ciudad Lancaster

#### ENCUESTA EN LÍNEA



iiPor favor, compartir sus pensamientos!!



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#### REUNIÓN PÚBLICO #3

Jueves el 19<sup>TH</sup> de Marzo

# CRECIENDO en FUERZA

McCaskey East

6:30-8:30 por la tarde

#### UN PLAN ESTRATÉGICO DEL DESARROLLO ECONÓMICO POR LA CIUDAD DE LANCASTER

Enfocando en el centro y centros comerciales que sirve barrios de la ciudad

Presentación del proyecto del plan/ Discusión 6:30-8:30 por la tarde

- » Ver los hallazgos de Presentación de Borrador (Presentation of Draft) y recomendaciones que formarán el futuro de nuestro ciudad, culminante de más de 10 meses de investigación y dirección de la comunidad.
- » Proporcionar entrada importante y realimentación en grupos pequeños en preparación del plan final en mayo.

- SE PROPORCIONARÁN APERTIVOS -





Por más información, visita:

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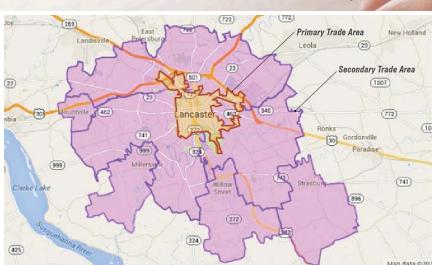
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# Surveys

- Online Survey
- ZIP Code Survey

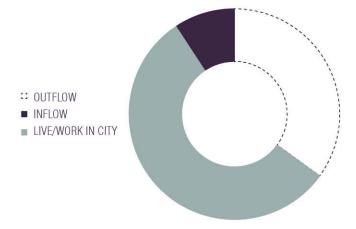




### NEW EAS SOU COMMERCIAL HUBS: COM COM COM BY COMPARISON



SOURCE: U.S. Census Bureau. 2013. On The Map Application. Longitudinal-



Lancaster City Workforce Inflow/Outflow in 2011 [Source: LEHD On the Map Tool]



Estimated 2013 Mean Household Income (in Dollars)

[Source: ACS]

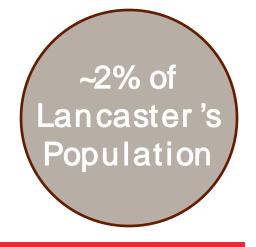
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LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

# **Engagement Results**

### By the Numbers:

- **✓ 33** Merchants
- ✓ 59 Steering Committee/Working Group Members
- ✓ 79 Commercial Hub Meeting Attendees
- **✓ 80** Workshop Participants
- **✓ 121** Public Meeting Attendees
- ✓ 164 Focus Group Participants
- **✓ 480** Surveys



### Results (cont'd.)

- StrategiesRooted inCommunity
- Ownership / Implementation Partners

					IMPLEMENTATION CONSIDERATIONS			IMPLEMENTATI	ON CONSIDERATIONS (contd.)	FUNDING		BIG PICTURE
Stategy	*	Recommendation	Critical Action Component	Priority	Lead Organization	Potential Implementation Partner	Estimated Time Frame	Tacles	Performance Metrics Examples	Funding Level	Potential Funding Mechanisms	Recommendation Overlap
Strategy 1   Expending Success: Treatment Sections: Overlapeners Investment	14	Investment Sites (See Separate Matrix for Investment Sites)			LCA/CRIVEDG	CFF, City, Commercial Books, Developers, EDC, SDOL (TF), Property Owners, State	Long		# of identified investments sites approved for development and/or successfully developed	555	CRIZ, Historic Tax Credits, LERTA, New Market Tax Credits, Private enterprise, State	18, 1E, 1H, 2B, 3A, 3B
	18	Marlet District			LCA/Dity	Central Markel Trist, OID, Mexitant Committee	Medium-Long	Designation of an official market district area program	% of and/or # of qualifying emperty uses purticipating as a market district engram	\$\$	CRIZ, DID, Private Sector, State	1A, 282, 20, 40
	10	Development Clearinghouse			City	Developers, LCA, Third Party Agencies	Short	Creation of a Development Clearinghouse	# of development projects initiated annually	\$	Permit Fees	1A, 1E, 1H, 3B
	10	Business Registration Program		VH	City	DID, LCA	Short	Completion of initial Business Registration Inventory	# of registered businesses	\$	Registration Fees	1A, 18, 38
	1E	Building the Market	1E1: Façade Grant Program	н	CHATCA	City, Community Organizations, DID, LCA	Short		# of participating property eneces, and/or total hands utilized	22	State and Foundation Grants	1A, 1H, 4B4
			1E2. Façade Master Plan	M City/LCA City, Community Onju		City, Community Organizations, DID, LCA	Short		# of participating properly owners in a concentrated area; and/or # of master plans underway	55	State and City Grants	1A, 1H, 484
			1E3: Building Infrastructure Grants	м	M City Cruity, LCA		Medium		Total grant funds utilized	55	Bonds, Federal and State Grants	1G, 481, 484
			1E4 Lancaster High Speed Internet	н	City	City, County, Private Sector	Short		# of properties with improved access	555	National, Federal, and State Grants, Private enterprise	2B1, 4A
	1F	Land Bank	1F1: Land Bank	VH	City Redevelopment Authority	City, County, LCCF	Short	Creation of a Land Bunk and Community Land Trust	# of properties held and/or dispersed; boosing affordability index	255	CDBG, Contributed Properties, State Grants	1A, 3A
	10	Community Land Trast Subsidiary	SF2: Community Land Trast Subsidiary	Н	LHOP	City, County, LCOF, Community Organizations	Modium			555	Crowdfunding, Federal Starts, Foundations, State Grants	1A, 3A
	111	Plan Funding Program		VH	LCA	CFF, City, EDC, Foundations, Private Sector	Short	Establishment of a Capital Campaign	Total private funds secured, Total of public funding tools atilized defined by peoject type	555	Foundations, Private Sector	TA, TE, TF
Stratogy 2   Embrasing the Catalocative Essency Cultivaling Entrepreneurs (Creative and Technology)	2A	Entrepreneurs Forum		н	LCA	ASSETS, Ben Frankim Technology Partiers, Business community, Cowarking spaces, Entrepreneurs, Higher Ed., SACA	Short	First Annual Entropereurs Forum	Total # of Fonem participants: 3. of satisfied, engaged participants	5	Contributions, Crowdlanding	26, 36
	28	Lancador Creative Spaces Initiative	201: Lancasser Innovation Center	VH	LCA	Biri Franklin Technology Partners, City, Existing Cownrising Spaces, Higher Ed., NIZ, LCCI, LINP Maker 17, SCORE, SDOL, WIB	Medium-Long	Creation of a Lancaster Innovation Center	# of participating unterpresented businesses; # of graduated enterpresented businesses; # of organized classes/programs; # of constraintly members provided workforce training. All largeted implementation partners contributing	\$55	Casualfunding, Private enterprise	1A, 164, 1H, 2A
			282: Harvest Park Lancuster	н	LCA	Central Market Trust, City, 1902, LGH, SBDC, SDDL, USDA	Medium	Creation of a Lancaster Food Hubi	# of Lancaster City residents employed; # of regional lood producers participating	155	CRIZ, Crowdfunding, Federal Grants, Foundation, Private Sector, State Grant	1A, 1F, 1G, 2A, 2C
			293: The Lancassier Arts Lab	н	LCA	City, Higher Ed., LODP Existing Arts and Cultural Inelitations and Organizations, Permoylvania College of Art & Design, SDOL	Medium	Cossision of the Lancaster Arts Lab	S generated for arts industries, # of artists stilling Live/Work opportunities	555	CRIZ, Crowdlanding, Foundations, Federal Grants, Peivalle Sector, State Grants	1A, 28, 3C
	20	Neighborhead Healthy Food Initiation			LGH	CAP Central Market Triest, City, Council of Charches, Player Packs Project	Short - Medium	Coarlies of a Neighborhood Healthy Food Initiative	# of Reighborhood Markets, # of residents served (calculated within a 1/4 mile radius)	25	Crowffunding, Federal Grants, Foundations, State Grants	1A, 282, 40
Stratopy 3.) Leveraging the Branck Marienting Lancaster City	34.	Locate Lancaster Residential Initiative			City	Community Organizations, Discover Lancaster, Employers, LCA, LCAR, LHOP, Local Media, LODP, SDOL	Short, Deguing	Contion of a Locate Lancaster Residential Initiative	# or % increase in Lancaster City Residents; # of employers participating in employer-assisted housing programs; # or % increase in housing supply	55	Dovelopers, Realtons, Spensorships State Grants	1A, 10, 30, 4A, 4C, 1H
	38	Locate Lancaster Economic Development Initiative		VH	LCA/CITY	ASSETS, Discover Lancaster, EDC, Higher Ed., LCCI, Local Media, LDOP WIB	Short, Daguing		# or % increase in outside developers inventing in community; # of developers/ businesses reached through campaigns	53	Besinesses, Community, County, Developers, Foundations, Realiters, Spansorships, State Grants	1A, 18, 10, 1F, 2A
	3C	Building the City Board for Tourism through LODP (Lancaster Office of Promotion)			LOOP	City, DID, Discover Lancaster, LCA, Local Media	Short, Ongoing		Social Media Prach (# of unique visits to webpage, billioners on basebook, etc.); # of visitor guides distilluted; # of member basinesses; # of altondoes at LOOP events, integrated brancing	L/N	City, Fees, Percete Sector, Spansoships, State Grants	283, 3D, 4A
Strategy 4   Quality of Life. Palasterioning Commercial Hubs	.44.	Foster Cammercial Habs within Neighborhoods (Economic Development)			City	ASSETS, Community Organizations, Enforcements, LODP Piezan Sector	Long		# of "branded" Commercial Halm, # of not new brainnesses	65.)	BIOs, COBG, City, Foundations, Historic Tax Coodits, NIDs, State and Federal Grants, New Market Tax Credits	Strategy 1, 3A, 9C, 48
	48	Street Network and Improved Accessibility	481: Two-Way Street Conversions	Ł	City	Community Degasizations, Downtown Walkability Analysis	Long		# of businesers with increased visibility; # of steeds converted to two way.	222	Federal Grants, Local Funds, State Grants	1A, 487, 483, 484
			492- Circulator	М	City	Higher Ed., LOSP RREA	Medium	Creation of a Circulator	# of Instruction with Improved access justinis 1/4 mile of the redex; # of additional or entanced transil stationarchellers	222	BID, Crowdharding, Local Grants, Private Enterprise, Sponsoistip, State Grants	TA, 481, 483, 484
			493: Bicycle Aletrox	н	City	Bile Freedly Coalition, A Common Wheel, County, Downtown Wallability Authoris, Future Bile Sture, Lancaster Biles, LCA, LGB	Medium		# of hile holiblies (by type of facility). # of hile share stations	ss	Crowdfunding, Federal Scents, Federaldices, Local Grants, Private Sector, State Grants	1A, 481, 482, 484
			484: Gateways and Streetscapes	М	City/Private Sector	Community Organizations, County, Downtown Walkability Amilysis, LCA (Clean and Safe, Bile Amhassattes, et al.)	Long		# of gateway enhancement areas, miles of enhanced streetscapes, businesses impacted by streetscape enhancements	223	Bonds; Federal Grants; Local Grants; Private Sector, State Grants	1A, 4A, 481, 482, 483, 40
	40	Commercial Hub Partner Organizations			LCA/ Community Organizations	City, Reighburhood Anchors, Private Sector	Short		# of Commencial Plubs/Communities with affiliated community portion organizations; # of black captains	\$	Contributions	1F, 2C, 3A, 38, 48

Strategy	#	Recommendation	Critical Action Component	Priority	Lead Organization	Potential Implementation Partner	Estimated Time Frame
	4A	Foster Commercial Hubs within Nei (Economic Development)	ghborhoods	VH	City	ASSETS, Community Organizations, Entrepreneurs, LOOP, Private Sector	Long
			4B1: Two-Way Street Conversions	L	City	Community Organizations, Downtown Walkability Analysis	Long
Strategy 4   Quality of Life: Reinforcing	10	Street Network and	4B2: Circulator	M	City	Higher Ed., LOOP, RRTA	Medium
Commercial Hubs	4B	Improved Accessibility	4B3: Bicycle Network	Н	City	Bike Friendly Coalition, A Common Wheel, County, Downtown Walkability Analysis, Future Bike Share, Lancaster Bikes, LCA, LGH	Medium
		, and the second	4B4: Gateways and Streetscapes	M	City/Private Sector	Community Organizations, County, Downtown Walkability Analysis, LCA (Clean and Safe, Bike Ambassadors, et al.)	Long
	4C	Commercial Hub Partner Organization	ons	Н	LCA/ Community Organizations	City, Neighborhood Anchors, Private Sector	Short

# RECOMMENDATIONS

### Expanding Success:

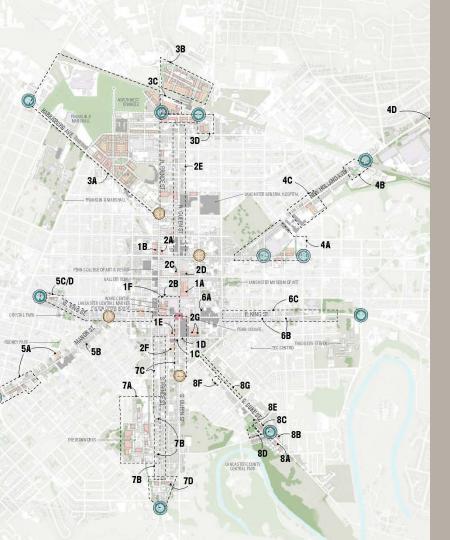
Traditional Economic Development

### Strategy 1 | Recommendations



- » 1A | Investment Sites
- » 1B | Market District
- » 1C | Development Clearinghouse
- » 1D | Business Registration Program
- » 1E | Building the Market
  - » 1E1 | Façade Grant Program
  - » 1E2 | Façade Master Plan
  - » 1E3 | Building Infrastructure Grants
  - » 1E4 | Lancaster High-Speed Internet
- » 1F | Land Bank
- » 1G | Community Land Trust Subsidiary
- » 1H | Plan Funding Program

# 16/40 (40%) of the Plan's "investment opportunity sites" are either under development or newly developed



### **INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY SITES**

DOWNTOWN CORE-PRIMARY

1A: Bulov a Site

1B: City Crossings Lot 1C: Southern Market 1D: Swan Hotel Corner 1E: Queen and Vine Site

1F: Market District Sites
1G Upper Floor
Redevelopment
(Throughout

### DOWNTOWN CORE – SECONDARY

2A:HDC Property Infil 2B:Prince Street Garage Site

2C: Queen and Chestnut Infill (NW Corner) 2D: FRTA Garage Air

2E: North Queen Street Retail Commercial 2F: West Vine/West Farnum Site 2G: Penn Square Mixed Use Opportunity HARRISBURG AVENUE/
TRAIN STATION AREA
3A: Northwest Triangle
3B: Train Station North
(Keller Avenue
Properties)
3C: Train Station West
3D: Train Station South
(McGovern Avenue
Properties)

### NEW HOLLAND AVENUE 4A: Flum and Walnut Anchor

4B: Ross Street Gatew ay 4C: New Holland Infill 4D: Burle Office Park Infill Development

### WEST KING/MANOR STREETS

5A: Manor Street
Infill/Property
Enhancements
5B: Consolidated
Parking Resources
(Typ.)
5C: West King Infill
Development/Prope

Redevelopment

EAST KING STREET

6A: Excelsion Build

6A: Excelsion Building 6B: East King Infill Development 6C: Façade/Property

### SOUTH PRINCE/SOUTH QUEEN STREETS

7B: South Prince Infill Development 7C: Façade/Property Enhancements 7D: Rebman's Redevelopment

#### **SOUTH DUKE STREET**

8A: Conestoga Plaza 8B: Conestoga East 8C. Conestoga North 8D: Residential Infill Opportunity

8E: South Duke Square 8F: South Duke Infill Development 8G: Outdoor Market

### Development Financing Advancements

- ✓ City Land Bank \$1 Million (over 4 yrs.)
- ✓ New Market Tax Credits \$19 Million to City development projects since 2016
- ✓ City Revitalization & Improvement Zone (CRIZ) \$3.55 Million in 1<sup>st</sup> Year of State Program
- ✓ Biannual Banker Briefings
- ✓ Quarterly Finance Squad Meetings























### Embracing the Collaborative Economy:

Cultivating Entrepreneurs (Creative + Tech)

### Strategy 2 | Recommendations



- 2A | Entrepreneurs Forum
- » 2B | Lancaster Creative Spaces Initiative
  - » 2B1 | Lancaster Innovation Center
  - » 2B2 | Harvest Park Lancaster (Food Hub)
  - > 2B3 | The Lancaster Arts Lab
- » 2C | Neighbor hood Healthy Food Initiative







### Leveraging the Brand:

Marketing Lancaster City

# Strategy 3 | **Recommendations**



- 3A | Locate Lancaster Residential Initiativ e
- 3B | Locate Lancaster Economic Dev elopment Initiativ e
- 3C | Building the City Brand for Tourism through LOOP (Lancaster Office of Promotion

























September 20, 2016
"This small town in Amish Country is the new Brooklyn"

### The New York Times

January 20, 2017

"A Pennsylvania Restaurant That's Hot in More Ways Than One"

# KEYSTONE EDGE

March 15, 2017

"City on the Rise"

Paste

October 6, 2016

"Nine Reasons Why Lancaster, PA is the New Portlandia"



**DAILY®NEWS** 

March 3, 2017

"Lancaster, Pennsylvania is much cooler than you think"

4th Most Exciting Small City in the U.S.

### Quality of Life:

Reinforcing Commercial Hubs

### Strategy 4 | Recommendations



- AA | Foster Commercial Hubs within Neighborhoods (Economic Development)
- A ccessibility
  A cressibility
  - » 4B1 | Tw o-W ay Street Conversions
  - > 4B2 | Cir culator
  - » 4B3 | Bicy cle Netw or k
  - » 4B4 | Gateways and Streetscapes
- AC | Commercial Hub Partner Or ganizations

>> = In-Pr ogr ess





### QUALITY OF LIFE Southeast Lancaster: S. Duke Street Enhancements Gathering Space at Community Gardens Street Enhancement Components: Street Cartway Modifications Pedestrian Streetscape Components as required by Streetscape Design Guidelines Proposed Crosswalks **Enhanced Gateways Public Gathering Spaces** Sculptural Landforms Green Infrastructure Opportunities Landscape Improvements





Tree Removal and Replacements per Arborist Recommendations

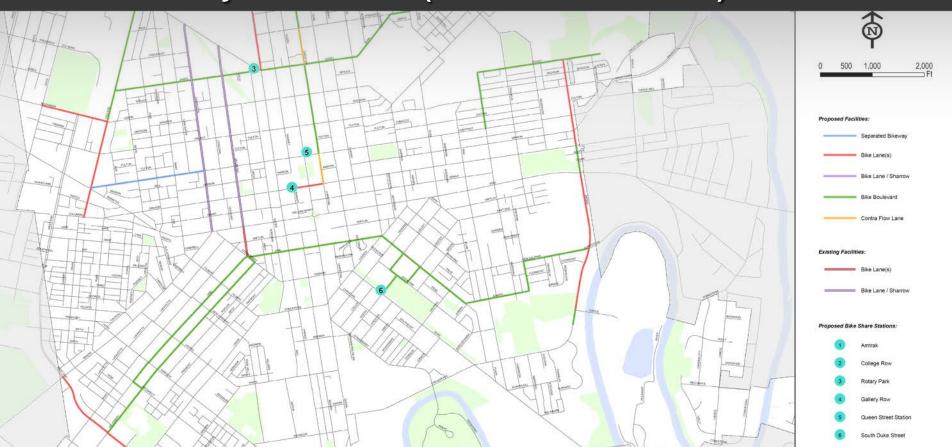
New Plantings to define Public Space

Potential Outdoor Boys and Girls Club Space



### Proposed Bike Facilities 2017 Implementation

#### Lancaster Bicycle Network (Under Construction)



## 4B | STREET NETWORK + IMPROVED ACCESSIBILITY Lancaster Bike Share (Late 2017 Launch)







# Measuring Progress / BUILDING MOMENTUM

#### In 27 Months . . .



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(This is a 15-Year Plan!)

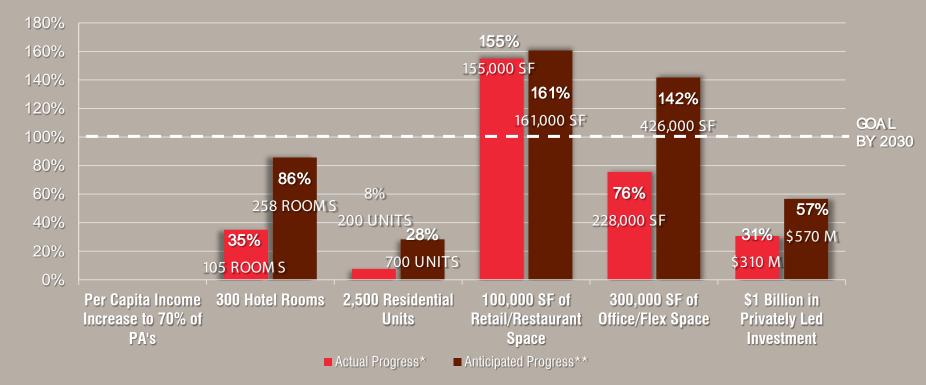
### **OUTCOMES** Planned By 2030

- 1. Increase the per capita income to 70% that of Pennsylvania.
- 2. Create 300 new hotel rooms.
- 3. See 2,500 new residential units of all types/price points.
- 4. A chieve 100,000 SF of new +renovated retail/restaurant space.

#### OUTCOMES Planned By 2030 (cont'd.)

- 5. Fill 300,000 SF of office +flex space.
- 6. Realize \$1 billion in privately-led investment.
- 7. See ongoing private investment that will outweigh public investment in economic development.

### PROGRESS Toward Outcomes



<sup>\* &</sup>quot;Actual" reflects only projects recently completed and currently under construction.

<sup>\*\* &</sup>quot;Anticipated" reflects projects recently completed and currently under construction, and also assumes planned and conceptual development projects will come to fruition.

### "Realize \$1 Billion in Private Investment"

Privately-Led Investment in Dollars, by Commercial Hub (Various Phases of Development)



#### THE BIG BUILD

Planners work to minimize traffic crunch in downtown Lancaster with three major construction projects slated to begin in city

hile lauding the financial boon of several big, highprofile construction projects in Lancaster, city officials are gearing up for the inevitable traffic crunch that comes with the territory.

not all happening at the ect kicks in. same time. ... We'll have to make adjustments as each project comes up."

Marriott at Penn Square. Fulton Financial and the former Bulova buildings, all within two blocks of Penn Square. Work on the projects is not concurrent. although they will overlap.

Work on the Marriott is scheduled to begin this ing at East King and North week. The Bulova project will begin over the summer, and the Fulton job starts later this year.

Charlotte Katzenmover, director of public works for the city, said Friday she can't comment on traffic flow during construction.

However, deputy director Matt Metzler said the plan is to keep two lanes of traffic open on King Street overlap with a \$39.4 million throughout the Marriott expansion of the Marriott. work - at the expense of across King street, and a some on-street parking -

"We've been discussing and builders will do their it," Mayor Rick Grav said best to keep both lanes Friday. "Fortunately, it's open once the Fulton proj-

The city requires that one sidewalk on that block of King Street remain open Major projects are and handicapped-accesplanned at the Lancaster sible during construction,

#### Projects on tap

Fulton Financial recently announced plans to build a three-story, 60,000-square-foot build-Christian streets.

The \$21 million project will expand Fulton headquarters, providing space for 400 employees.

Fulton Financial executive E. Philip Wenger said construction is expected to start in the fourth quarter of this year, with completion by the end of 2018.

The Fulton project will

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#### CONSTRUCTION ZONE

Pictured, from top, are architectural renderings of three upcoming downtown Lancaster building projects:

 The 12-story, 105-room expansion planned for the Lancaster Marriott at Penn Square.

• The Bulova Building at the northeast corner of North Queen and East Orange streets

· A Fulton Financial building that will be built on a grass lot at the northeast corner of East King and North







#### **Traffic:** In city

Continued from A1 \$28.5 million renovation of the former Bulova building at North Oueen and Orange streets.

#### Marriott project

The 68,100-squarefoot Marriott project will expand the hotel by 110 rooms, addressing a shortage of hotel rooms needed to attract larger conventions to the adjoining Lancaster County Convention Center, according to Mark Fitzgerald, Penn Square Partners executive vice president and chief operating officer.

The new Marriott tower - which also includes first-floor retail space ers." and a rooftop lounge requires demolition of properties at 14, 16 and 18 E. King St. Work begins this week and is expected to take 18 months.

The project to rehabilitate the former Bulova building at 101 N. Queen St. is intended to transform the long-vacant space into a mix of retail, known as 101 NO.

David Martens, president of Zamagias Properties, said the plain brick walls at North Queen and Orange streets will be replaced with an airy mix of metal and glass. The building itself will be gutted.

Work is expected to begin this summer and conclude in 2019.

The plan includes 35 apartment units, condominiums on the fourth floor and 20,000 square feet of street-level retail.

#### Shifting traffic

Hopefully, Gray said, "the disruption on King Street will be minimized.'

It's "certainly to their advantage to keep traffic flowing," he said.

But it's hard to make plans in advance, he said. because construction schedules are fluid.

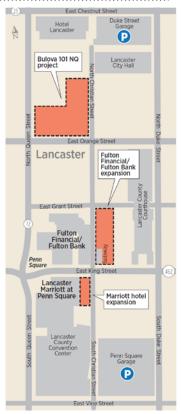
"We just have to accommodate the inconvenience in the short term for the long-term improvement," Gray said. "You continually have to adjust things to keep the flow of traffic as smooth as possible ... and accommodate both the construction and the travel-

Tom Smithgall, senior vice president of development for High Real Estate Group LLC, said the group has "worked closely with the city to develop a traffic control plan that will minimize the construction impact of the Marriott expansion."

Smithgall said both lanes on King Street will offices and residences be shifted so they can remain open during construction. The sidewalk on the south side of East King Street will be closed to pedestrians.

Stripes will be painted on East King and barricades will be erected in the first week of May to indicate new traffic patterns, he said. Temporary control signs to moderate vehicle and pedestrian traffic will be

Demolition of the buildings on King Street much open as we can," is scheduled to begin Gray said.



May 8, Smithgall said.

The mayor doesn't anticipate traffic being diverted from the work areas, although parking lanes will be used temporarily for travel.

"We're going to keep as

"It's one of the great things about the grid in the city," Gray added. "If I know if traffic is iammed on Chestnut Street, I can go down a block and get around it. There are ways to avoid it once you know what's happening."

### LESSONS LEARNED

### Lesson 1 | Seek Input

- ✓ Bolster engagement with numerous, diverse touchpoints
- ✓ Leverage trusted community members as champions
- ✓ Elevate residents + foster plan ownership via engagement
- ✓ Recognize + complement other efforts, making connections
- ✓ Bring the meetings to the community

### Lesson 1 | Seek Input

#### TO REMEMBER:

- Have patience when listening to community voices that are new at the table
- Demonstrate progress at each milestone
- □ **Set the stage** without being repetitive to "regulars"
- **Explore a deeper, targeted engagement approach** for Hispanic population (bi-lingual promotion is important, but insufficient)

### Lesson 2 | Social Equity

- ✓ Include Commercial Hubs for a more equitable, holistic plan
- ✓ Define the limited scope but acknowledge peripheral concerns
- ✓ Balance the goals of Economic Development with larger issues of poverty, unemployment, etc.
- ✓ Emphasize the importance of connections

### Lesson 3 | Logistics

- ✓ Identify aspirations + outcomes to measure success to gain credibility
- ✓ Demonstrate commitment with transparency + diligence
- ✓ Delegate + share responsibility for implementation
- ✓ Remain resilient in the face of changing administrations

### Lesson 3 | Logistics

#### TO REMEMBER:

- ☐ Limit + balance the size of committees for manageability
- ☐ Invite diverse representation for project committees

### Lesson 4 | Think Outside the Box

- ✓ Think beyond "traditional" Economic Development and tap
  the creative
- ✓ Demonstrate the relevance of quality of life recommendations—without which, not much else will succeed
- ✓ Shift away from "big projects" to leveraging those projects into ongoing economic development

### QUESTIONS + ANSWERS



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