

# Lycoming County: Innovative Participation Methods

APA PA Central Section Workshop

April 7, 2011

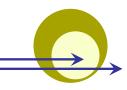




# **Municipal Corridor Plans**

Brownfield Assessment Program identified

- two corridors, the I-180 and the Old Mill, as having high potential for redevelopment
- Need for Strategic Plan for the corridors
- Three Step Process:
  - Feasibility
  - Visioning
  - Implementation Strategy





# **Plan Details: Visioning**

#### Wick Off Meeting: May 1, 2009

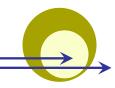
### Public Meetings:

- Old Mill Corridor
- October 29, 2009
- July 20, 2010
- November 10, 2010

#### Steering Council Meetings:

- December 2, 2009
- June 30, 2010
- October 27, 2010
- Landowner Interviews and Surveys: October 2009
- Youth Ambassador Program: December 2009 March 2010
- Briefings to Municipal Officials
- Moving Meetings

- I-180 Corridor
- October 28, 2009
- July 21, 2010
- November 9, 2010



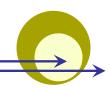


# Visioning: Public Meetings

Corridor Plan Steering Council: Sounding board for the Planning Process

- 28 Community Members representing Williamsport, Montgomery, and the County of Lycoming
- <u>Municipal Official Briefing Sessions</u>: Bi-monthly for each municipality to keep them involved
  - Planning Commission, Councils & Mayors

Public Meetings: Open house style – info. stations - Intake forms: Surveys, and Evaluations





### Visioning: Public Meetings

Shaping the Future

Moving forward to

revitalize municipaliti

Put your money\*

where your mouth is!

MUNICIPAL CORRIDOR PLAN

PUBLIC MEETING AND OPEN HOUSE

BORO HALL – 35 S. Main Street, Montgomery WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 10

5:00 - 7:00PM - Arrive any time and stay as long as you like

We need YOUR input to develop a vision for the future of Montgomery!

Come decide the priorities of the Old Mill Corridor Plan!

If you can't attend:

Check out the project website at www.lyco.org/corridorplan.

or contact Rachelle Ricotta at 570-320-2134 - reicotta@vco.org

in Lycoming County

(HIND AWARD)



#### Shaping the Future Moving forward to revitalize municipalities in Lycoming County

Come to the meeting to get involved and let your voice be heard!



#### MUNICIPAL CORRIDOR PLAN PUBLIC MEETING AND OPEN HOUSE

CITY HALL — Community Room (2nd Floor) WEDNESDAY, JULY 21

5:00 - 7:00PM - Arrive any time and stay as long as you like

We need YOUR input to develop a vision for the future of Williamsport! Come learn about the findings from the I-180 Corridor Feasibility Study and Market Assessment! Learn what the Youth Ambassadors have been up to! Tell us what you think of the project so far!

#### If you can't attend:

 Check out the project website at www.dyco.org/corridorplan
 Set up a Moving Meeting for your group or organization by contacting Rachelle Ricotta at 570-320-2134 or reicotta@lyco.org





# Visioning: Youth Involvement

- <u>Youth Ambassador Program:</u> Partnership with School District to engage students in Corridor Plan
  - Timeframe of YAP: December March 2010
  - 13 Students from Williamsport
  - 17 Students from Montgomery
  - Peer to Peer Survey prior to Workshops

### <u>Significant Outcomes:</u>

- Continued Participation by youth & their families
- Exposure to Municipal Government & Planning -- presentation in front of Councils & School Districts
- Ownership & Pride in their Community
- Youth Ambassadors Council for Williamsport





### **Montgomery YAP: Day 1**





### Preliminary Plans







### **Montgomery YAP: Day 2**

### DEVELOPMENT OF PRELIMINARY PLANS

### Small Groups! 4 Different Plans!





Lots of Ideas!





# **Montgomery YAP: Day 3**

### FOUR Plans Become ONE! Development of Final Plan

Rational Planning Process

Define Goals & Objectives





Generate Alternatives/Solutions

Analyze Solutions & Collect Data





Select Alternative

Implement



### Montgomery YAP: Final Plan



#### LYCOMING COUNTY MUNICIPAL CORRIDOR PLANS MAP 4.2: OLD MILL CORRIDOR IMPLEMENTATION PLAN









### Williamsport YAP: Day 1













### Preliminary Plans



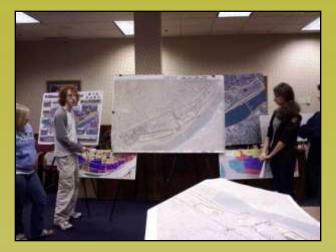


### Williamsport YAP: Day 2

### PRESENTATION OF PRELIMINARY PLANS

### Small Groups! **3** Different Plans!





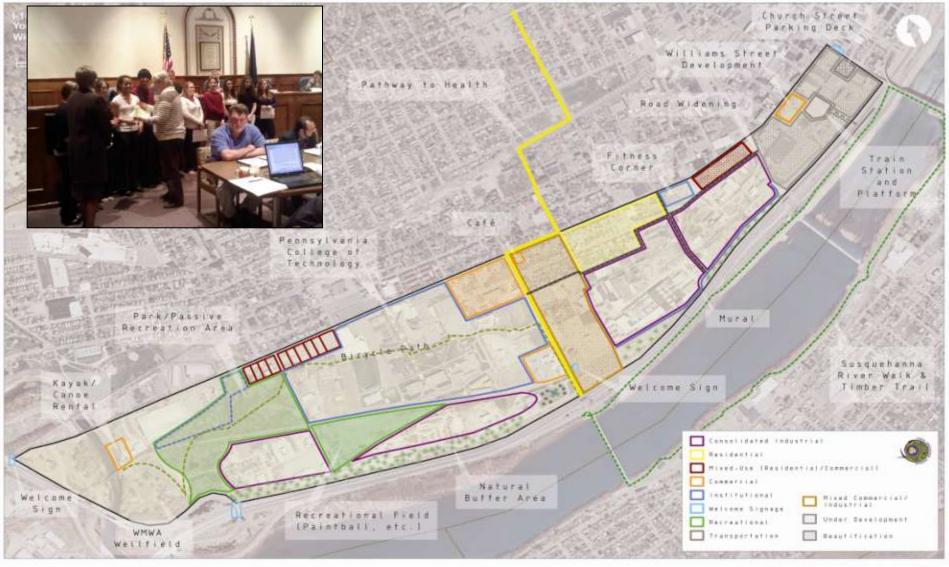






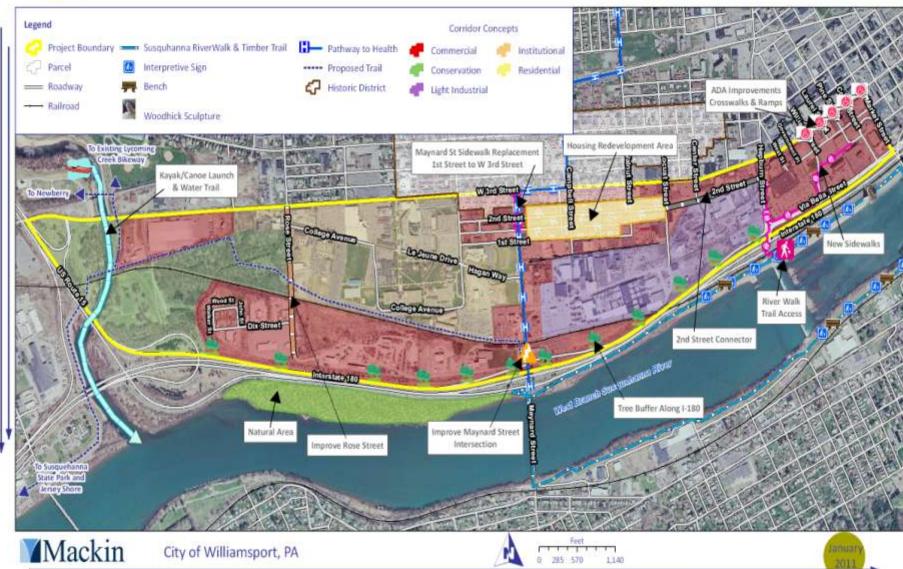


# Williamsport YAP: Final





#### LYCOMING COUNTY MUNICIPAL CORRIDOR PLANS MAP 4.1: 1-180 IMPLEMENTATION PLAN





### **Other Participation Methods**

<u>Moving Meetings:</u> "If you can't come to us, we will come to you!" (Meeting in a Box)

- Corridor Plan, Walkability Communities Study

Interactive Displays: Get PCD in public view

Interactive Website: Provide Comment on Projects

- Open Door Policy: Always there to hear comments
- <u>Newspaper:</u> Partnership on projects (positive image)





# **Questions?**

### **Thank You!**

