



# Abayomi Community Development Corporation

# A HOUSING AND SOCIOECONOMIC ANALYSIS

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## **Project Scope**



The Abayomi Practicum Team has worked in conjunction with the Abayomi Community Development Corporation to produce a Housing and Socioeconomic Analysis. The results from these studies have been used to formulate recommendations on how to strengthen and expand homeownership and community vibrancy.

### Housing Analysis:

- Windshield Survey
- Housing Database
- Resource Inventory

### Socioeconomic Analysis:

- Housing Characteristics
- Population Characteristics
- Economic Characteristics
- Comparative Database



## **Abayomi CDC**



The Abayomi Community Development Corporation was established in 1997 as a non-profit organization with the mission, to "strengthen and secure families and the local community through comprehensive community building".

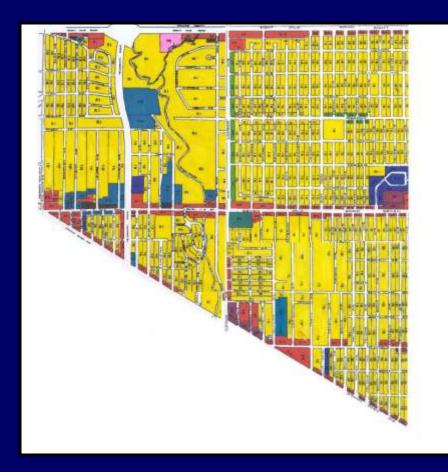






## **Local Zoning**





### **Zoning Districts**

#### Residential Districts

R1 Single-Family Residential District

R2 Two-Family Residential District

R3 Low Density Residential District

R5 Medium Density Residential District

R6 High Density Residential District

#### **Business Districts**

B1 Restricted Business District

B2 Local Business and Residential District

**B3** Shopping District

**B4** General Business District

#### Special Districts District

PD Planned Development District

P1 Open Parking District

PC Public Center District

PR Parks and Recreation District









## S.W.O.T. Analysis



### Strengths:

- Community partnerships
- Neighborhood schools
- Overall condition of housing stock is good

### Opportunities:

- Access to public funding and assistance for homebuying and maintenance.
- Vacant land
- Abayomi Family Life Center

### Weaknesses:

- Presence of blighted property
- Street parking
- Preconceptions about the City of Detroit

### Threats:

- Perception of crime & drugs
- Deferment of housing maintenance
- Lack of place for youth to congregate





To better understand the environment that exists within the Abayomi CDC's 'Service Area', we have compiled data on neighboring communities to act as points of comparison.

### **Communities of Comparison:**

- SOUTHFIELD
- INKSTER
- REDFORD
- SERVICE AREA



<sup>\*</sup> Data collected from Census 2000



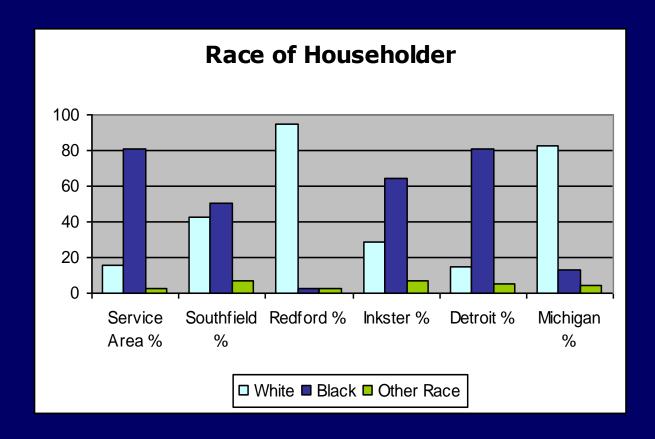


POPULATION 1990 - 2000					
LOCATION	1990	2000	% change		
Service Area	34,866	33,243	-4.7%		
Southfield	75,728	78,296	3.4%		
Redford	54,387	51,622	-5.1%		
Inkster	30,772	30,115	-2.1%		
Detroit	1,027,974	951,270	-7.5%		
Michigan	9,295,297	9,938,444	6.9%		

•Population has declined, but less than Detroit as a whole, and at a rate comparable to two of the neighboring communities.



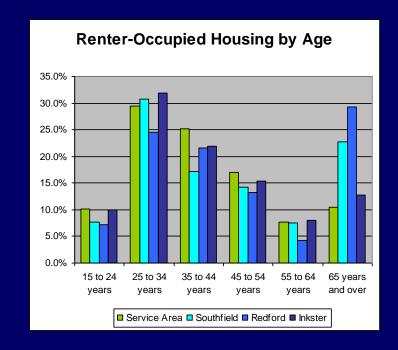


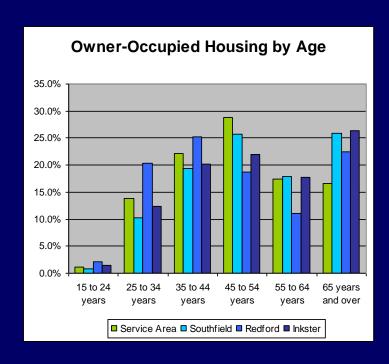


•The racial composition of the service area closely resembles that of Detroit as a whole.





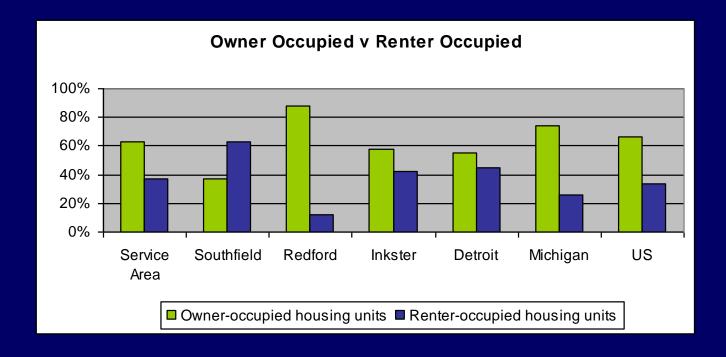




•The service area's population is relatively young.



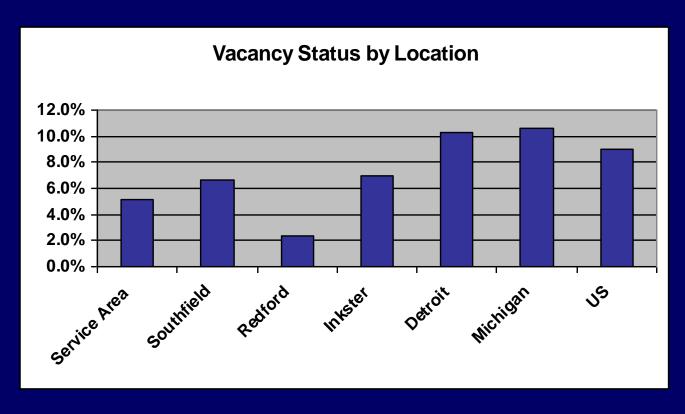




Homeownership levels within the service area are strong.



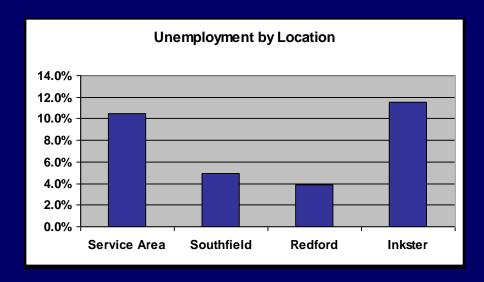


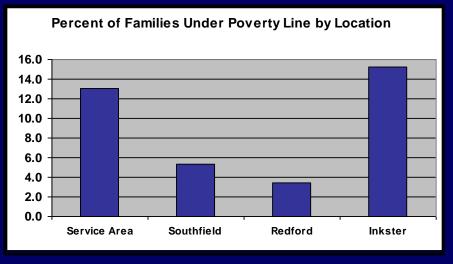


Vacancy levels in the service area are low.











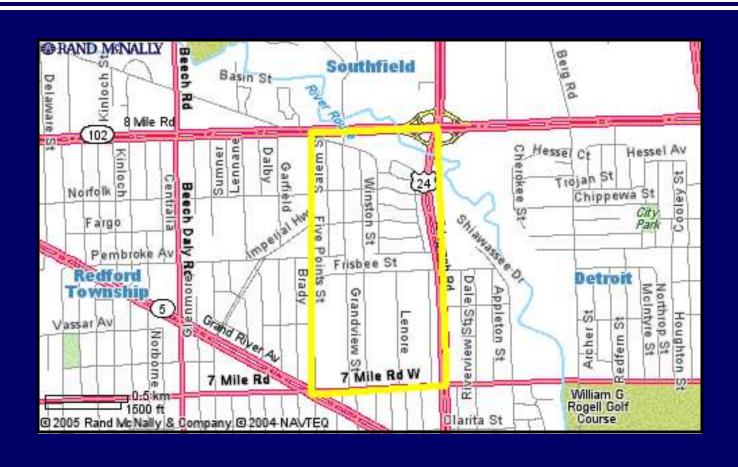


### Methodology:

- Identification of 'Core Area'
- Conduct Observational Windshield Survey
- Compilation of data into spreadsheet
- Integration of Housing Values/Ownership
  - Retrieved from Detroit City Assessor's Office











### **OBSERVATIONAL** HOUSING **SURVEY**

### Identification of Characteristics

- Occupancy
- Building Use
- Structure
- Observable Condition

### **Grading of Physical Traits**

- Exterior Structure
- Doors & Windows
- Paint or Finish
- Roof

#### Abayomi CDC Neighborhood and Profile Analysis **Housing Conditions Survey Instrument**

Street Name Photo No (Please check one) Occupancy Occupied Vacant Building Use

- - Single Family
  - Multi Family
  - Apartment.
  - Mixed Use (Residential & Commercial)

#### Structure

- Cinder Block
- Frame
- Stone Observable Condition
  - Maintained
  - Vandalized
  - Boarded
  - Red Tagged

Categories	Minor Deterioration (1 Point)	Major Deterioration (2 Points)	Extreme Deterioration (3 Points)
Exterior Structure X2	Superficial cracks or weathering.	Missing Siding, water damage.	Fire damage, holes in walls.
Doors and Windows	Dirty glass, minor weathering, chipped paint around windows.	Cracked windows or missing panes.	Missing windows or doors; boarded structure.
Paint or Finish	Minor chipping.	50% of structure has chipped paint or siding is warped.	Much has chipped paint of structure or places where siding has stripped.
Roof X2	Missing some tiles, less than 10% of roof is weathering.	Sagging roof, 50% of material is weathered or missing fascia.	Hole in roof or no material.

(Add up the Points and Circle One)

- 0-4, good
   >4-10, fair
- >10+, poor







"GOOD" CONDITION

Receives a value 0-4

Exterior Structure (0)

Doors and Windows (0)

Paint or Finish (0)

Roof (0)



"FAIR" CONDITION

Received a value 5-10

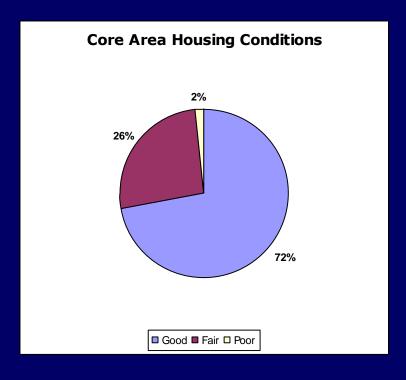


"POOR" CONDITION
Received a value 11+





### **RESULTS**



### **Housing Units Surveyed: 577**

- 415 classified "Good"
- 152 classified "Fair"
- 10 classified "Poor"





### **RESULTS**

**Observed Conditions** 

Core Area Parcel Map 1

- GREEN: received rating of "Good"
- YELLOW: received rating of "Fair"
- RED: received rating of "Poor"







### **RESULTS**

Tenure Status

Core Area Parcel Map 2

■ **BLUE**: Owner-occupied

ORANGE: Renter-occupied







### **RESULTS**

**Observed Vacancies** 

Core Area Parcel Map 1

■ **BLUE**: Occupied

RED: Vacant





## Recommendations



### **Home Maintenance:**

- Michigan State Housing Development Authority [MSHDA]
   Home Improvement Loans
  - Households with income under can be \$66,800 eligible for loans up to \$25,000 on single properties for improvement and beautification purposes
- Purchase of basic home repair tools and supplies to lend out to homeowners in need
- Offer basic home and yard maintenance education courses for local homeowners
- Continued support and expansion of the "Paint the Town" program



## Recommendations



### **Home Ownership:**

- Michigan State Housing Development Authority [MSHDA]
   Low-interest Home Loans
  - Households with income under \$67,800 are eligible for loans which can be used to purchase homes at prices up to \$209,400
- Develop a land bank by purchasing and rehabilitating properties in the area that have been "red-tagged" for repossession and sale or demolition





## **THANK YOU!**