

Transportation Finance

Living Within Your Means



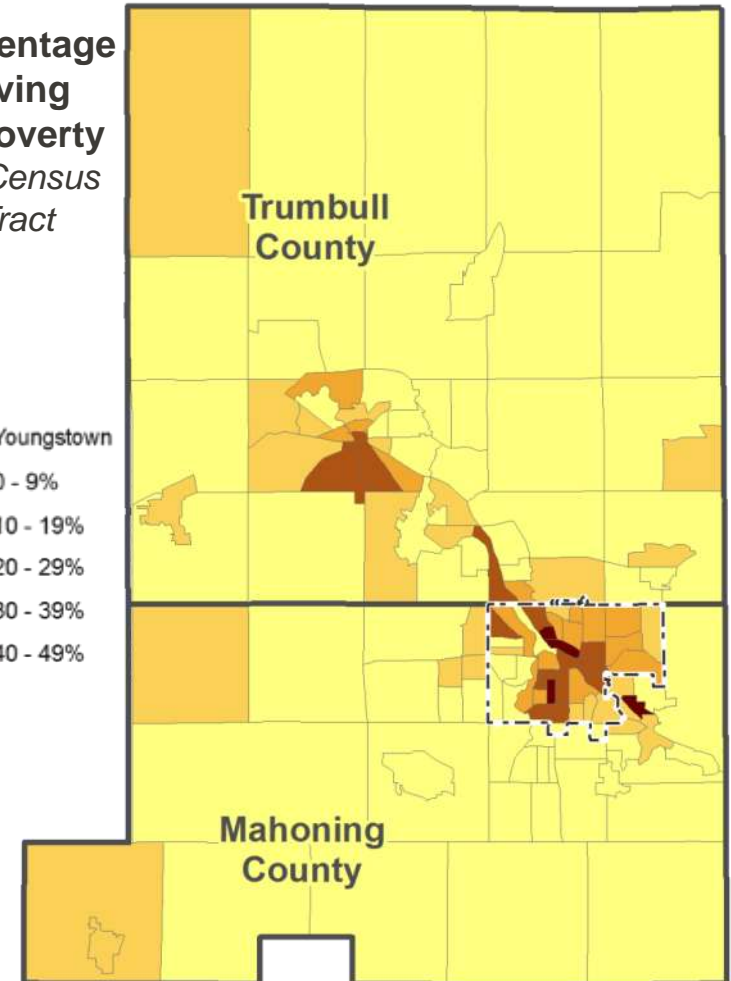
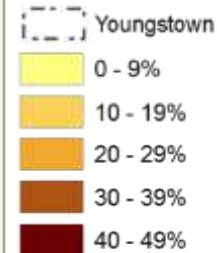
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Eastgate's MPO Area



	Mahoning County	Trumbull County
Population	240,554	213,325
Per capita Income	\$22,611	\$22,243
Individuals Below Poverty Level	16.2%	14.4%
Unemployment	12.1%	12.7%

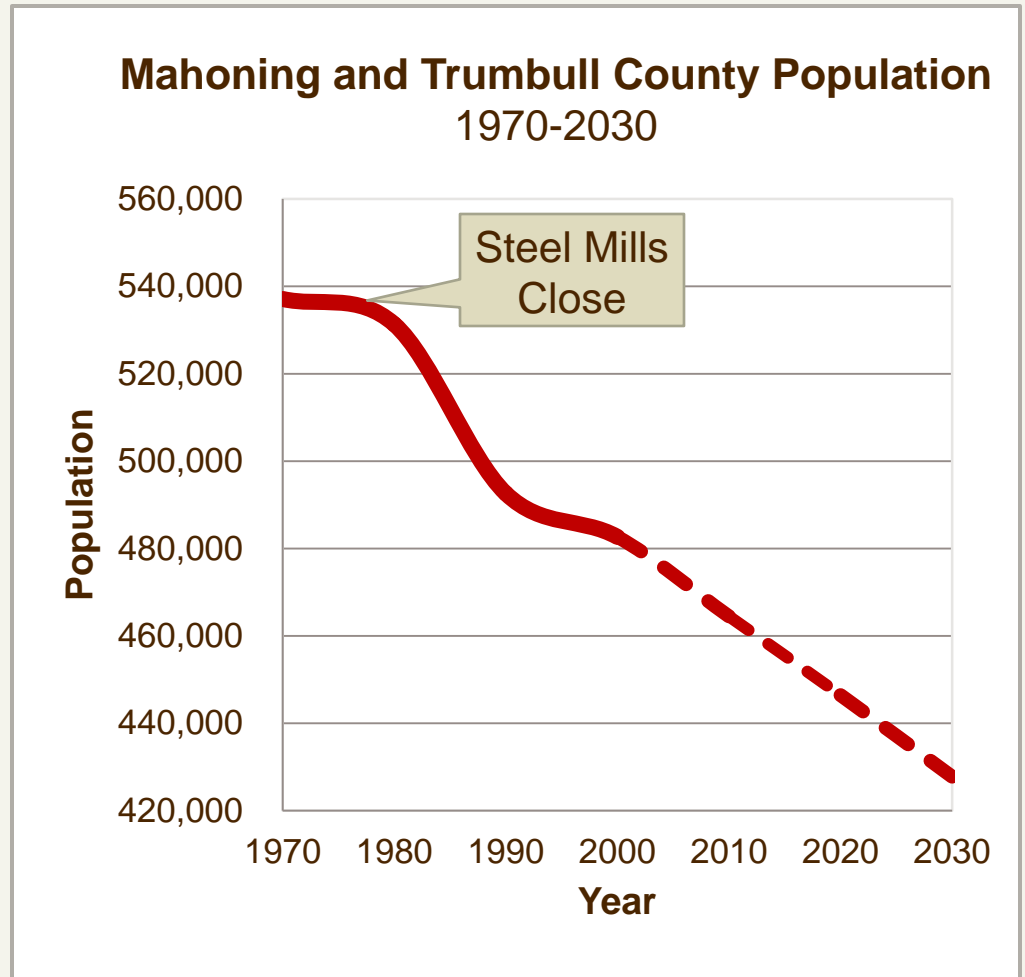
Percentage Living in Poverty By Census Tract



Trends in Eastgate's MPO Area

The past 30 years...

- Losing jobs
- Losing people
- Losing tax base
- Losing transportation dollars



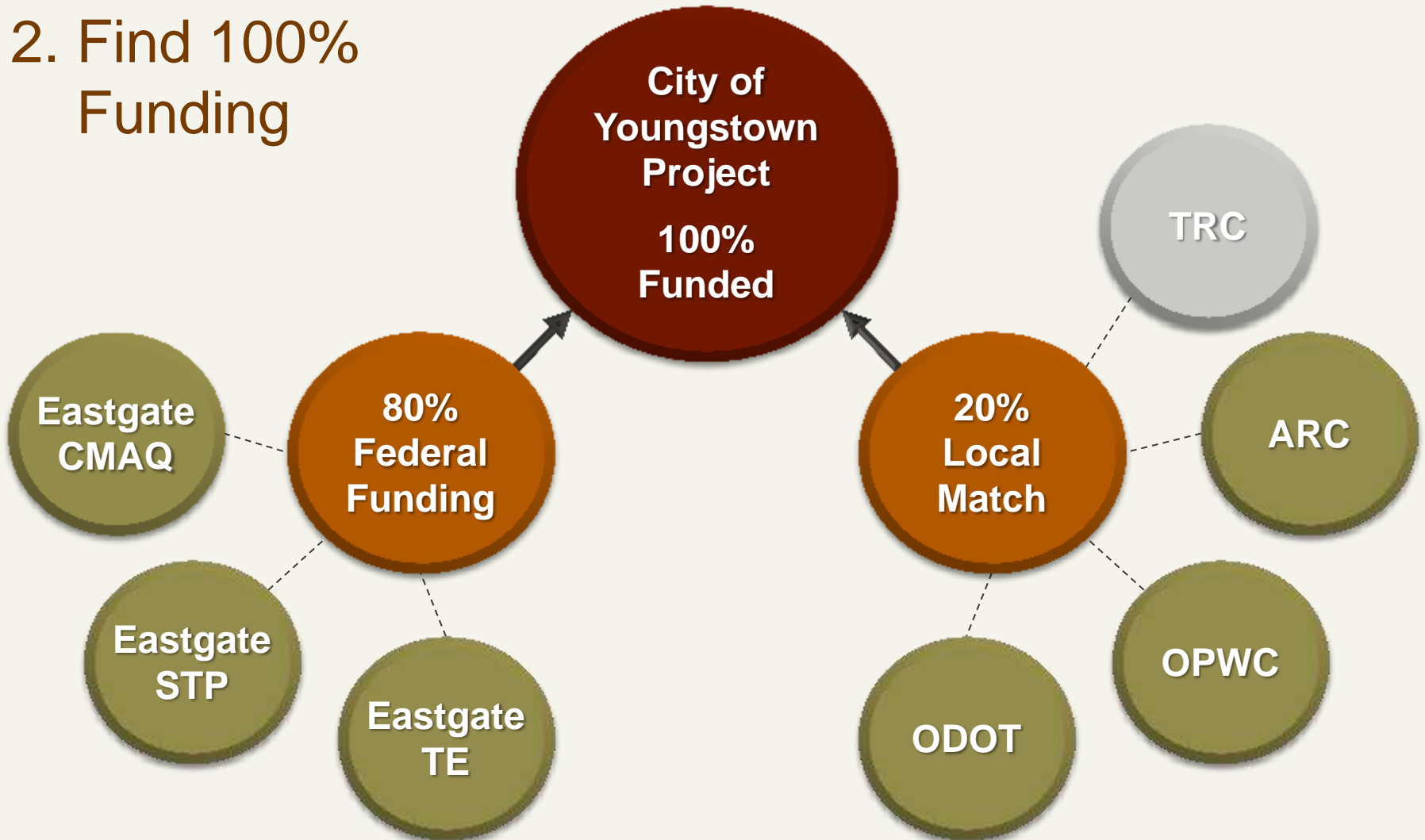
Delivering Projects in a Recession

1. Adjust Funding Stipulations

Eastgate	Past Typical MPO Practices
Funds all phases of a project	Funds only construction phase
Funds all eligible projects	Evenly distribute funds
Funds resurfacing projects	Does not fund resurfacing projects
Allows a generous cost overrun for construction, PE and RW	Does not allow cost overruns
Permits a “local match” from any non-federal funding source	Requires “local match” be from general fund

Delivering Projects in a Recession

2. Find 100% Funding



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3. Develop Partnerships

Ohio Department of Transportation- District 4

- Understands local finances
- Provides excellent coordination and cooperation
- Swaps funds with Eastgate
 - Federal for State
 - Eastgate requests State funds to provide “local match”
- Is flexible



Local Communities

- All of Eastgate’s communities are dealing with declining funds.
- Economic situation resulted in more cooperation, partnerships, and sharing of resources in our two-county area.

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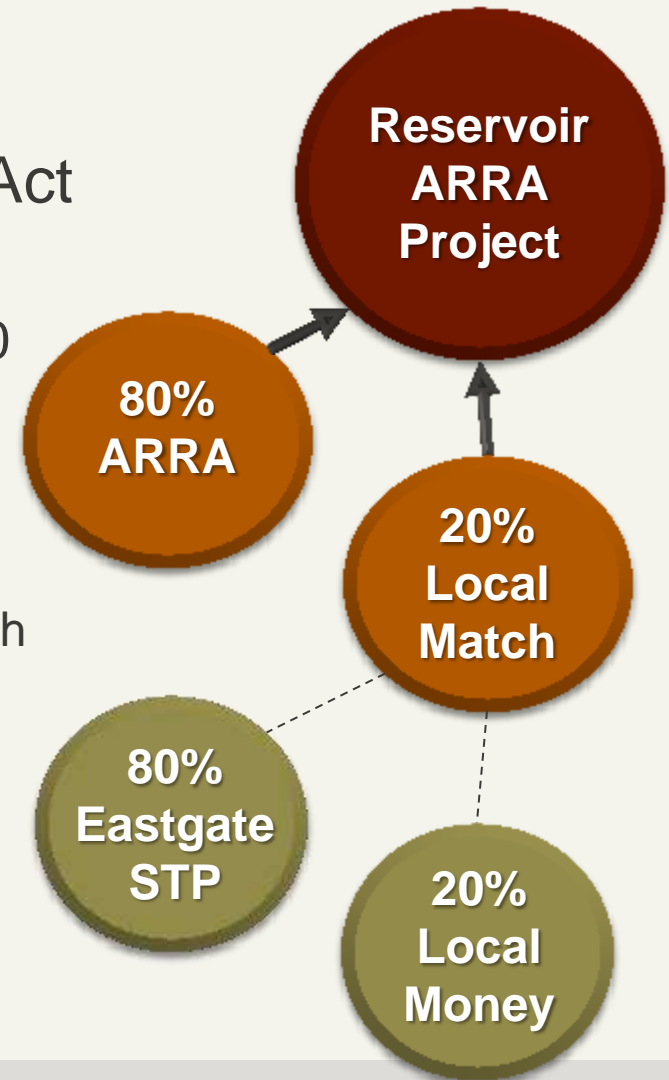
4. Seize Opportunities

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

- Eastgate received over \$9.3 million
- Local communities spent less than \$75,000 on local match from general fund
- Initial projects funded at 100%
- Reservoir projects funded at 80%
 - Eastgate also paid 80% of 20% local match

Earmarks

- Traditional transportation earmarks preferred



Success in a Recession

Some Youngstown projects funded at 100%

Market Street

- Cost: Over \$2 million
- Funding: Toll Revenue Credit and Eastgate STP

5th Avenue Bridge

- Cost: Over \$2 million
- Funding: Toll Revenue Credit and Eastgate STP

Mahoning Avenue Bridge

- Cost: \$4 million
- Funding: Toll Revenue Credit, Eastgate STP, and County Engineers Association of Ohio



Success in a Recession

Eastgate Funding Review: State Fiscal Years 07-09

Over **\$110 million** in federal transportation dollars secured with **less than a 10% local match** from community general funds.

Eastgate's federal allocation for FY07- FY09 was \$30 million.



Mayor Jay Williams, City of Youngstown

Success in a Recession



I-80 over Meander Reservoir
Cost: \$91.5 million
Completed: 2009



711 Connector
Cost: \$63 million
Completed: 2005

Success in a Recession

Other Projects

- SR 616 Bridge
- Center Street Bridge
- MRCO Bridge
- McDonald Viaduct
- King Graves Road Interchange
- Niles Viaduct
- Belmont Street Bridge
- Jacobs Road Bridge
- US 422 Widening
- Marshall Street Bridge
- Spring Commons Bridge
- I-80 at SR 46 Widening



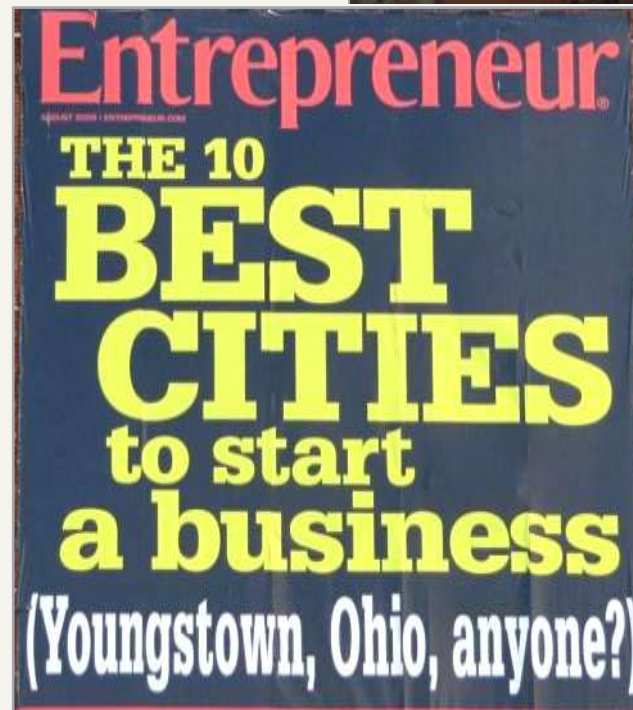
Comprehensive Redevelopment

Steel Belt → Tech Belt

- Youngstown Business Incubator
- Turning Technologies
- MR7 Technologies
- Grow Mahoning Valley

Working Together

- Save Our Air Base Reservists (SOAR)
- Keep GM Lordstown Open
- Efficient Gov Now



Comprehensive Redevelopment

Programs

- Metropolitan Planning Organization
- Ohio Public Works Commission
- Economic Development
- Water Quality Management
- Green Pact/Clean Ohio
- Appalachian Regional Commission

Services

- GIS Mapping/Traffic Counting
- Census Demographics
- Bi-State Coordination



Special Assistance

- Campbell Emergency Funding
- Youngstown Water Main Repair
- Mahoning River Dredging

Local Involvement

- Youngstown State University
- Kent State University
- Mahoning River Corridor Initiative
- Operating Vehicle Impaired (OVI) Task Force/ Fatality Review
- Great Ohio Lake-to-River Greenway
- Alliance for Watershed Action and Resource Education (AWARE)
- Ohio Hub of Innovation and Opportunity
- Youngstown 2010

