

# Leveraging HUD's Sustainable Communities Initiative

## Creating Sustainable Places

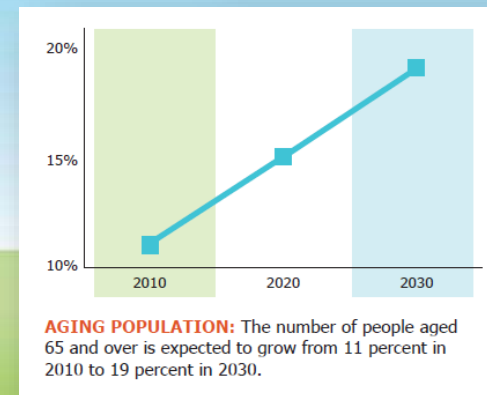
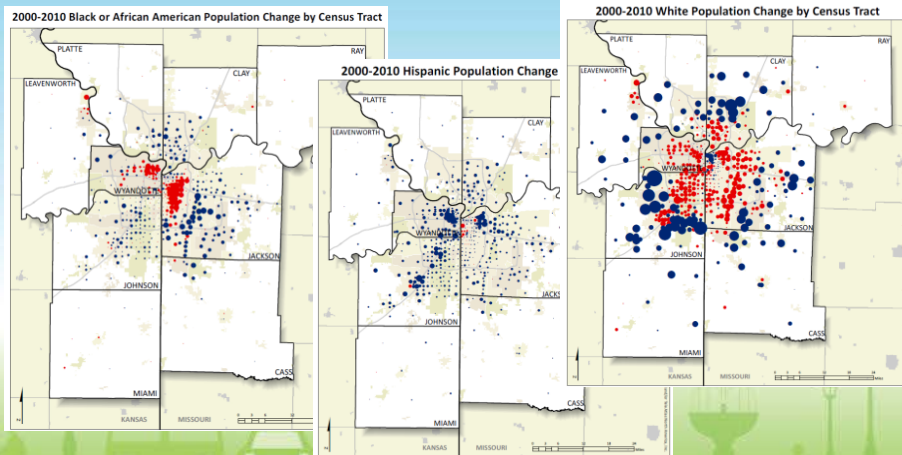
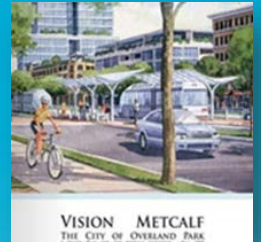
A Centers-and-Corridors Strategy for Regional Sustainability

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# Original Goals

- Help communities and the region
  - Implement plans that are already in place
  - Adapt to changing demographics and economics



# Three-Year Grant: Broad Work Plan

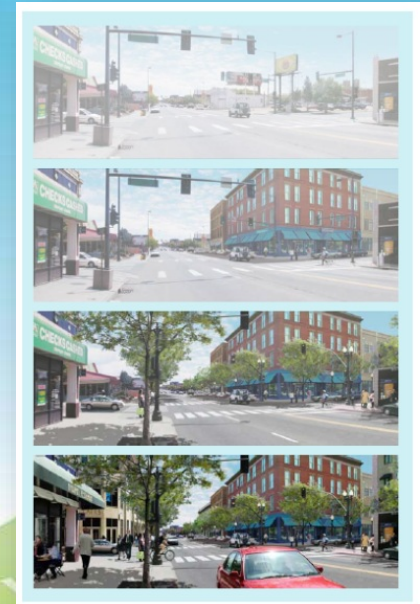
## Organize for Success

- CSP Coordinating Committee
- Regional Equity Partners
- Imagine KC (public television)



## Develop Tools

- Envision Tomorrow
- Visualization
- Natural Resource Inventory
- Indicators



## Demonstrations

- Corridor Plans – 6 corridors
- Planning Sustainable Places grants
- Housing Strategy

# As We Closed Out the Grant

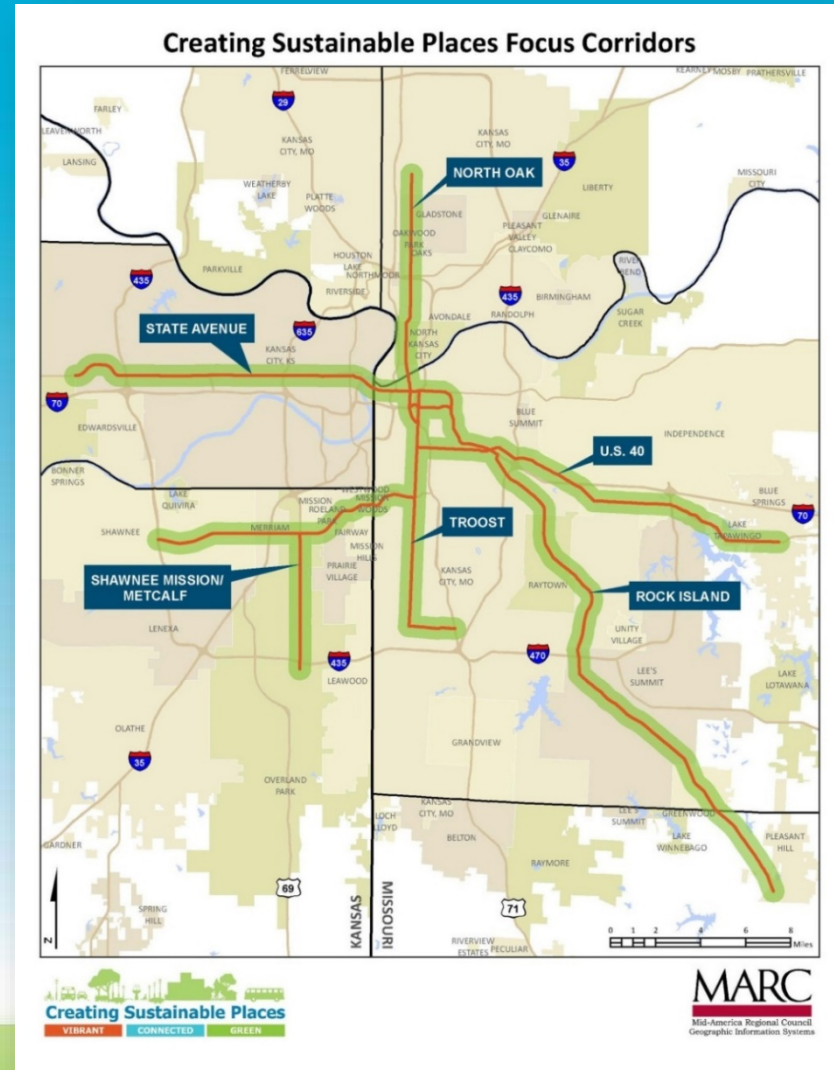
Key Goal - Set the region up for success

- Three key strategies
  - Move corridor plans to implementation
  - Develop an on-going grant process
  - Develop a process for applying tools
- Three key relationships
  - Support the Regional Equity Network
  - Develop an on-going relationship with the development community
  - Continue community engagement

# Future Success – Corridor Implementation

Completed 6 corridor plans

- Density required to support public transportation
- Downtown bike/ped plans
- Community awareness and support for more extensive planning
- Work with specific developers on ambitious plans
- Develop key nodes; inner city, post-WW II, developing suburb
- Key nodes blurring the corridor boundary
- First steps in creating a new trail (eventually rail) corridor



# Future Success - PSP Process

- Refine the Planning Sustainable Places Grant Process
  - Criteria
  - Oversight
  - Coordination with state DOTs
  - Coordination with award of construction dollars



# Future Success - PSP Process

- Benefits of Process
  - Provides planning funds for more complicated projects
  - Especially helpful to smaller communities
  - Concrete way to target funds to local priorities
  - Meeting a demand – 100 applications awarded 51
  - Helps move plans to implementation



# Future Success – Continued Implementation

- Planning Sustainable Places Grant Program
  - Round 3 of grants for local communities
  - Supporting plan development and steps toward plan implementation
  - Has impact on projects that receive federal funding for construction

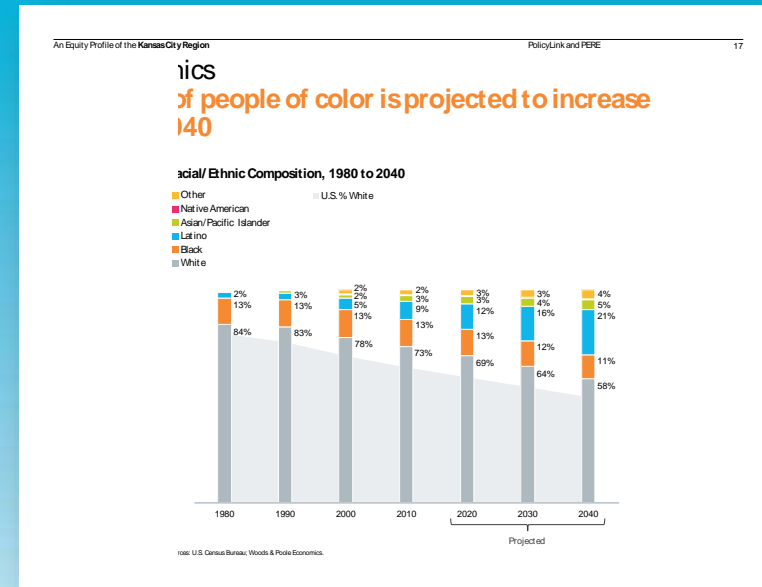




# Future Success – Support Social Equity Network

## Regional Equity Network

- Collaboration of organizations and institutions that are promoting social equity strategies
  - Education and Engagement
  - Environmental Justice
  - Jobs and Business Development
  - Housing Choice
  - Transportation Choice
  - Healthy Lifestyles
  - Reinvestment in Existing Communities
- Use Equity Profile to Create a Better Understanding of Social Equity Issues and Strategies



# Engagement

- Sustainable Places Policy Committee – Policy level committee advising board on land use and development issues
- Regional Equity Network – Continues to meet and work together; involved in advising MARC by connecting regional work to under represented populations





# QUESTIONS

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