

(L)OVE - LIVABILITY

Mapleton-Fall Creek Development Corporation

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Each Great Place will be healthy, beautiful, and safe, though concentrated improvements in waterways, trails, public art, park improvements, resident health, bike & pedestrian infrastructure, food access, and improved transit links. Below is a highlight of existing area plans that relate to this Great Place.

COMMERCIAL NODE STUDY

- 38th Street strengths: recent infrastructure improvements, Tarkington Park renovations, highly trafficked intersections bring thousands of people through the area. 38th Street has great potential for future development. (Pg18, 23)
- 38th Street weaknesses: very busy street, oriented towards cars, crime perception. (Pg 18, 23)

MIDTOWN FUTURE PLAN

- Mass Transit plans will further development in the 38th/Illinois area (Red Line and Purple Line) (Pg 12)
- Pedestrians and cyclists need better crosswalks and safer bike lanes (Pg14)
- Focus on tying local greenways and trails to 38th/Illinois (Canal Towpath & The Monon) (Pg14)

MID-NORTH QUALITY OF LIFE PLAN

- Infrastructure improvements and infrastructure analysis system (Pg 29)
- Complete street strategies to enhance safety, identity, & overall neighborhood experience (Pg 29)
- Incorporate sustainable design, including tree plantings and rain gardens (Pg 29, 30)
- Install trash (and recycling) receptacles at key locations (Pg 30)
- Centrally located community center (Pg 36)
- Encourage and support public art (Pg 30)
- Access to healthcare and wellness facilities (Pg 37)
- Prioritize youth engagement programs (Pg 45)

TARKINGTON PARK MASTER PLAN

- Tarkington Park improvements scheduled to begin Spring 2015
- Play space, Basketball Courts, Splash Plaza, and Café (Pg 30)
- Tarkington 'Arts Park'- potential to include sculptures and public art
- Pedestrian improvements surrounding park infrastructure (Ensure safety when travelling to and from the park) (Pg 55)

L(O)VE - OPPORTUNITY

Midtown Indianapolis, Inc.

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Each Great Place will be home to a growing number of entrepreneurs and job opportunities stimulated by commercial and industrial business attraction, micro and small business development, development of anchor institution supply chain opportunities, brownfield and real estate redevelopment, mixed-use commercial district development investments, and capacity building of targeted real estate developers. Below is a highlight of existing area plans that relate to this Great Place.

COMMERCIAL NODE STUDY

- 38th Street strengths: functioning commercial area to build upon, ability to serve Mid-North and attract spending potential from northern neighborhoods, consolidate parcels for new development. Market studies indicate that 38th/Illinois has the potential to be a neighborhood commercial center sized node. (Pg18, 23)
- 38th Street weaknesses: crime & perceived crime issues. 38th Street does not have the best reputation, therefore is not the first choice for businesses to relocate. (Pg 23)
- Potential projects: Revolving loan fund, retail incubator, commercial recruitment coordinator. (Pg 34)

MIDTOWN FUTURE PLAN

- Successfully created the Midtown TIF (Pg16)
- 38th/Illinois selected as a priority TIF node for development and investment (Pg19)
- Promotion of neighborhood centers (Pg 17)
- Collaborate on city-wide public policy discussions as they relate to Midtown (Pg18)

MID-NORTH QUALITY OF LIFE PLAN

- Establish an entrepreneur training program for the Mid-North area (Pg 31)
- Maintain & promote an online catalog of entrepreneur services, including training and technical services (Pg 31)
- Attract investment and microloans for startups in the Mid-North area (Pg 31)
- Identify and create incubation opportunities in Mid-North area (Pg 31)
- Identify target commercial centers and an inventory of all Mid-North businesses (Pg 32)
- Identify and prioritize commercial centers for focused development activities (Pg 32)
- Create economic development tools: loans, tax abatements, EIDs, grants (Pg 32)

TARKINGTON PARK MASTER PLAN

- Partnership with local institutions to include at the park (IMA- Art structures, etc.)
- Café expected to anchor the building at the park- supporting a local business and providing a breakfast/lunch place for surrounding offices and residents (Pg 43)

LO(U)E - VITALITY

Near North Development Corporation

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Each Great Place will become a growing and diverse community of residents living in a mixed-use and walkable environment. This will be stimulated by the renovation and construction of single-family homes, the renovation and construction of multi-family and mixed-use apartments, assisting current residents in accessing housing capital, attracting new residents, the preparation of real estate for redevelopment, the assembly of sufficient and appropriate capital for such development, the recruitment and capacity building of targeted residential real estate developers, and the development of workforce housing partnerships with anchor institutions. Below is a highlight of existing area plans that relate to this Great Place.

COMMERCIAL NODE STUDY

- Opportunity to consolidate parcels for new development (Pg 18)
- High density, therefore a demand for housing (Pg 18)

MIDTOWN FUTURE PLAN

- Encourage Businesses to relocate to Midtown (Pg 20)
- Encourage employees to walk or bike to work in Midtown (Pg 20)
- Midtown accommodates many options for those who work in the area (Pg 20)
- Potential for new employment centers (Pg 21)
- Midtown will be an identifiable place (Pg 22)
- Enhance the gateways into the district (Pg 23)

MID-NORTH QUALITY OF LIFE PLAN

- Repurpose vacant and abandoned properties (Pg 39)
- Promote pre-ownership training for individuals wishing to invest and live in the Mid-North area (Pg 39)
- Repair owner occupied homes (Pg 39)
- Establish an employer-assisted home ownership program (Pg 39)
- Create education programs to serve first time and current home-owners (Pg 39)
- Support foreclosure prevention services for current residents (Pg 39)
- Create a plan to support neighborhood-based workforce or workforce trainings (Pg 40)

TARKINGTON PARK MASTER PLAN

- Premier urban park supports and increases the value of surrounding land, including the homes and businesses in the area

LOU(E) - EDUCATION

The Children's Museum of Indianapolis

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Each Great Place will enable its residents to be served by accessible and high-quality educational opportunities. These will include early child development, K-12 schools, adult workforce development bridges to employment, and ready access to information and lifelong learning opportunities. Below is a highlight of existing area plans that relate to this Great Place.

MIDTOWN FUTURE PLAN

- Midtown Education Committee meets regularly
- Midtown Education Summit takes place annually since 2013
- Collaborate with city-wide education decisions and discussions (Pg 18)
- Attract and retain schools in Midtown- employment generators (Pg 20)

MID-NORTH QUALITY OF LIFE PLAN

- Cradle to Career program established for surrounding neighborhoods (Pg 35)
- Develop or support existing innovative and collaborative programming initiatives that help meet school based academic standards (Pg 35)
- Maintain an ongoing list of educational opportunities for parents & early education trainers (Pg 35)
- Distribute information about education and training options (Pg 35)
- Encourage mentoring resources (Pg 35)
- Expand educational offerings for home-based daycares (Pg 35)
- Promote Ivy Tech programs, Info Zone Library (Pg 36)
- Establish a Mid-North Center for Working Families location (Pg 36)

TARKINGTON PARK MASTER PLAN

- The park serves nearby schools in the area