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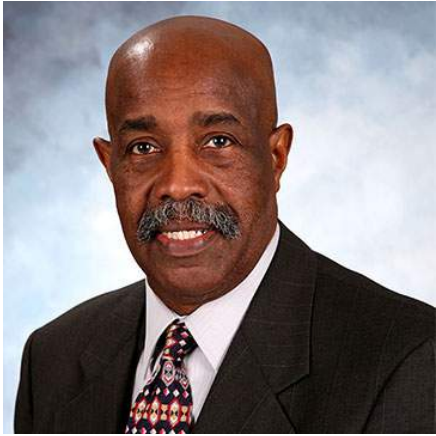


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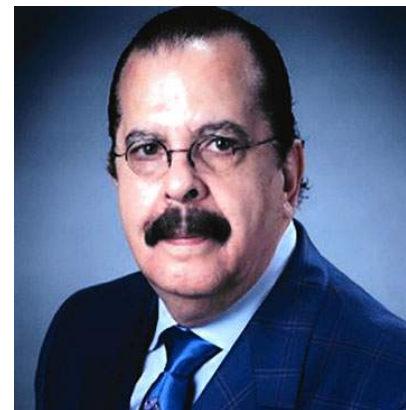
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CITY OF DETROIT SERVICES TO CONTINUE DURING DEEP-FREEZE, RESIDENTS SHOULD EXPECT FEW DELAYS

JAN 29 MAYOR'S OFFICE

The City of Detroit is announcing that most services will continue as planned on Wednesday and Thursday despite temperatures dropping to dangerous levels below zero. While residents are encouraged to take safety precautions and the City is prepared to provide emergency resources, the following services will remain available:

- City offices will maintain normal business hours
- Normal public safety services, including Police, Fire and EMS will be provided
- DDOT will continue operating on its regular weekday schedule
- Curbside trash container collection and recyclables will proceed on its normal schedule, as drivers service these routes with automated equipment from their heated trucks.
- Bulk waste collection is likely to be suspended on Wednesday & Thursday because of the cold, but crews will resume normal operations on Friday and continue through the weekend. Residents should place their bulk trash out on their normal day and will not be ticketed by the City if bulk collection is delayed.

In addition to providing normal services, the City is taking the following steps to prepare for the cold weather:

- The Detroit Water & Sewerage Department is re-assigning staff to address weather-related water main breaks.
- Homelessness outreach and assistance efforts will continue through Thursday night
- Warming centers and transportation for those experiencing homelessness will remain available.
- Rapid response resources for residents in a housing crisis, such as lack of heat, will remain available.

...And for the many successes of 2018

Detroit's Budget Was Balanced

Detroit has third year of balanced budgets; state oversight could end soon

[Bill Laitner](#), Detroit Free Press

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(Photo: Romain Blanquart, Detroit Free Press)



It's too late to impress Amazon — but here's good news for Detroit's image.

And city residents can't hate it.

Detroit's latest financial report shows the city finished its third consecutive year with a balanced budget.

Topping that, Detroit ended with a surplus in the general fund budget of \$53.8 million, according to a summary released Thursday.

That means that the city is poised to have its last layer of state oversight lifted, perhaps as soon as March.

"The law says if we have three years of consecutive balanced budgets, the state oversight ends," said John Hill, the city's chief financial officer.

More: [Duggan, Weaver, Fouts among Michigan mayors going to White House](#)

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The City's credit rating was upgraded



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Moody's upgrades City Of Detroit credit rating citing improved financial position

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TheHUB's exclusive look at what and where investments are happening in Detroit

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Michigan Central Station is being redeveloped

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Once An Icon Of Detroit Decay, Historic Train Station Has New Owner: Ford

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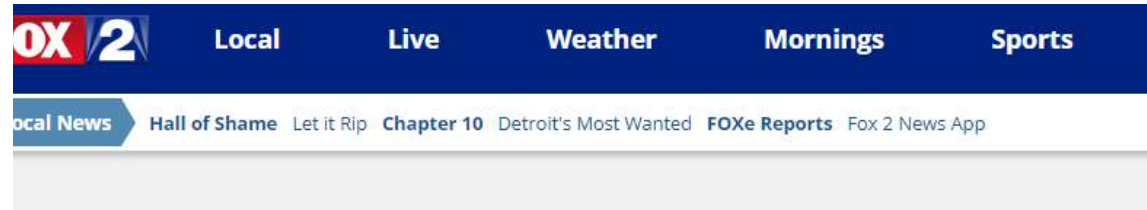
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Matthew Moroun announces the sale of Michigan Central Station to the Ford Motor Company on Monday in Detroit.

Carlos Osorio/AP

Home Mortgages Doubled



Approved mortgages double in Detroit in 2018



Employment was up

Most Detroiters in a decade worked in September

Ian Thibodeau and Breana Noble, Associated Press Published 2:44 p.m. ET Nov. 8, 2018 | Updated 11:17 p.m. ET Nov. 8, 2018



(Photo11: Robin Buckson, The Detroit News)



Detroit – More Detroit residents went to work in September than any point this decade, according to data from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. And nearly 2,500 more Detroiters were employed in September than in August.

The statistics are the latest in a string of economic improvements for the city, though unemployment in Detroit still hadn't recovered from pre-Great Recession numbers. The lower unemployment rate is due largely to a strong U.S. economy, according to Gus Faucher, chief economist at PNC Financial Services.

Preliminary figures from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics showed unemployment in Detroit at 7.9 percent and that more than 228,700 people were working. That's an increase of nearly 2,457 over August when the jobless rate was 9.2 percent. Detroit's unemployment rate was 28.9 percent in June 2009.

Michigan's unemployment rate was 4 percent in September. The U.S. unemployment rate is about 3.7 percent.



Property values were up

Detroit's residential property values rise for first time in 17 years

[Kat Stafford](#), Detroit Free Press

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Detroit's residential property values have risen for the first time in at least 17 years, city officials announced Monday, with nearly 60% of residents seeing their 2018 assessments increase.

"This is another sign of progress," Mayor Mike Duggan said in a statement. "We still have a long way to go to in rebuilding our property values, but the

fact that we have halted such a long, steep decline is a significant milestone. This also corresponds with the significant increase in home sale prices we have seen in neighborhoods across the city."

The median sale price for Detroit homes in December 2017 was \$30,000, according to data from the Farmington Hills-based Realcomp Ltd. II.

Officials noted in a release that, for years, the Office of the Assessor had reduced assessments to account for the loss in value of properties in Detroit.

And Detroit got out from under state oversight

Detroit released from state financial oversight 3 years after exiting bankruptcy

Corey Williams, Associated Press

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Detroit reached a key step in fiscal redemption on Monday by reclaiming control of its own finances roughly three years after exiting the largest municipal bankruptcy in U.S. history.

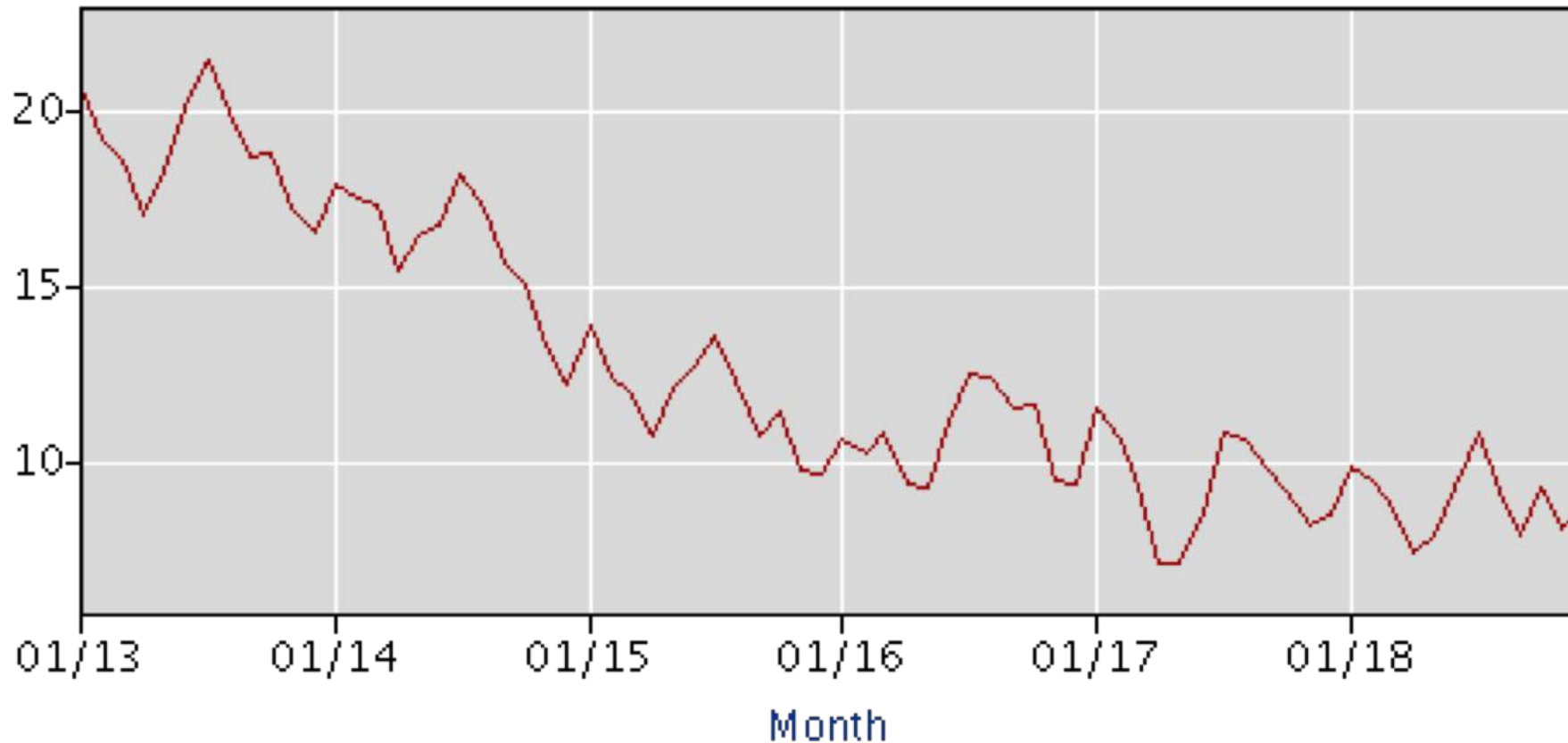
A state review commission unanimously agreed to release the city from state financial oversight after Detroit delivered three consecutive years of audited balanced budgets. The city was about \$12 billion in debt and unable to deliver basic services like prompt responses to 911 calls and park maintenance when the state took financial management.

"Detroit is once again finally a city of full self-governance," Mayor Mike Duggan said following the commission's vote.

The change means that when contracts are approved by the City Council, Detroit won't have to wait for the commission to approve them. But the city must still submit monthly financial reports to the commission, which will continue to monitor Detroit's fiscal health for the next 10 years and could resume oversight if a budget deficit occurs.

**In many ways we've had 5 years of progress
Unemployment cut in half from 20% to 8.6%**

unemployment rate



We still have the highest unemployment rate in U.S.

- 1) **Detroit**
- 2) **Cleveland**
- 3) **Fresno**
- 4) **Philadelphia**
- 5) **Washington D.C.**
- 6) **Baltimore**
- 7) **Chicago**
- 8) **Albuquerque**
- 9) **Las Vegas**
- 10) **Atlanta**

35,000 Detroiters moved out of poverty in last 5 years

Year	Population at Poverty Level
2013	40.7%
2014	39.3%
2015	39.8%
2016	35.7%
2017	34.5%

We still have the highest poverty rate in the country

Cities with highest poverty rates 2018

- 1) **Detroit**
- 2) Cleveland
- 3) Dayton
- 4) Hartford
- 5) Rochester
- 6) Newark
- 7) Jackson
- 8) Syracuse
- 9) Birmingham
- 10) Springfield

Tonight will focus on a central goal for a vision of Detroit's future:

**Detroit will be a city committed to creating
job opportunities for everyone.**

To do that we have to re-think everything about city government.

And we will have to reverse 70 years of city history.

In the first half of the 20th century, the auto industry brought people from across America to Detroit



To handle the migration, houses were built right up to edge of factories, leaving no room to expand



**Then Detroit built another 200,000 houses from 1925-1945 –
covering nearly every acre from border to border**



**Post-war plants began to be designed on one level.
Detroit had no tracts of land left large enough.**



From 1945-1957, 25 auto plants built in Southeast Michigan



Wixom



Wayne



Warren

**Every single one of those 25 plants
was built outside of Detroit**

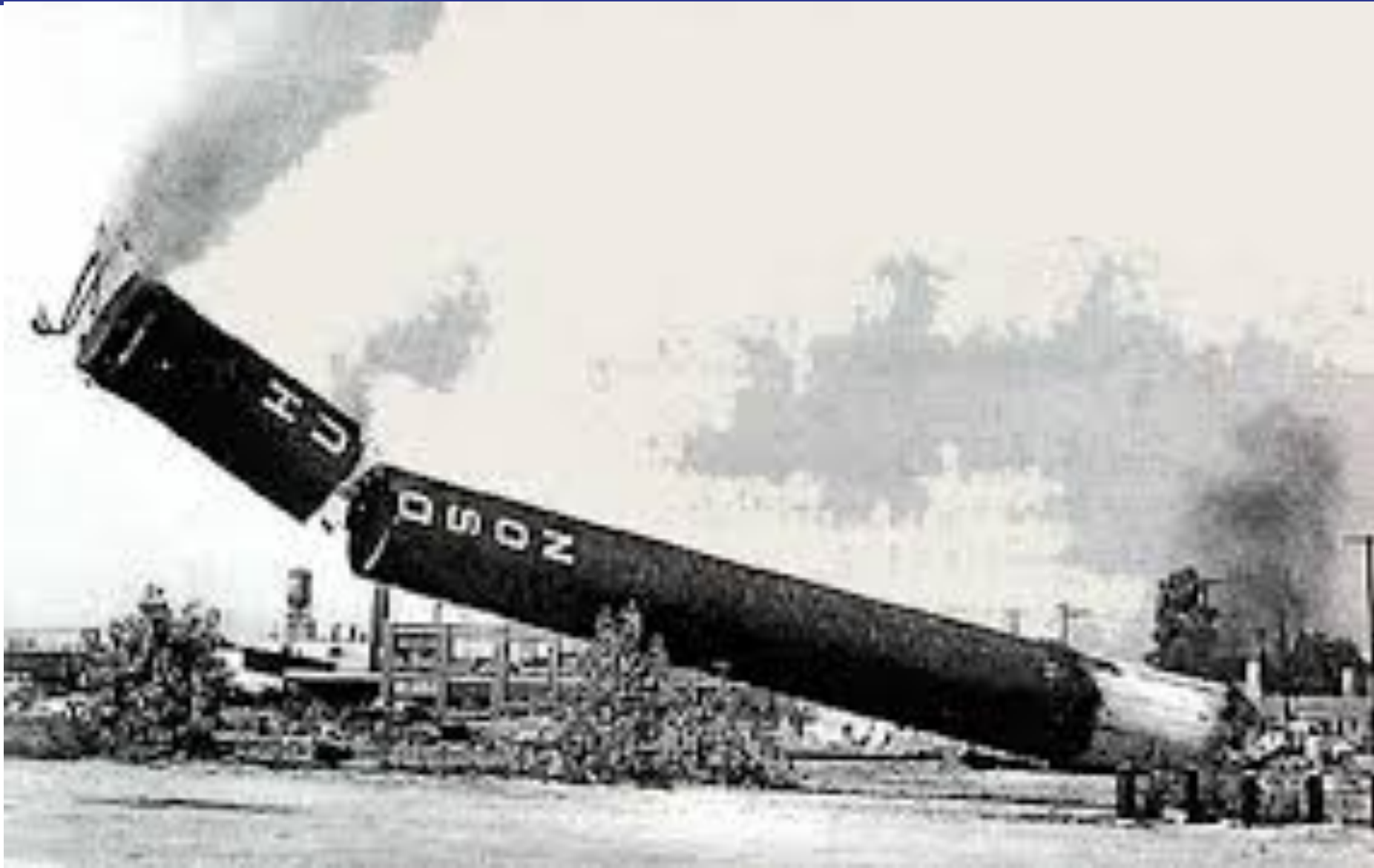
**Lincolns were built in this plant at Warren and Livernois –
Until the plant moved to Wayne in 1952**



The Packard Plant closed in 1958



The Hudson Motors Plant in 1961



Report: The Population Revolution in Detroit

“If current trends continue, Detroit will lose 25% of its population by the end of the decade.”

Wayne State University Institute for Regional and Urban Studies

March, 1963

AMC moved its corporate headquarters from Plymouth Road In 1975 went to Southfield



Dodge Main Closed in 1980



Hudson's Closed in 1983



The Cadillac Fleetwood Plant closed in 1987

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FLEETWOOD



Fleetwood's
main six-
story building
was erected
in 1922
according to
a design by
architect
Albert Kahn.

The END of the LINE

The Michigan Central Station closed for good in 1988



**Detroit unemployment topped 20% in the 1980's -
And its old multi-story plants were obsolete**



Detroit couldn't compete for new employers who needed 400-500 acre sprawling sites



**In the 1980's, a Mayor was willing to go to extremes for jobs -
But Detroit had no land to work with**

**So Mayor Coleman Young and the City cleared
nearly 400 acres on the Detroit/Hamtramck Border**



And another 400 acres on East Jefferson

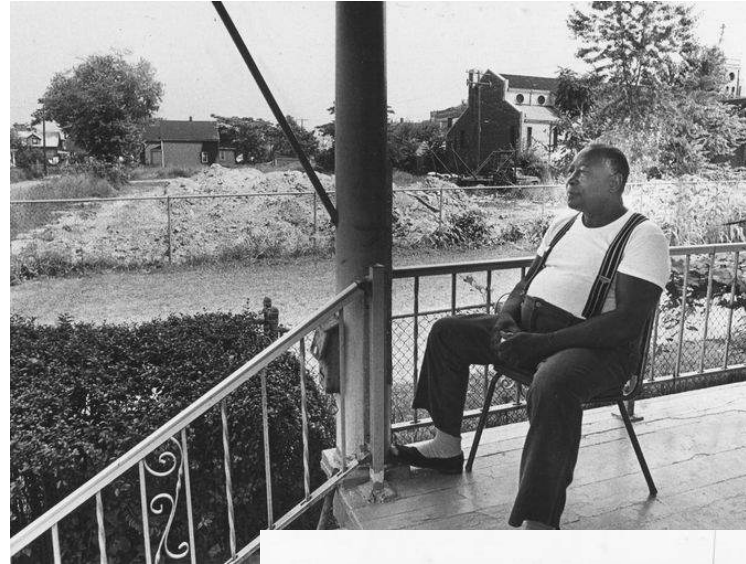


To build two assembly plants that have employed 6,000 workers for nearly 30 years



It was an extraordinary measure with huge costs

- **7,000 Residents Moved Out**
- **270 Businesses Displaced**
- **6 Churches Demolished**
- **1 Hospital Levelled**



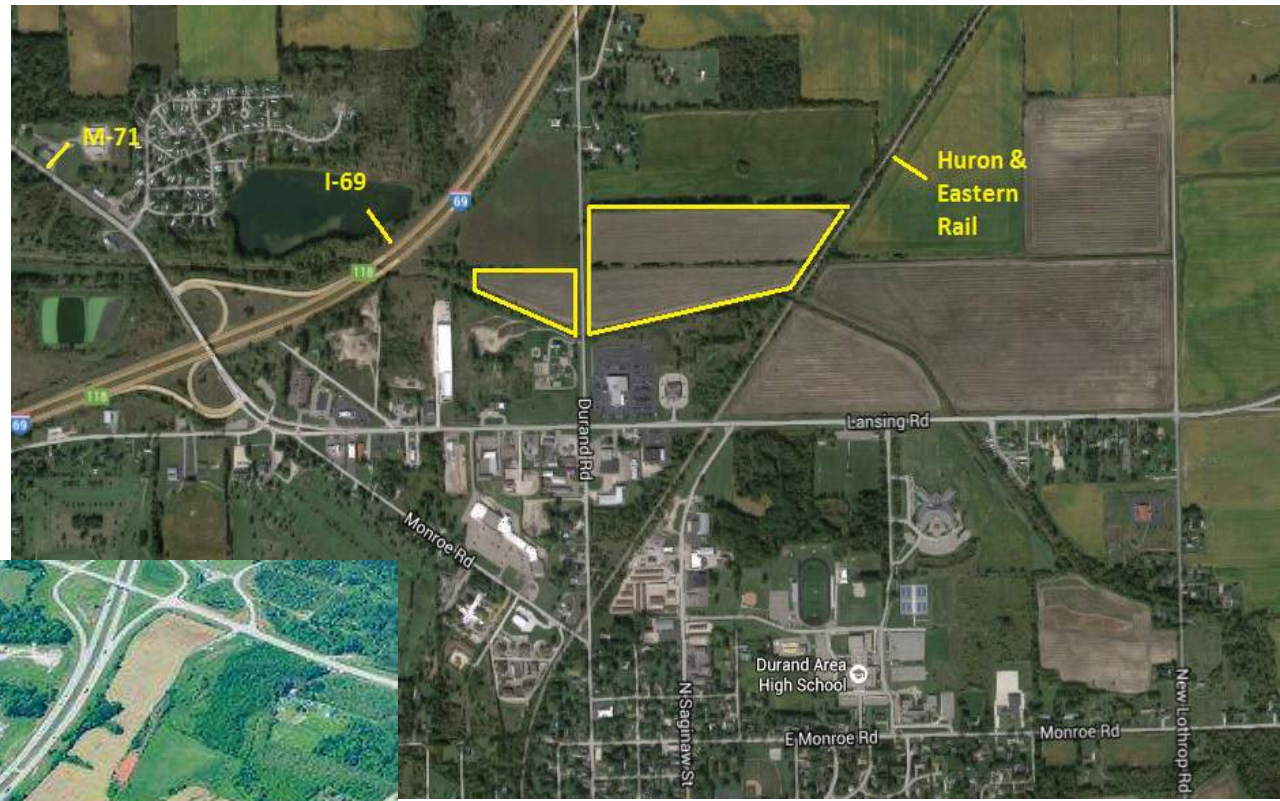
**20 years later, we don't need land assembly measures so extreme
But we do need the same extreme commitment to creating jobs**

From 2000-2010 Detroit lost 150,000 workers

employment



Every single company we recruit has choices to build immediately on green fields in Michigan and in other states



In 2017, Flex-n-Gate was locating a parts plant for the new Ford Rangers and Bronco's – one of largest new plants in years

Flex-N-Gate had located 5 other area plants outside Detroit

**But they were having trouble filling jobs –
So we pitched CEO Shahid Khan on the city.**

Allen Park

Royal Oak

Shelby Township

Warren

Ontario



The site we had was on old industrial land off I-94 in the area of highest unemployment in Detroit



The neighbors themselves met with Flex-n-Gate and urged them to come



The Community Partnership

- Neighbors included homeowners, Scott Benson, Alkebulan Village
- Offered Flex-n-Gate property tax abatement
- Flex-n-Gate committed to plan to recruit Detroiters for the jobs
- Truck traffic was diverted away from residences

When Flex-n-Gate began their hiring the first 500 last year, 16,000 people applied

April 29, 2018 12:20 a.m. UPDATED 2 DAYS AGO

Focus: Hope operating city-funded training for Flex-N-Gate jobs

New Detroit auto parts plant got 16,000 applications for 500 positions

By CHAD LIVENGOOD



Automotive Focus: HOPE Jobs/Career More +

- Flex-N-Gate has received 16,370 applications to date for 496 jobs at new Detroit plant
- Auto supplier to stamp and mold parts for new Ford Ranger
- Focus: Hope operating city-funded training for Flex-N-Gate production workers



They opened a 500,000 square foot factory



And hired 700 employees – 65% Detroiters Plant is doing so well in Detroit, expanding again in 2019



The auto industry's future is electric and autonomous vehicles We're determined to capture that future here

Silicon Valley vs. Detroit: The Future of Car Ownership

By [Joel Williams](#) | March 13, 2017 | 5:00pm

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Detroit 'cannot coexist with Silicon Valley'

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A year ago Ford was deciding where to locate its 5,000 member team developing autonomous and electric cars

Ready or not, Ford has a plan for turning self-driving cars into a real business

By [Mike Murphy](#) in Miami • November 15, 2018



Ford Is Making Its Move In All-Electric Vehicles

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Summary

- Ford has plans to spend \$11 billion on all electric vehicles between now and 2022.
- Ford is hoping to launch its first all electric vehicle in the Spring of 2020. It will be a performance mid-sized all electric SUV.
- Currently, the market for all electric vehicles is relatively small. Ford is betting demand will expand as multiple product options become available to consumers.

Ford Motor Company (F) has plans to become a major competitor in the all electric vehicle market. Right now the company is behind other competitors like Tesla (TSLA) in the all electric vehicle market. But Ford plans to catch up to its competitors. The company plans to spend \$11 billion on electric vehicles by 2022.

So far Ford has been able to fund its research into all electric vehicles out of

**They could have gone to Silicon Valley
...or Washtenaw County as Toyota did here**



We proposed an alternative: Come to Detroit to build the auto industry's future

There's a 15 story building closed for 30 years

And the potential to build an urban campus



Ford's choices for its new innovation campus



For the last 30 years, the empty train station has contributed almost nothing in city taxes or jobs.

How do we lower our costs to compete with an inexpensive green field site?

Looked at possible tax abatement

If Ford's development paid full city taxes over 35 years: \$400 million

City offered 25% discount - Ford will pay over 35 years: \$300 million

And will bring Detroit 5,000 new jobs.



But first, we required Ford to go through Detroit's community benefits process.

Under Detroit's Community Benefits Ordinance the proposal went to a committee of neighborhood representatives



Aliyah Sabree



Mike Ransom



Nicole Rittenouer



David Esparza



Shelia Cockrel



Robyn Ussery



Heather McKeon



Ken Jameson



Jerry Paffendorf



They held 8 meetings with Ford with 545 attendees



Ford and the Neighborhood Committee agreed to an additional package of community benefits:

Career Training for students/workforce	\$10.0 million
Affordable housing preservation in Corktown	\$ 7.5 million
Neighborhood improvements and local grants	<u>\$11.0 million</u>
Total dollar investment	\$22.5 million

The final package was approved by Neighborhood Advisory Committee and Detroit City Council.



Golightly CTE



Victor Attar Apartments

**Could Detroit land a new auto assembly plant?
Only 4 auto assembly plants built in U.S. in last 10 years.**

2011 Toyota: Blue Springs, Mississippi



2011 Volkswagen: Chattanooga, Tennessee



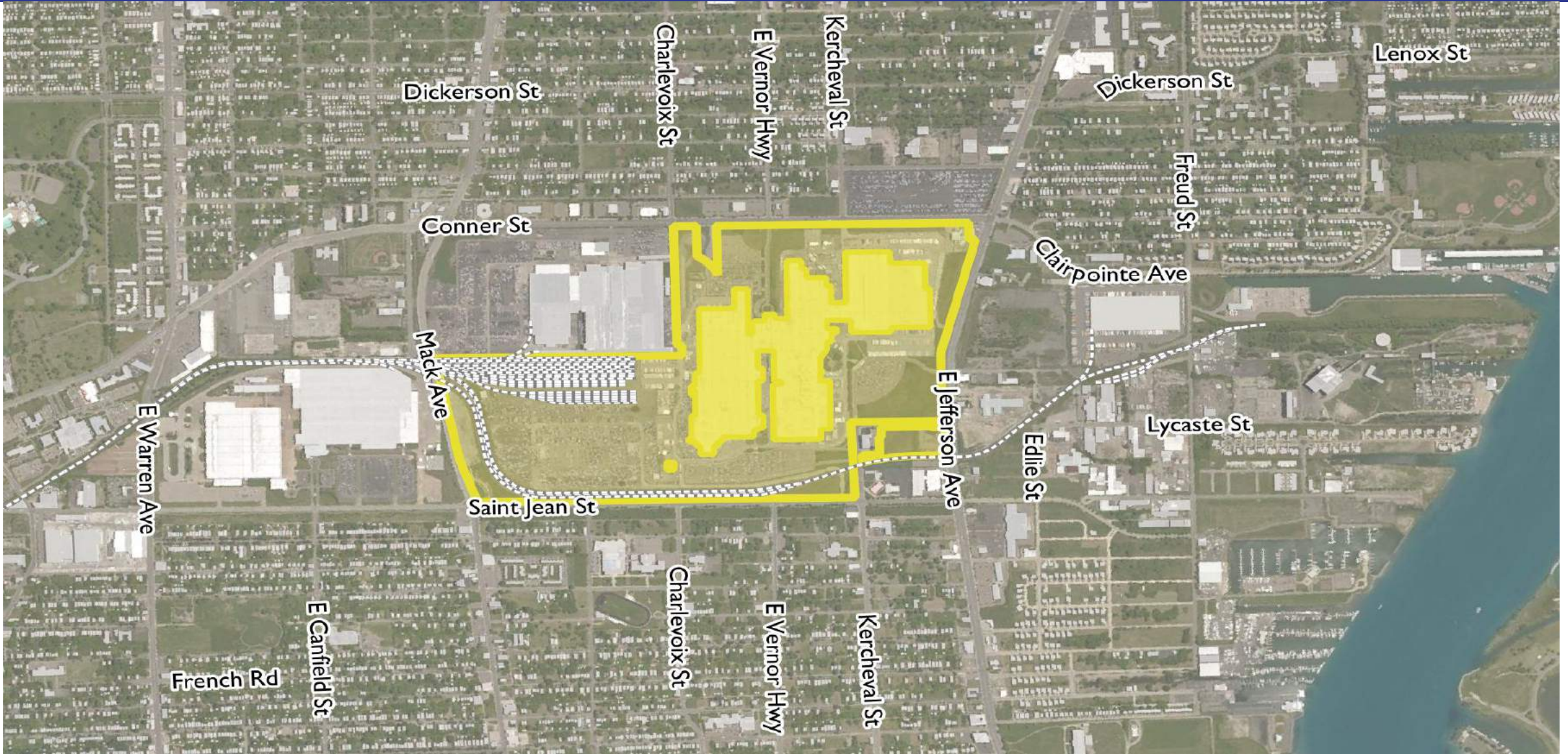
2018 Volvo opened in Ridgeville, South Carolina



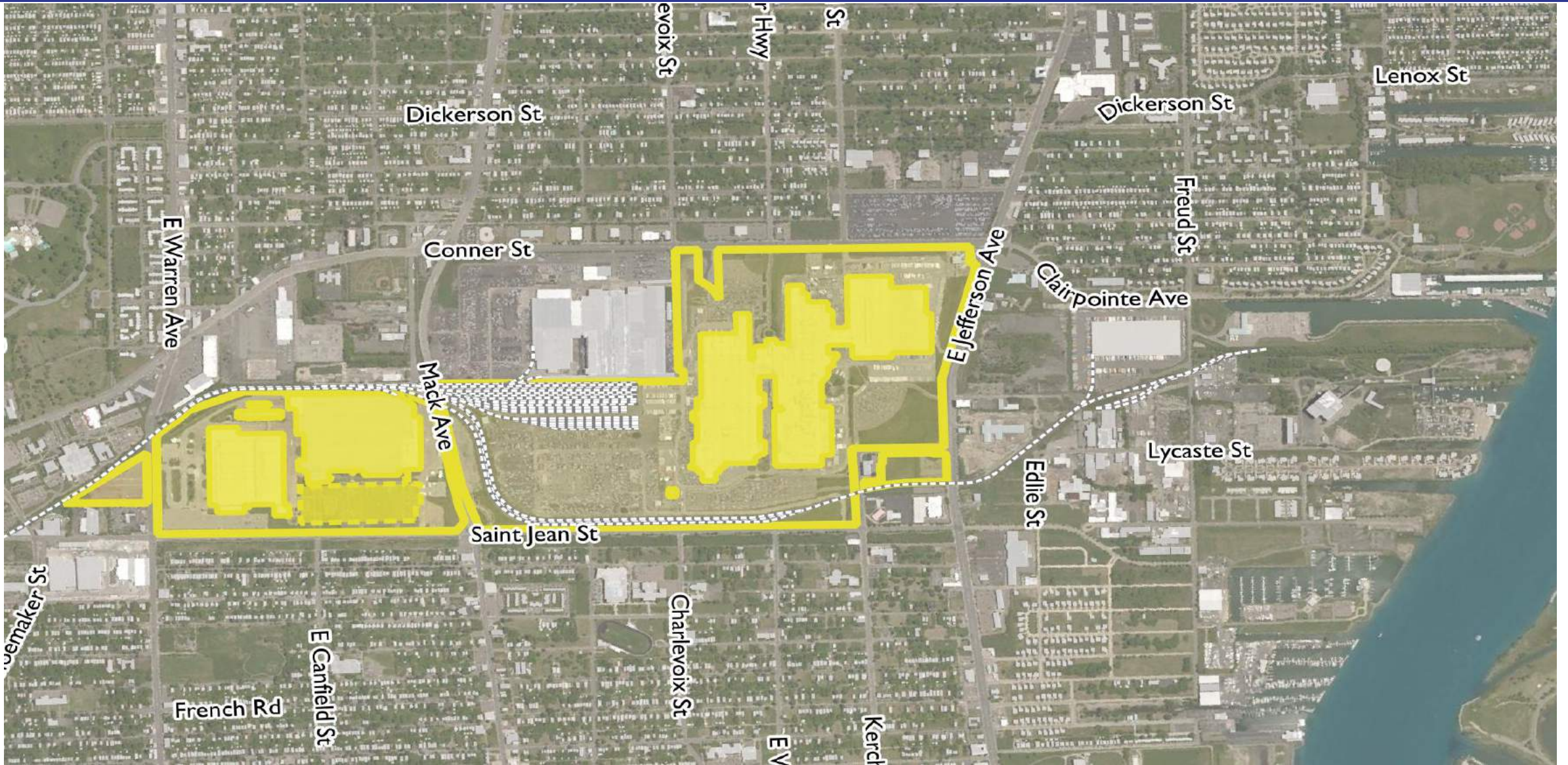
In November, Toyota/Mazda broke ground in Huntsville, Ala.



4,500 UAW Detroit auto workers were making one of the finest vehicles in the world – the Jeep Grand Cherokee



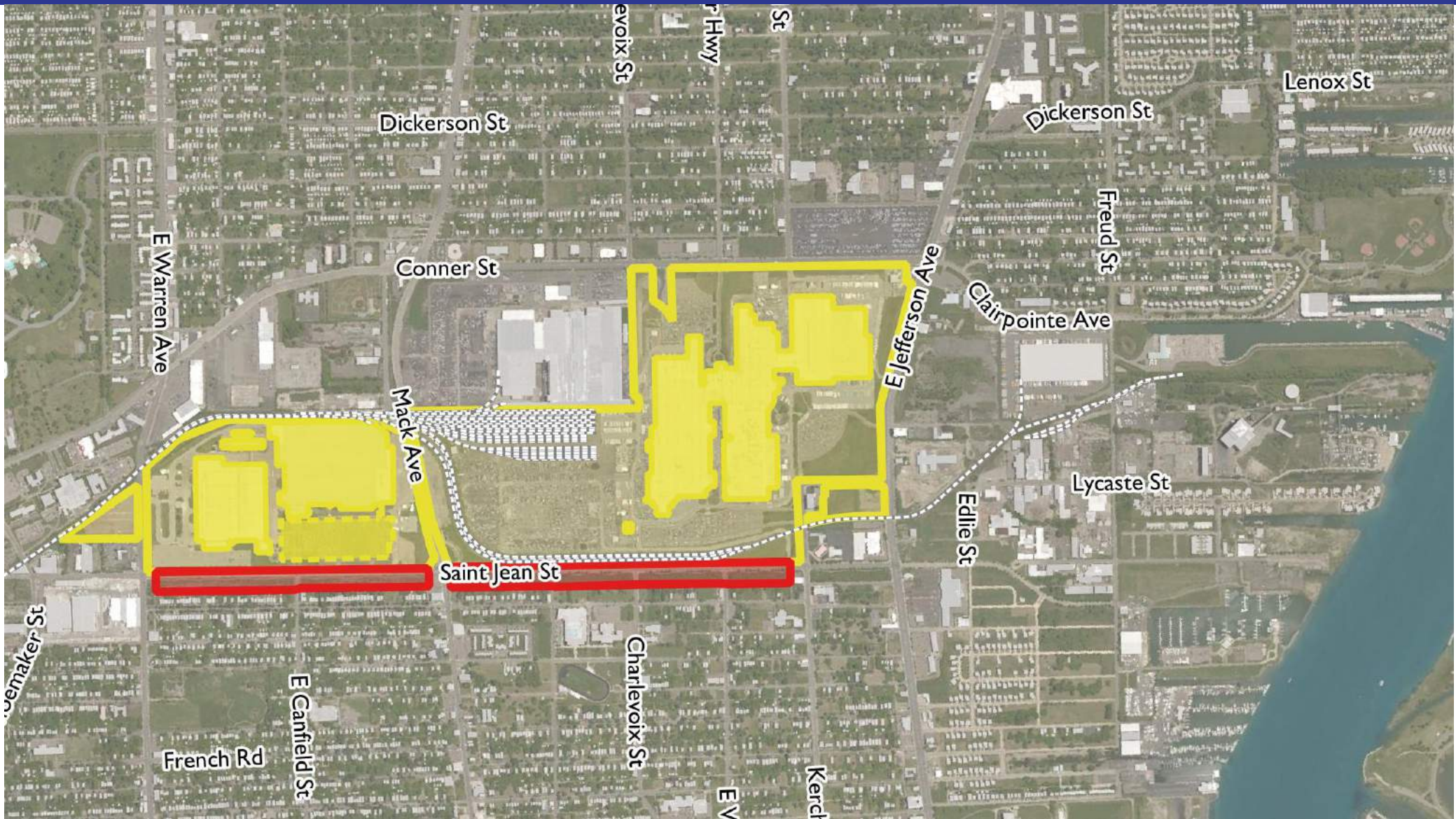
FCA had some adjacent land to build a second plant – but needed another 200 acres for parking, trailers, storage.



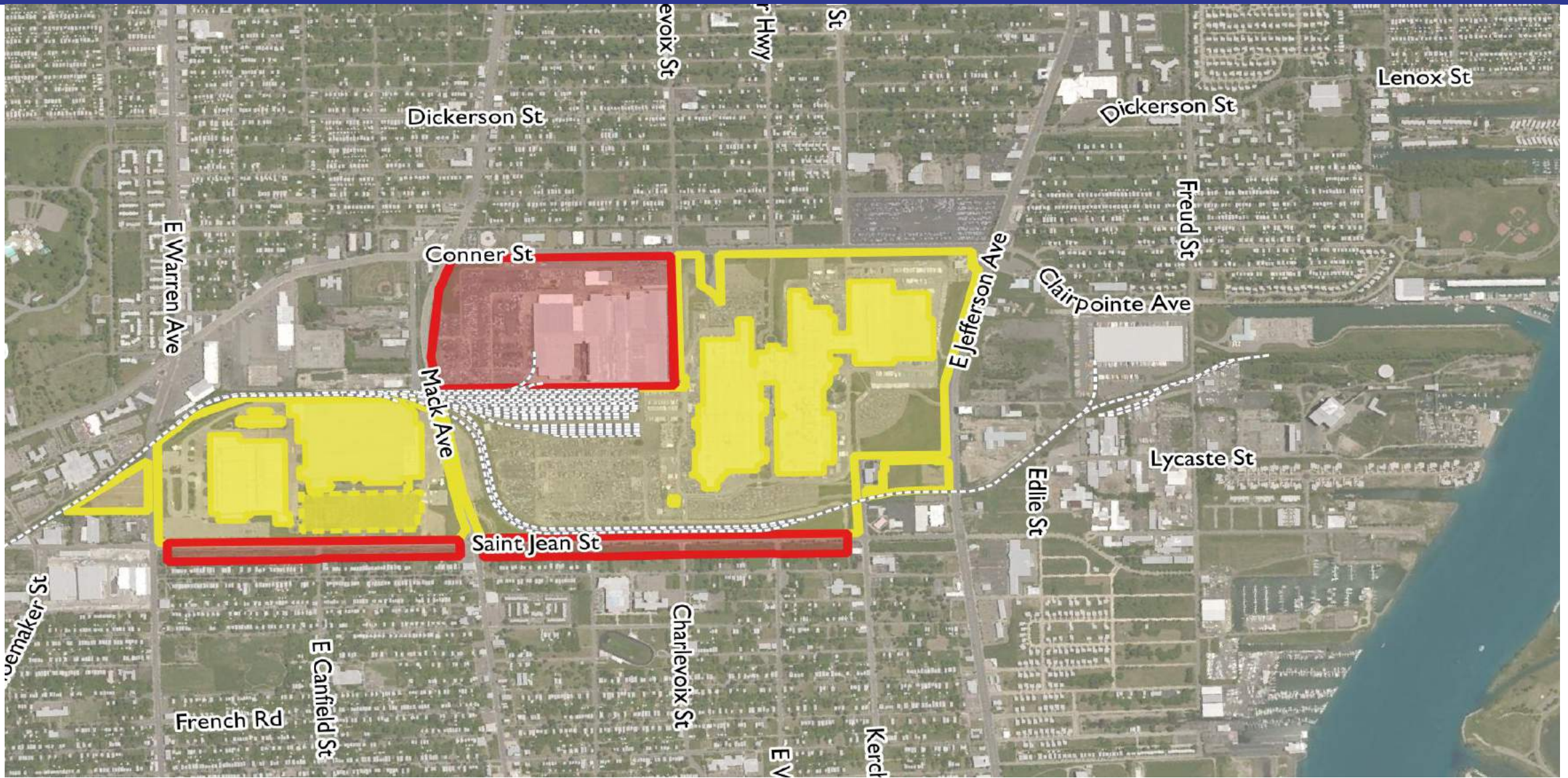
**To change our history, we had to look at property differently -
St. Jean had the potential to add 50 acres of land.**



So we proposed closing St. Jean from Kercheval to Warren



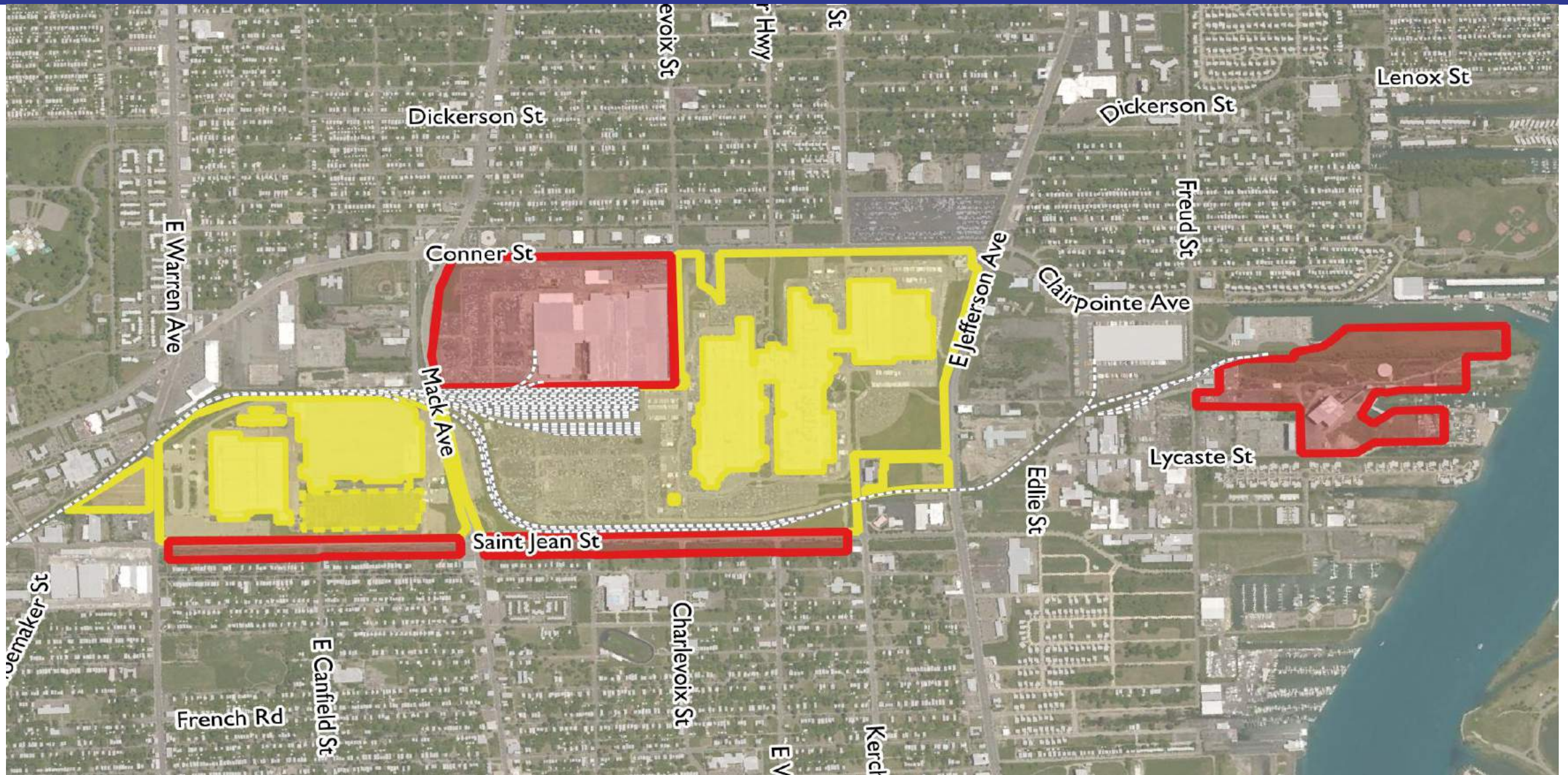
And acquiring 80 acres of former industrial on the other side



And DTE's closed Conner Creek coal plant across Jefferson



170 acres in just a few transactions, no residents displaced



We now have until April 27th to complete all obligations

City Agrees:

Acquire 200 acres of land

Deliver clear title

Solve environmental issues

FCA Will:

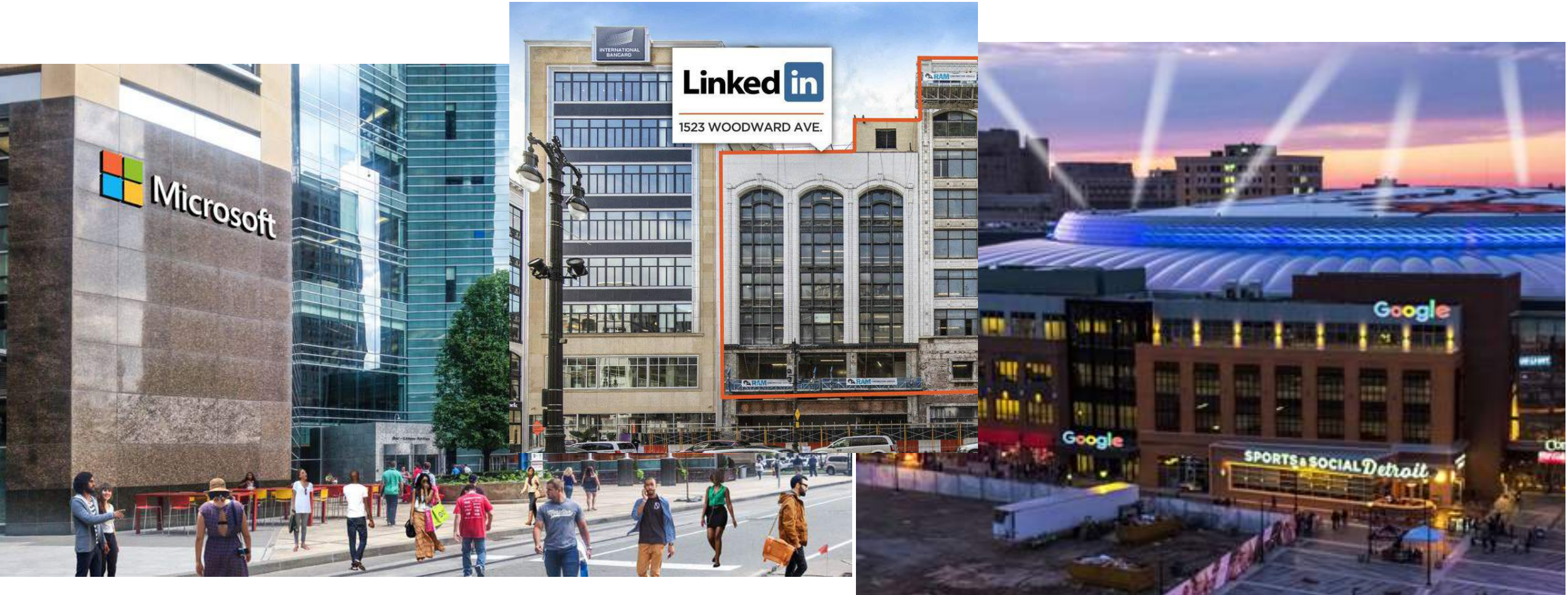
Add approximately 5,000 new jobs

Average pay of \$58,000 per year

Spend \$2.5 billion on new plant and renovations at old plant

But first, we require FCA to go through Detroit's community benefits process.

To be the City that creates opportunities for everyone,
we'll need to bring America's top tech firms to Detroit



We needed to bring banks back to the city



Fifth Third Bank at One Woodward



To join the great financial company anchoring the city



We will fight tenaciously not to lose what we have



We will celebrate those who share the commitment to putting Detroiters to work – like Rob Hake and Patricia Sahagun of MyLocker



MyLocker is a national leader in custom apparel/products – and one of the fastest growing companies in Michigan



**Now employing 300 people – 90% are City of Detroit residents
– through the efforts of HR Director Patricia Sahagun**



MyLocker expanding plant to 800 employees With Patricia Sahagun doing hiring – those will be Detroiters



Creating opportunities for Detroiters also means help starting your own company – Motor City Match

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Motor City Match connects new and expanding businesses with Detroit's quality real estate opportunities, providing them with funding and tools to fuel the city's entrepreneurial revolution.

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Building Owner applications open April 1 and close May 1.
Business Owner applications open June 1 and close July 1.

Daycare Centers



Tot Town Daycare Center

Angela Jackson

8932 Greenfield

Opening Spring 2019

Restaurants



Alma Kitchen

Gary Mui

14300 E. Jefferson

Opening Spring 2019

Art galleries



Mac Galleries

James E. McKissic

18943 Livernois

Opening Summer 2019

Boutiques



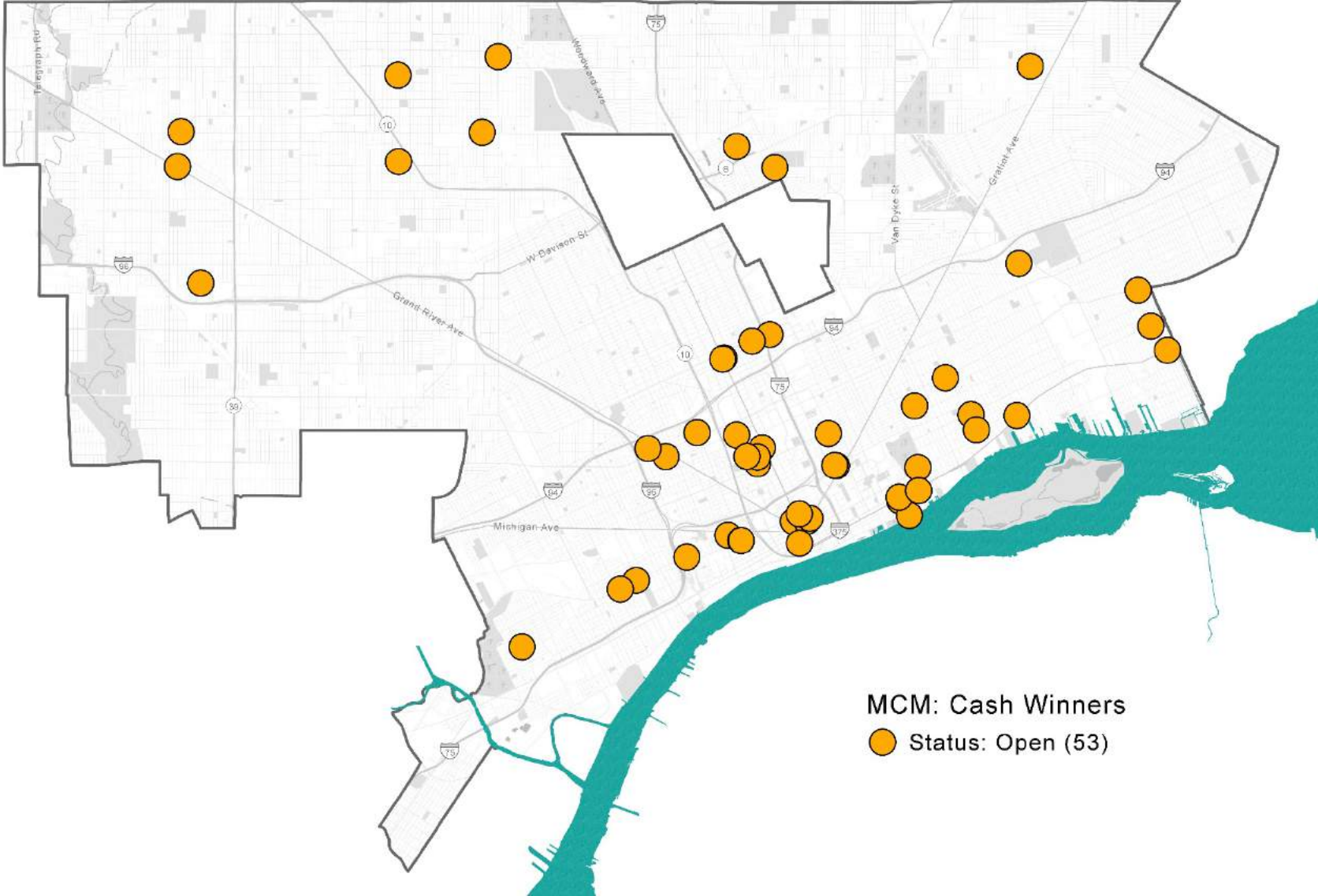
Flamingo Vintage

Nikki Neuzil

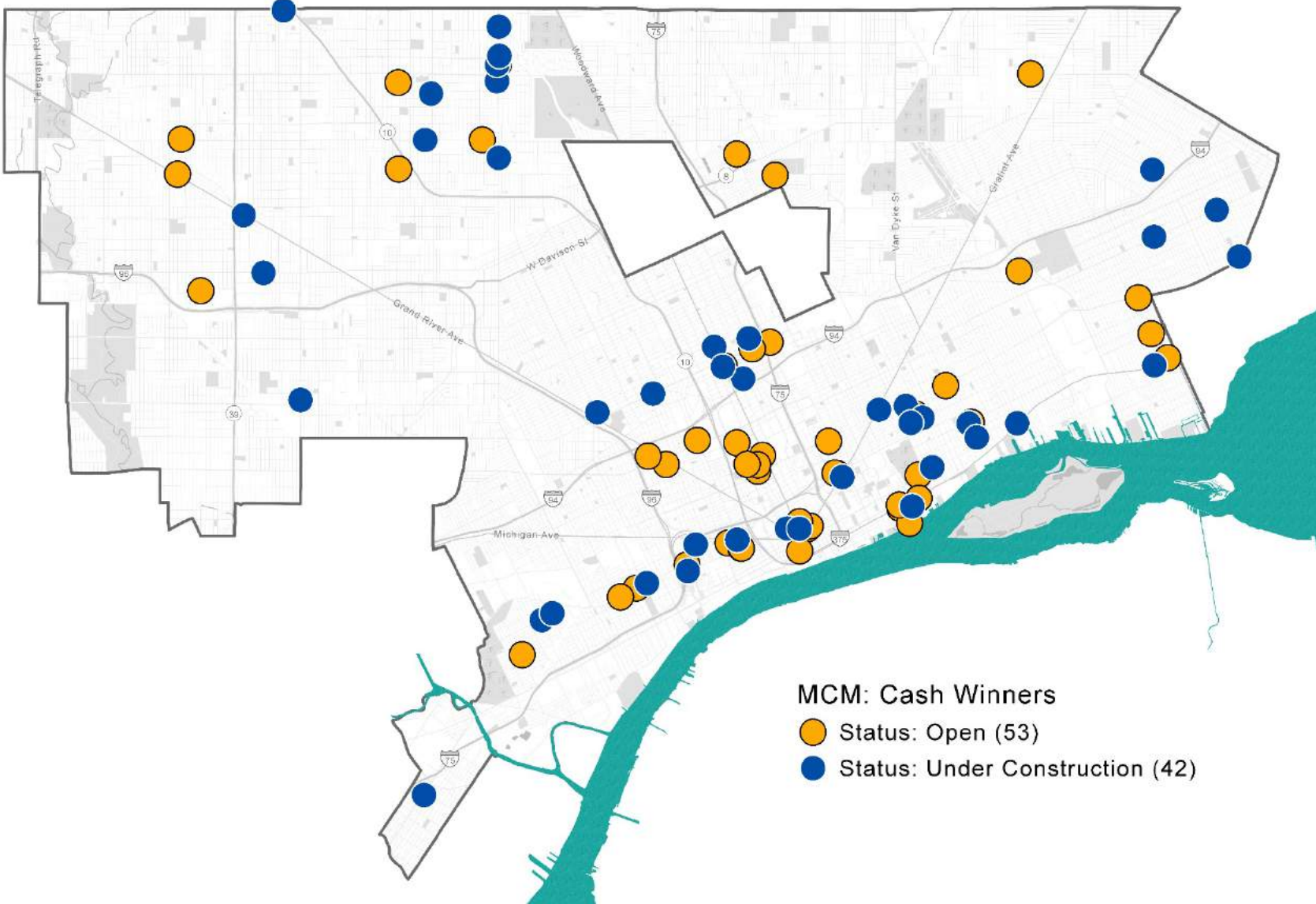
5449 Vernor Hwy

Opening March 2019

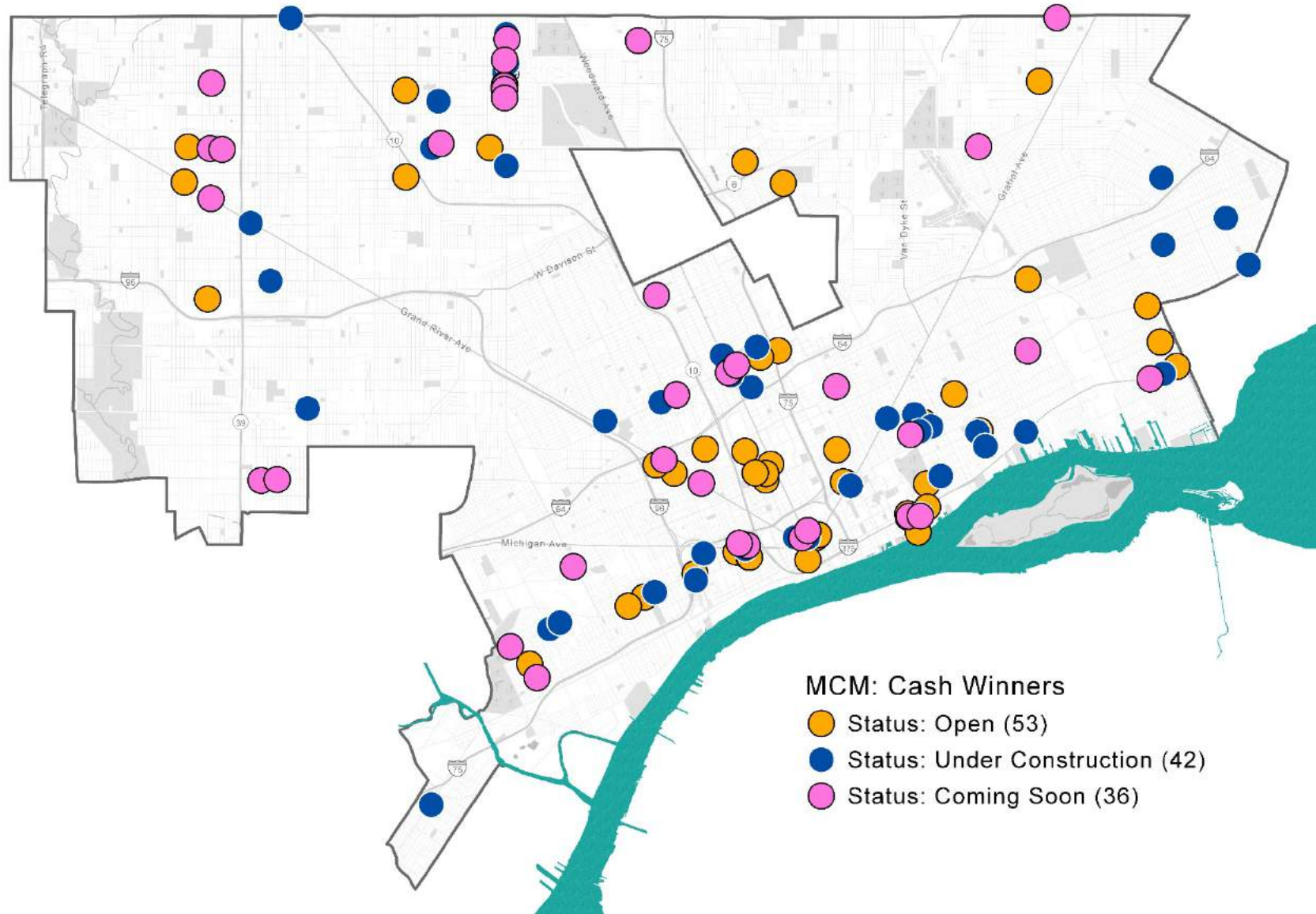
53 Motor City Match Businesses Already Open



42 More Are Under Construction



And Another 46 Will Be Coming Soon



80% of Motor City Match winners are minority-owned businesses



In Detroit's growing real estate development – it is Detroiters building and owning many new projects



Native Detroitier John Rhea is building 149 new homes in Brush Park



DEVELOPER

John Rhea

Project Leader

RHEAL/SCHOSTAK

Native Detroitier Richard Hosey returned home in 2008. 655 West Willis in Midtown is his 5th housing development.



Richard Hosey
Hosey Development



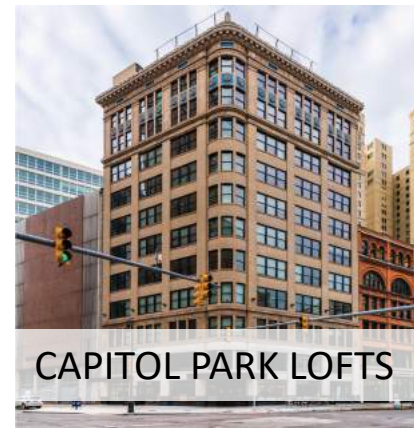
655 WEST WILLIS



THE FARWELL LOFTS



DETROIT SAVINGS BANK LOFTS



CAPITOL PARK LOFTS



THE KIRBY CENTER LOFTS

Aamir Farooqi moved to Detroit to be a part of the rebirth. He is now developing his 5th Islandview/Riverfront project.



Aamir Farooqi
Banyan Investments



STONE SOAP



SAINT CHARLES RESIDENCES



HISTORIC HOMES



1400 VAN DYKE



THE BANK BUILDING

Sonya Mays grew up in Detroit but left for Wall Street. Now, she's back and developing four projects across the city



Sonya Mays
CEO, Develop Detroit



Sherwood Forest resident Matt Hessler fed up with B. Siegel He's redeveloping it for housing and shopping



Matt Hessler



**Amin Irving married into Detroit - his wife brought him here
He's replacing abandoned Shapero Hall with beautiful apartments.**



Amin Irving
CEO, Ginosko, LLC



Ginosko Development Company

New Lafayette West Apartments

Grandmont Rosedale Development Corporation and resident Sherita Smith are getting ready to develop the site of a former IHOP



Sherita Smith

Executive Director, GRCD



Cliff Brown moved his business to Detroit and is developing site at Bagley and 16th in Southwest Detroit



Cliff Brown

Woodborn Partners



Detroit Moddie Turay is developing two beautiful Brush Park housing projects.

Moddie Turay



Development by these Detroiters:

25 Projects

1700 Housing Units

20% Affordable Housing



**We're not just building new affordable housing –
We protected more than 500 residents in their existing homes**



CENTRAL TOWERS – SW DETROIT

232 UNITS PRESERVED AT 80% AMI THROUGH 2031



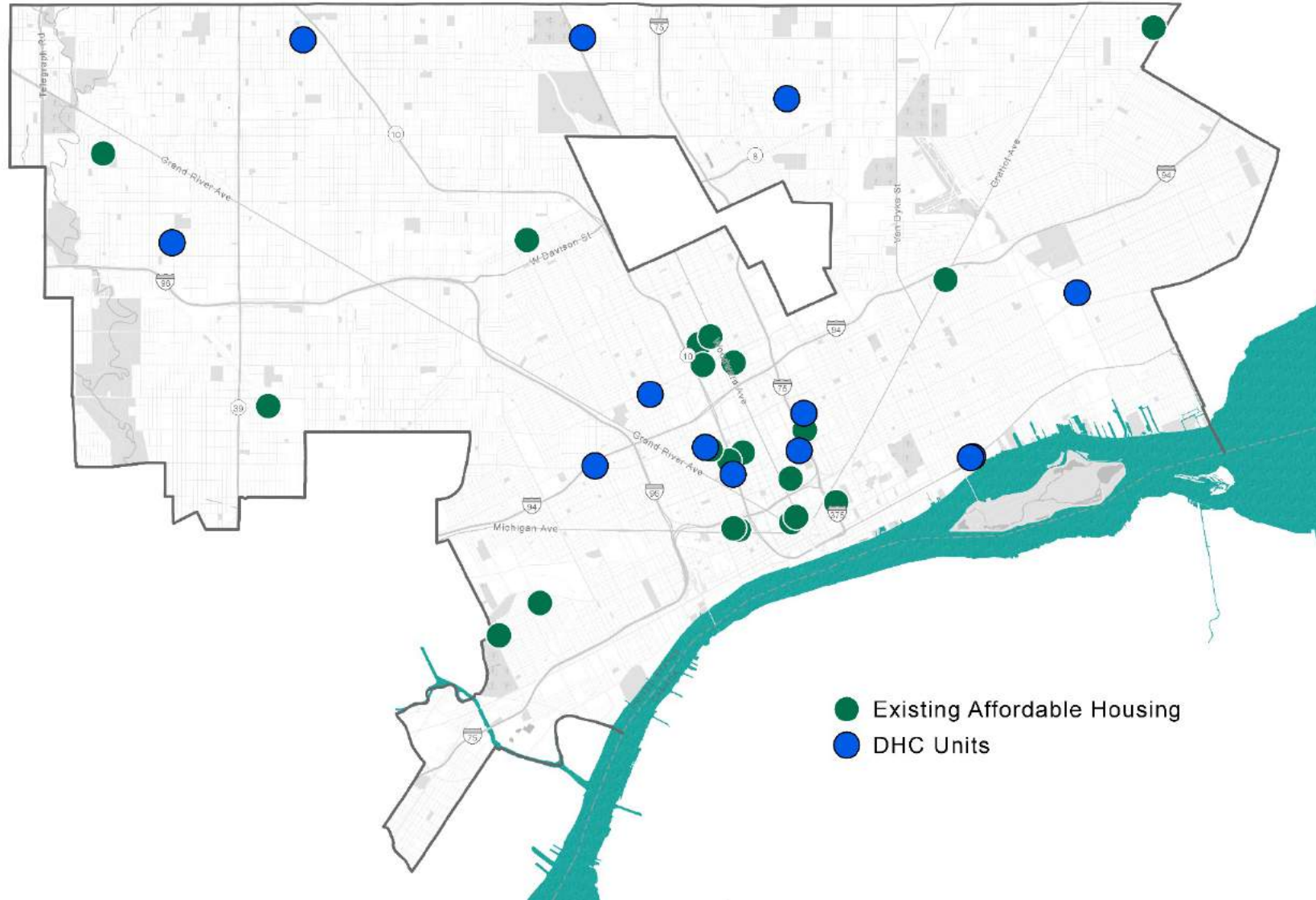
RESTORATION TOWER – NW DETROIT – 147 UNITS PRESERVED AT 80% AMI THROUGH 2031



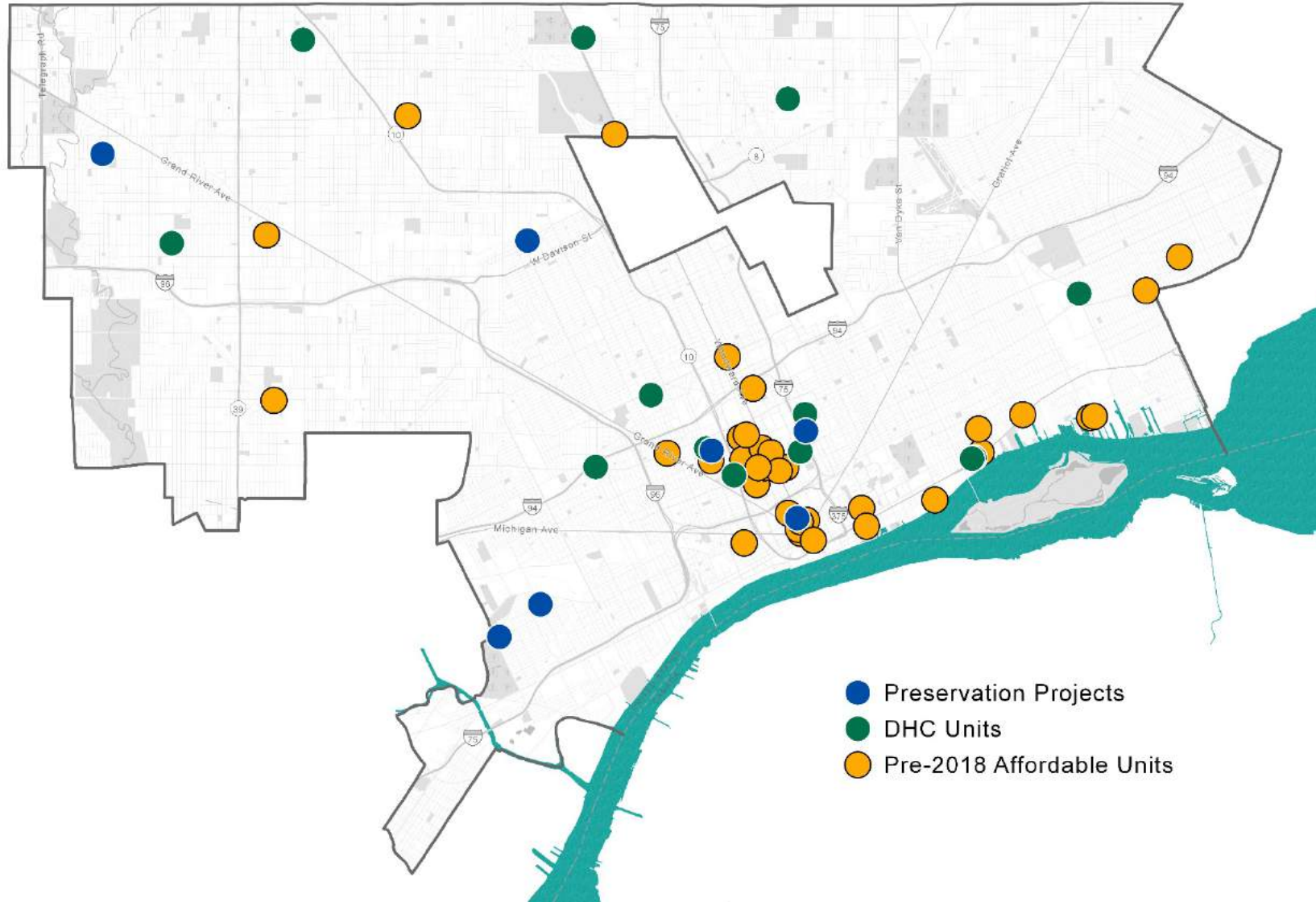
RYAN COURT/OAKMAN TOWNHOMES – 146 UNITS PRESERVED AT 60% AMI THROUGH 2048



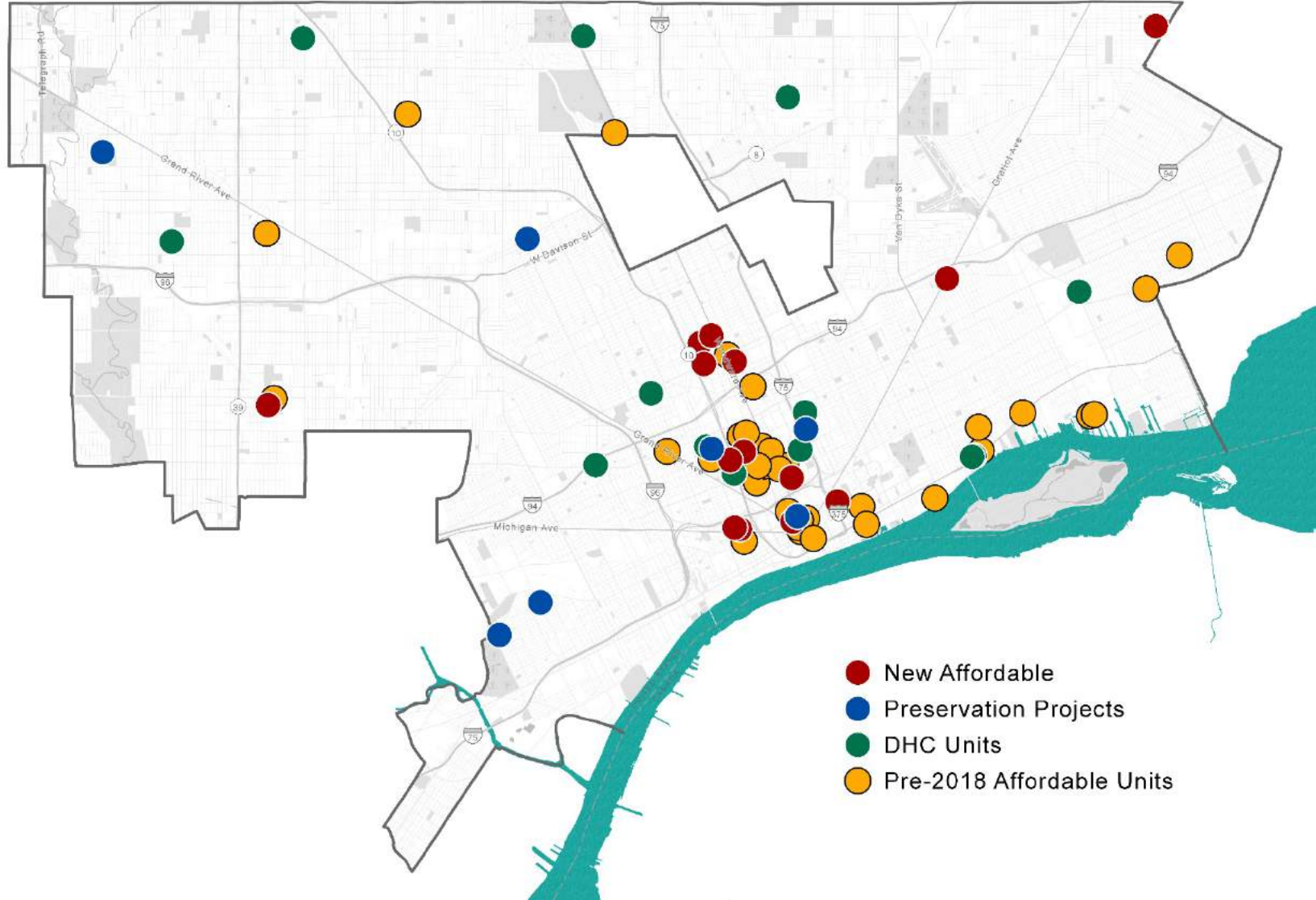
Our commitment: Those who stayed will not be forced out 1700 affordable units preserved or added before 2018



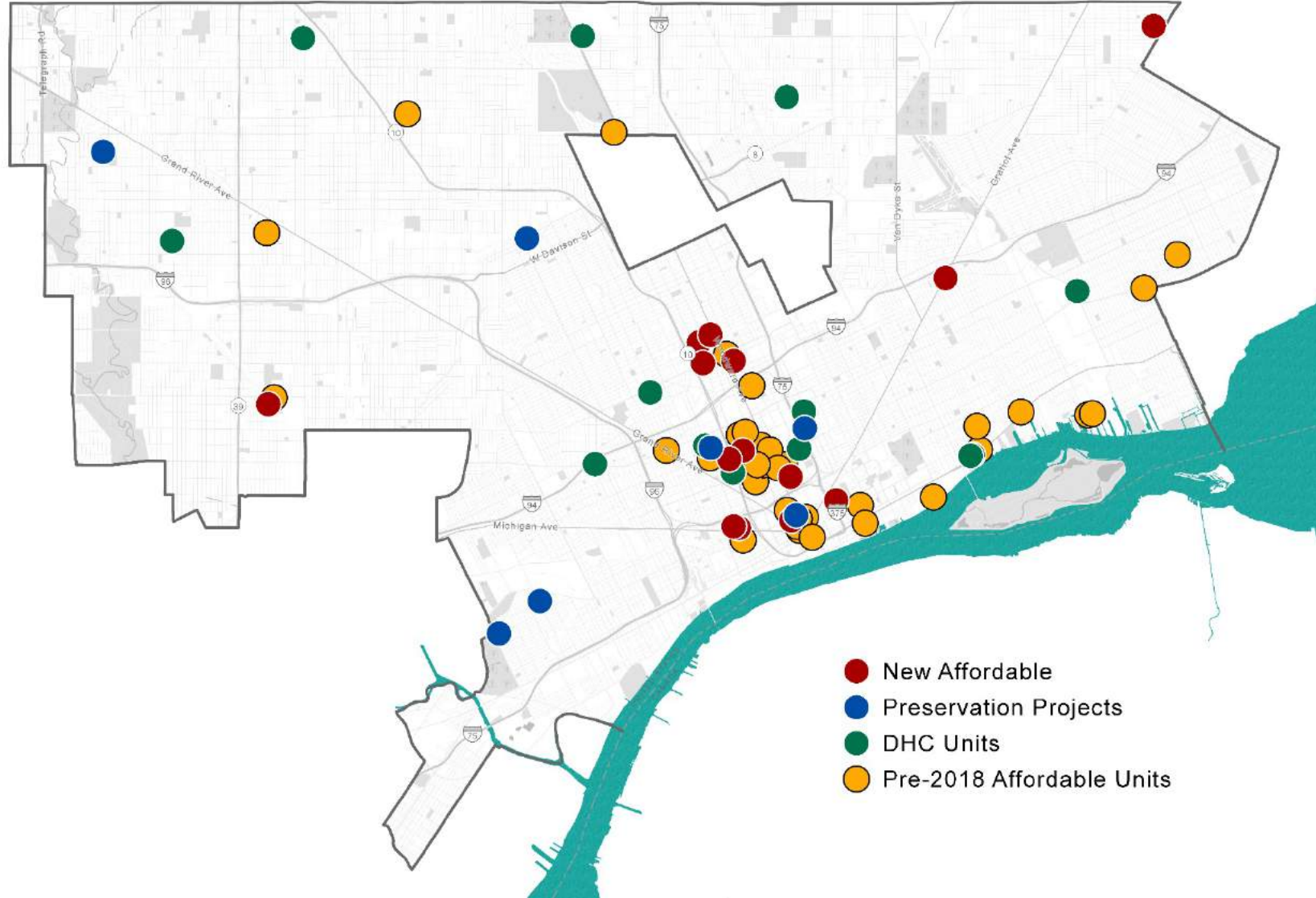
900 more units preserved in 2018-19



Plus 600 new units added in 2018-19



Since 2014: More than 3,000 affordable housing units preserved or added in Detroit



With historic levels of businesses moving in, we want to make sure Detroiters get every chance to land those jobs.



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Timika C., Patient Care Technician



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**Are you a Detroiters looking for work?
Our experts are ready to help.**

Detroit at Work tracks open jobs daily



2,600 Detroiters trained last year through 3 centers

Proposing \$4.5 million increase in training budget



- **5555 Conner**
- **9301 Michigan**
- **18100 Meyers**



781 Trained in Healthcare, CNA or PCT



Psontia Moore
CNA Training



317 Trained in Information Technology



Derien Stephens,
Junior Developer



652 Trained in CDL



Michael Getter
CDL-A Truck Driver for
Federated Logistics



We have a huge shortage of skilled trades workers in Detroit

We've had 1 million+ hours worked by Detroiters on construction projects under the Executive Order – it's not nearly enough.



Skilled Trade Unions are starting to open opportunities for Detroiters

4 Major Unions Have Signed Agreements To Triple Detroit Members

Plumbers' Local 98

Carpenters and Millwrights

International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 58

Laborers Local 1191

Last week visited Plumbers Apprentice class – and got to hear Adrienne Bennett address the group



Adrienne Bennett showed what is possible

In the 1970's, Ms. Bennett became first female plumber apprentice in Michigan



Then, she became the first African American female master plumber in America.

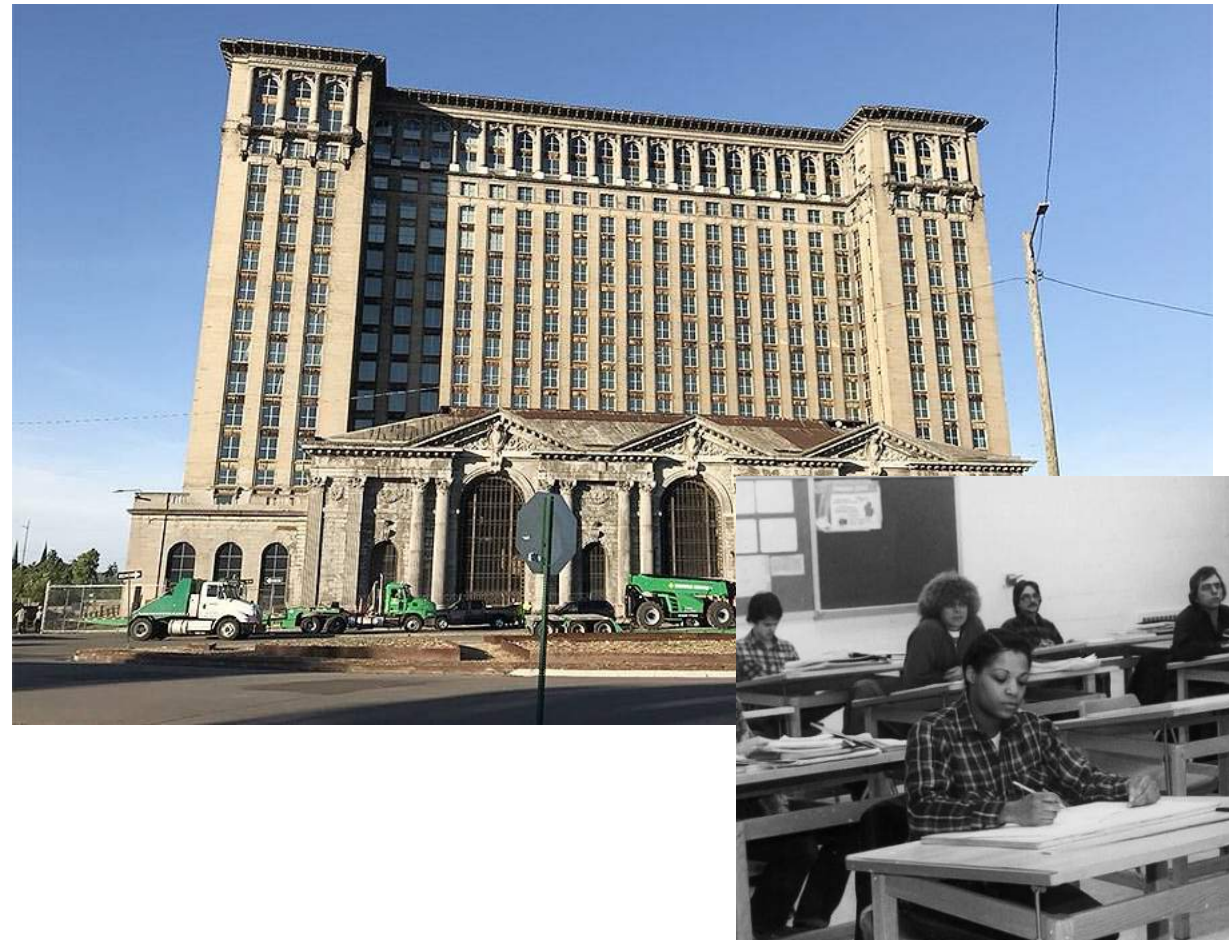


She started her own plumbing company - Benkari

Her company installed plumbing at Little Caesars Arena



And just got a contract to start working with Ford on the train station



We've trained 531 workers in construction - and need many more



Brenda Davis,
Local 324 Operating
Engineers



Just yesterday, the carpenters announced they were building their main training center in Detroit at I-96 and Livernois

Michigan carpenters union plans \$30M training facility in Detroit

Joe Guillen, Detroit Free Press Published 3:53 p.m. ET March 4, 2019 | Updated

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Apprentice Mekell Brewer of Clinton Township is well on his way to a career as a union millwright. As Michigan's workforce changes, the need for millwrights and other professional trades has grown, officials say. (Photo: Ted)

- **\$30 Million investment**
- **120,000 Square Foot building**
- **Train up to 1,500 Carpenters a year**
- **Starting construction next year**

What if you have a criminal record?

We placed more than 500 returning citizens last year in jobs

- **Auto Manufacturing**
- **Quality Control Inspector**
- **Asbestos Removal**
- **Truck Driver**
- **Carpenter Apprentice**
- **CNC Operator**
- **Machine Operator**



Micah Shows

Just one employer – Sakthi Automotive – has nearly 200 returning citizens in UAW auto parts jobs



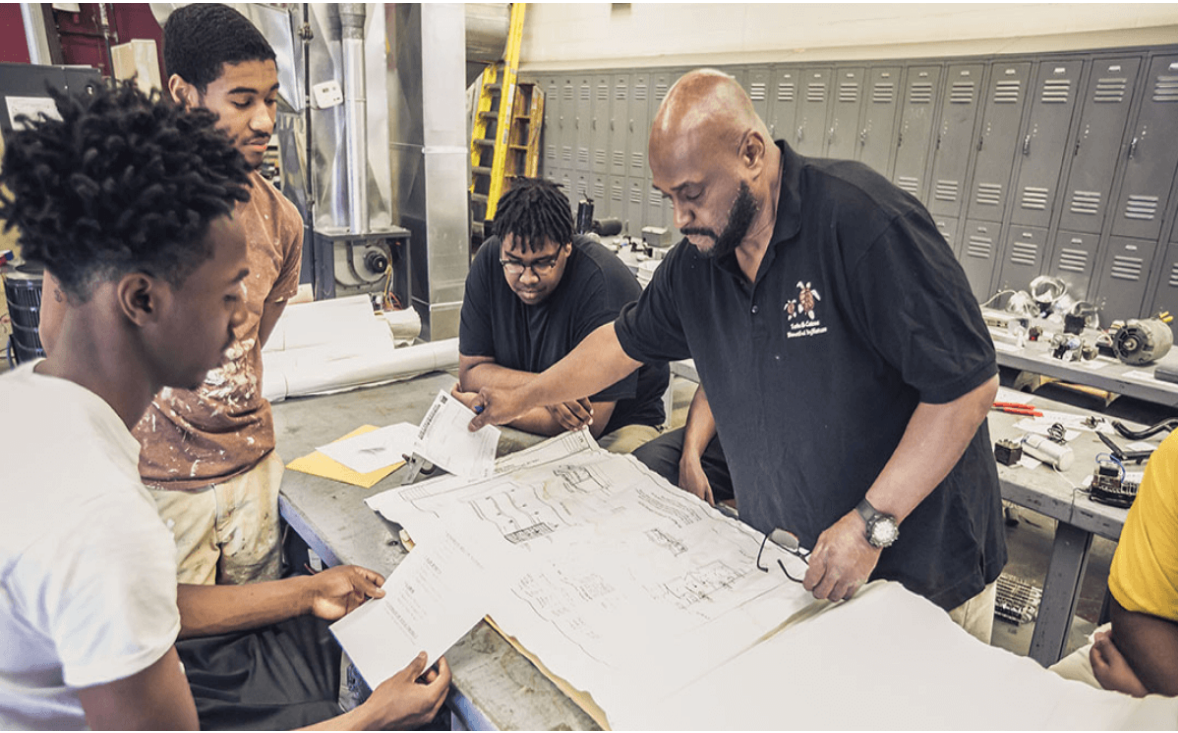
What if you have a criminal record eligible for expungement? We will be your lawyer

City fairs have already resulted in expungement of records for 170 Detroiters.

In upcoming budget, asking City Council for funding for 2 full time expungement attorneys.



We're committed to creating job opportunities for everyone
Go to detroitatwork.com or call (313)962-WORK



For those needing to drive, we joined a bi-partisan coalition that passed a law eliminating Driver Responsibility Fees



**76,000 Detroiters had
\$120 Million in fees forgiven**



Sterling Dickerson

2019 could be the year Detroit and Michigan finally get relief from America's highest car insurance rates



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DETROIT'S MAYOR SUING STATE OVER HIGH NO-FAULT CAR INSURANCE RATES

First court hearing: Judge called Michigan's No Fault law "shameful" and urged Lansing to act before he had to rule

The Detroit News

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Judge calls no-fault auto law 'shameful,' urges Michigan leaders to address it

[Christine Ferretti](#), The Detroit News Published 5:57 p.m. ET Feb. 7, 2019 | Updated 11:28 p.m. ET Feb. 7, 2019

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Detroit — A federal judge on Thursday invited state leaders to address Michigan's "shameful" no-fault auto insurance law during a hearing in a lawsuit that challenges the law's constitutionality.

U.S. District Judge George C. Steeh said he was hopeful state lawmakers would give auto insurance reform more consideration after hearing arguments on a motion to have the case tossed out.

New legislation in Lansing has real momentum – The very first bill taken up in the Senate in 2019

Committee meets to talk auto insurance rates



By Kyle Simon | Posted: Wed 7:47 AM, Feb 06, 2019 | Updated: Wed 1:49 PM, Feb 06, 2019



LANSING, Mich. (WILX) - A group of state lawmakers met on Wednesday to talk about how they plan to lower auto insurance rates here in Michigan.

No other state pays more for auto insurance than Michiganders do.

The first bill introduced in the state senate during the new legislative term is aimed at lowering insurance rates.

That bill has been referred to the state senate committee on insurance and banking.

"Lawmakers in the Michigan Senate and House made it clear last month that reforming Michigan's broken, outdated auto no-fault system was a top priority, and we're glad to see them back up those words with action," said Tricia Kinley, executive director of

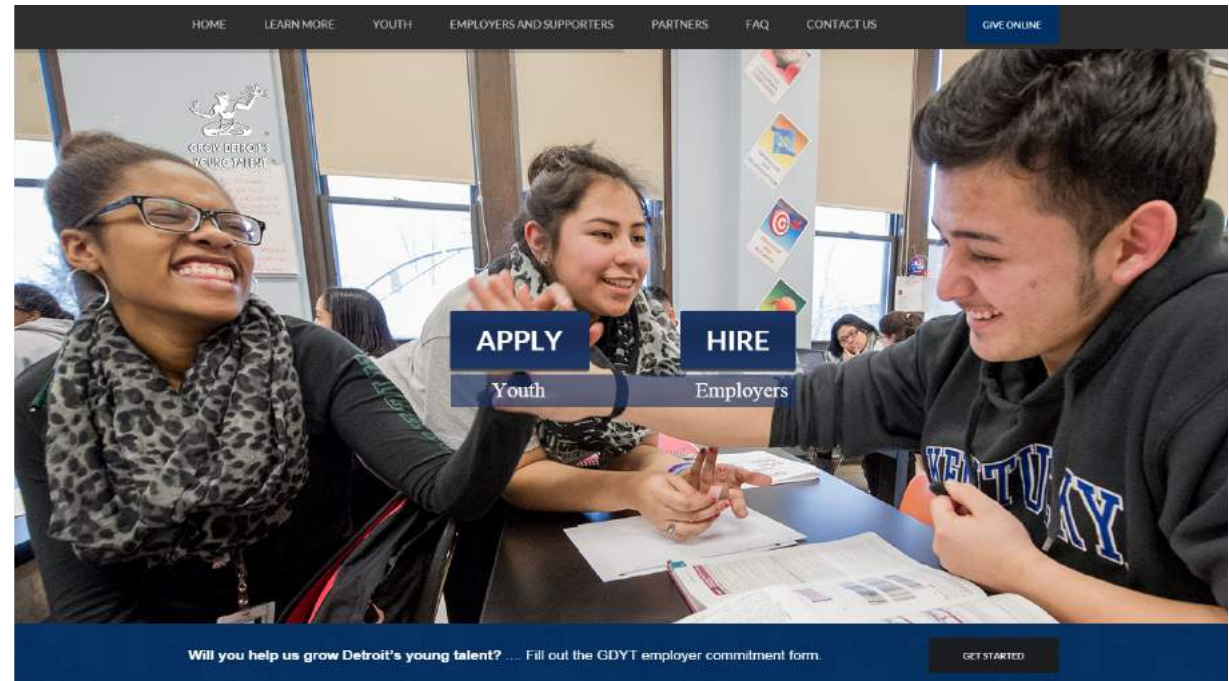


Will our youth share in Detroit's opportunities?

Detroit Summer Jobs Program: 8,200 Young People



Enroll by March 15 at GDYT.ORG



**We raised \$20 million to expand high school CTE programs –
More than 1,000 DPSCD students now enrolled**



Detroit Promise: Detroit was first major city to guarantee college tuition to all Detroit high school grads



1,421 Detroit Students Now Enrolled HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS – REGISTER TODAY

A Detroit resident graduating from any High School in Detroit is eligible:

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or call 313-596-0478



New For Fall, 2019: Community College Certifications Eligible For Paid Tuition

Detroit Promise will pay for Technical Certifications

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- **Cyber Security**
- **Overhead Lineman**
- **Pharmacy Technician**
- **Mechanic**
- **Emergency Med Tech**

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In January 2014, Detroit had 40,000 abandoned houses

The New York Times

Detroit Urged to Tear Down 40,000 Buildings



abandoned home on the west side of Detroit. Joshua Lott for The New York Times

By **Monica Davey**

May 27, 2014



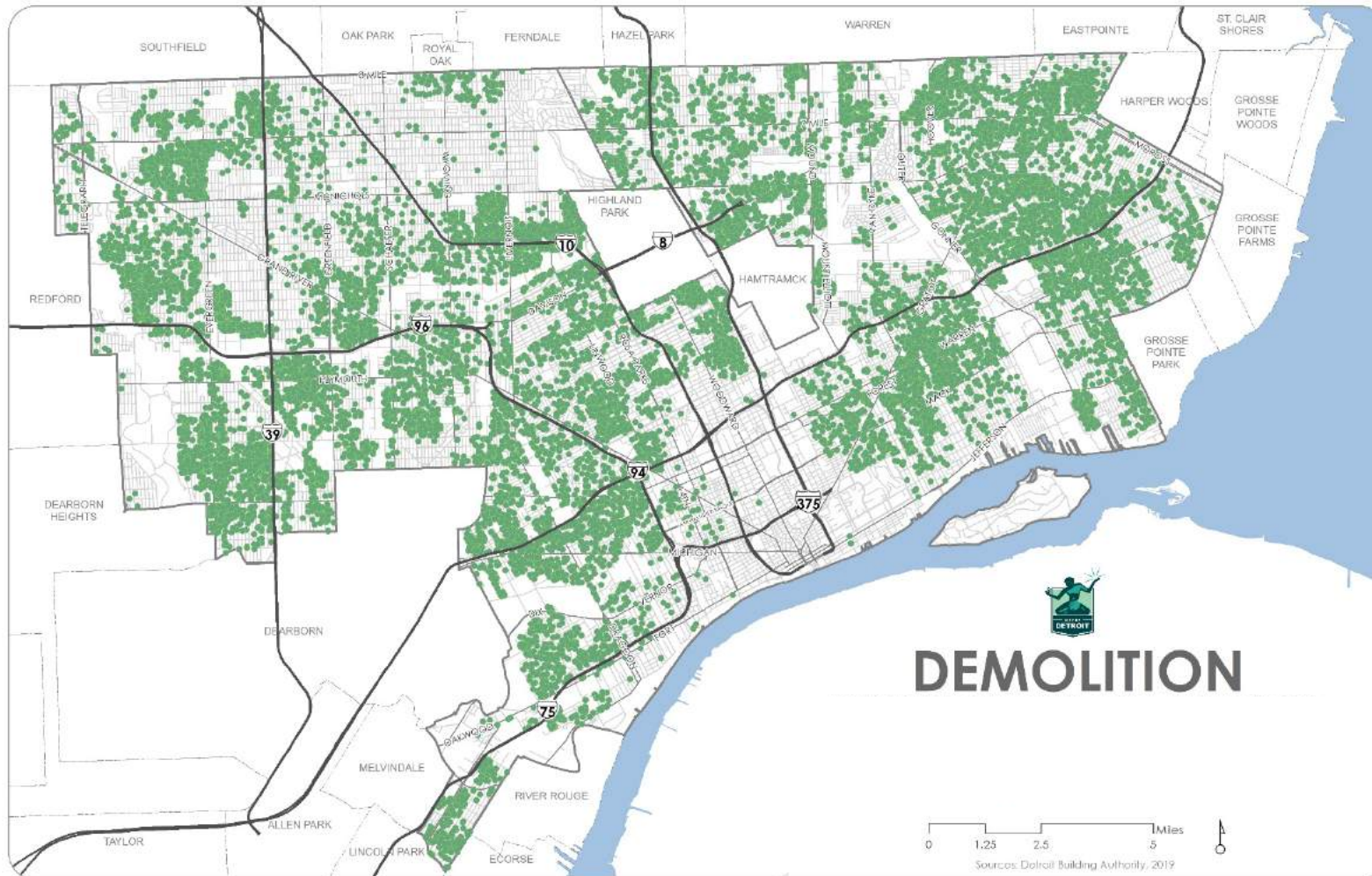
DETROIT — A task force convened by the Obama administration issued the most detailed study yet of blight in Detroit on Tuesday and

With support of federal government and MSHDA, we have now demolished more than 17,000 vacant houses



Special thanks to U.S. Treasury and Senator Debbie Stabenow: This month contracted for last of \$275 million federal funds

Will get us well over 20,000 demolitions by end of 2019



Environmental teams continue active enforcement with demolition contractors.

In last 5 years, 4 contractors have been terminated for failing to follow proper demo protocols.

In each case, contractors were required to remediate the site.

Door hangers are placed on neighboring houses ahead of demolition.

Field inspectors are continually making spot inspections.

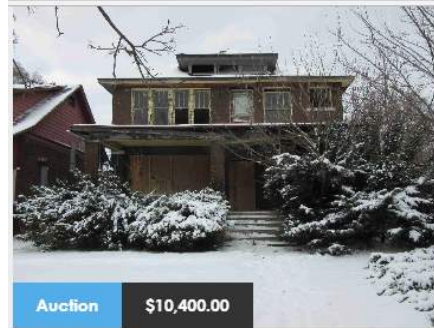
EPA has strongly supported Detroit environmental standards.



We've boarded up another 16,000 houses in last two years



In 2014, we started selling vacant land bank houses on the web at buildingdetroit.org



Auction \$10,400.00

2498 Lothrop

LaSalle Gardens, 48206, District 5

Sale Date : 02/27/2018

Area:2940 Sq ft

6 3



Auction \$1,000.00

2305 W Euclid

LaSalle Gardens, 48206, District 5

Sale Date : 02/27/2018

Area:2446 Sq ft

5 2



Auction \$10,300.00

11366 Balfour

Moross-Morang, 48224, District 4

Sale Date : 02/27/2018

Area:825 Sq ft

3 1



Auction \$17,100.00

613 Belmont

Gateway Community, 48202, District 5

Sale Date : 02/26/2018

Area:2112 Sq ft

6 2



Auction \$16,500.00

18954 Lindsay

College Park, 48235, District 2

Sale Date : 02/26/2018

Area:1304 Sq ft

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Auction \$1,000.00

279 Holbrook

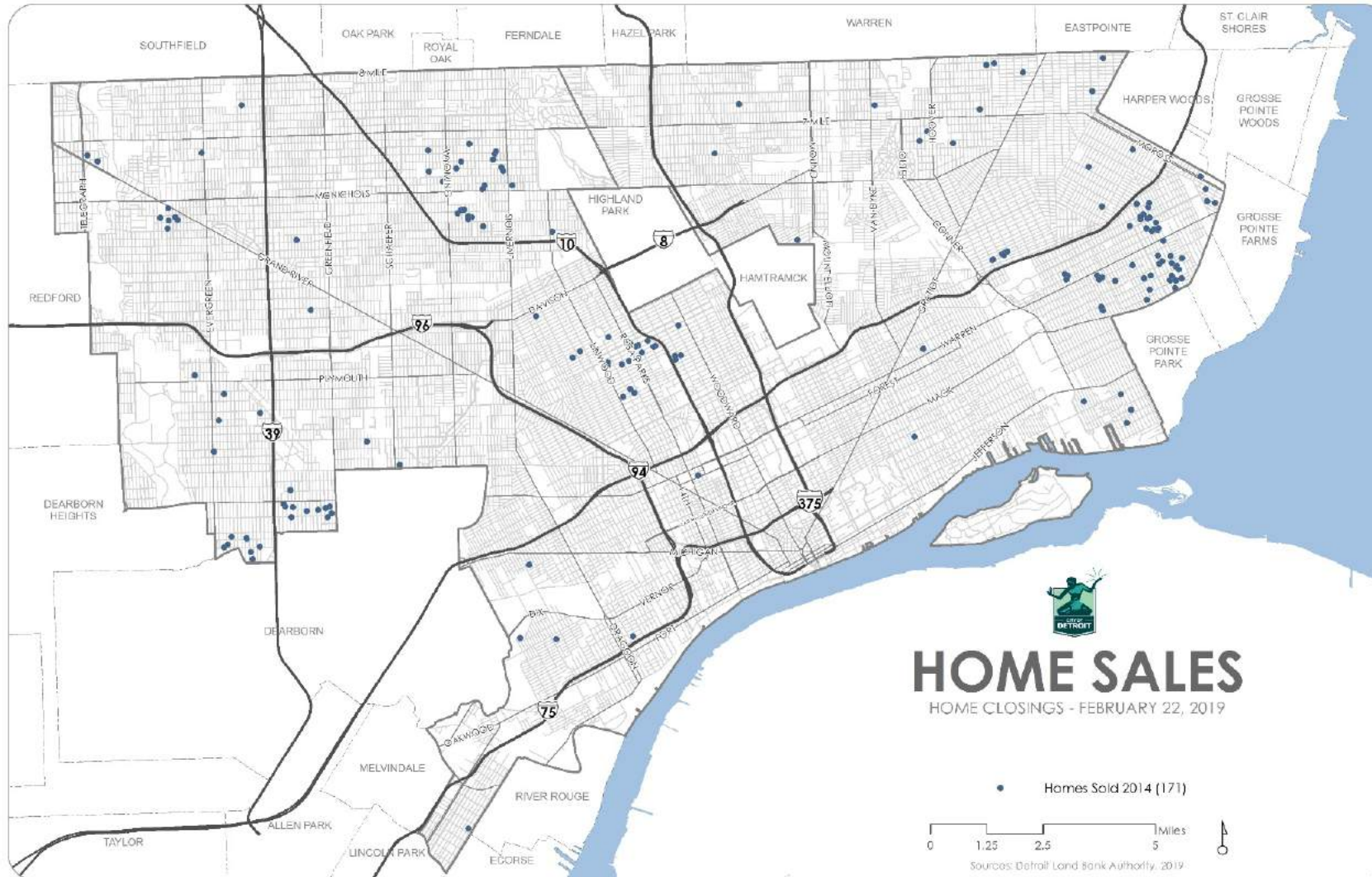
North End, 48202, District 5

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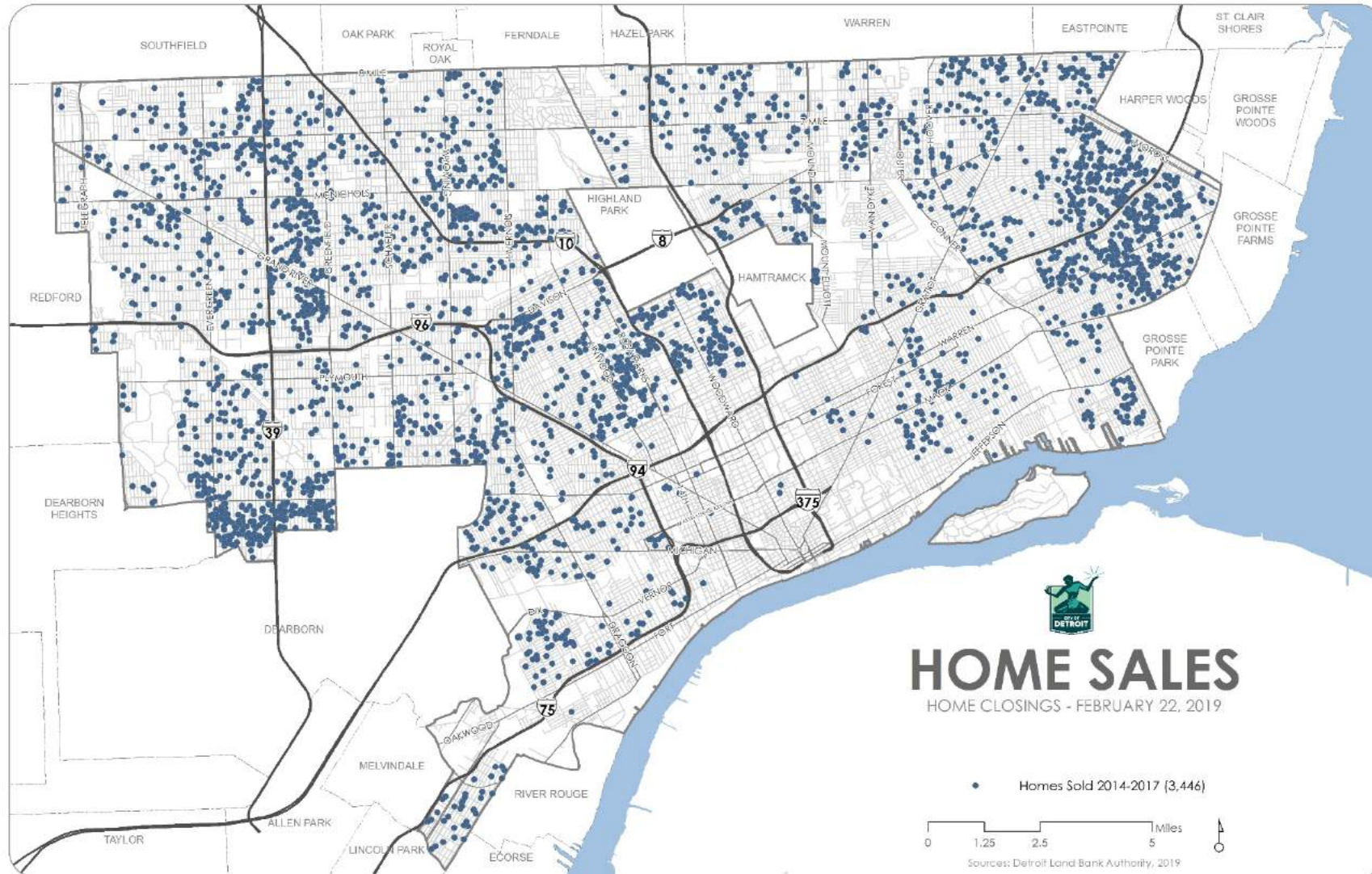
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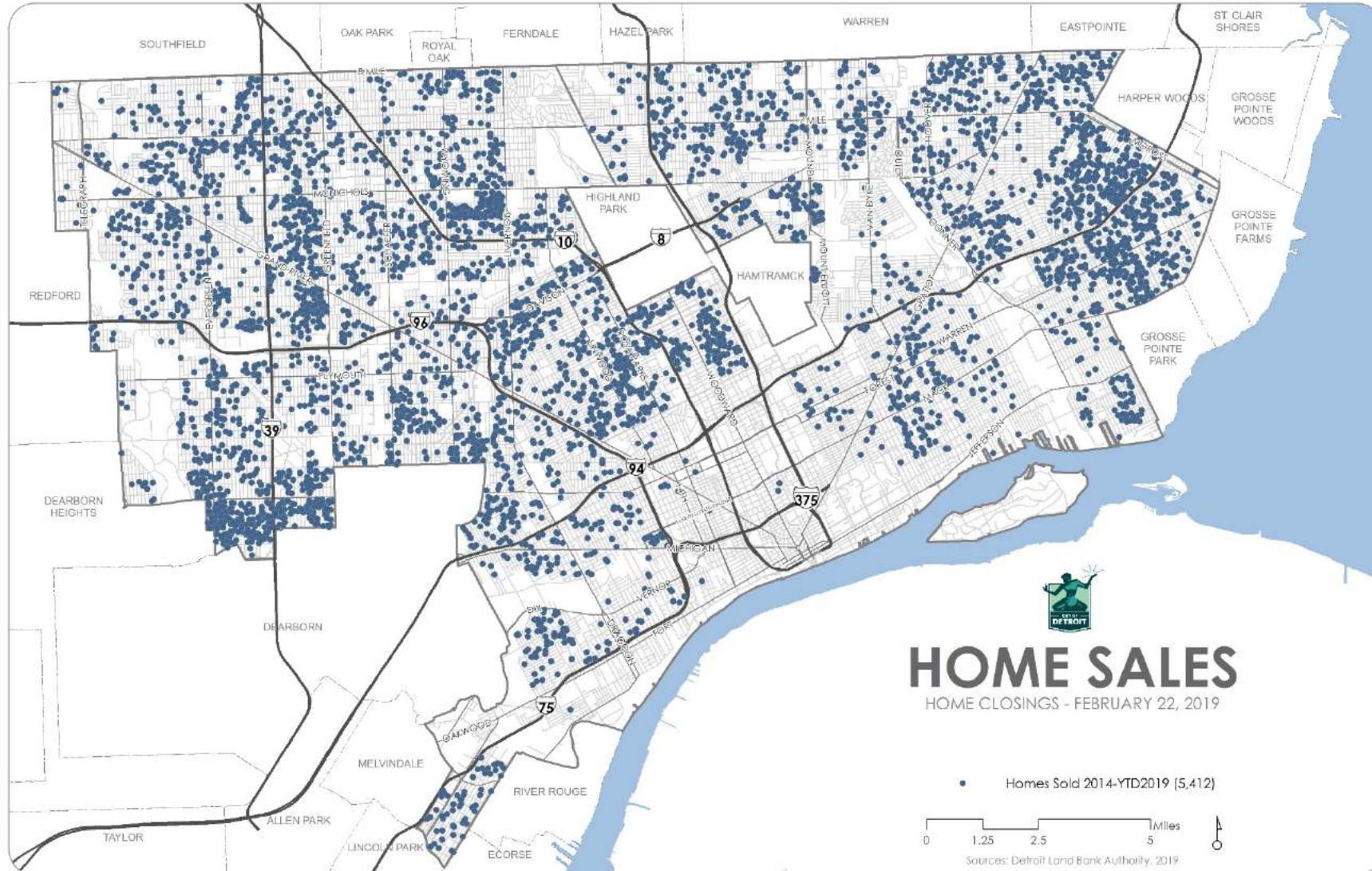
In 2014, we sold 171 vacant houses



By the end of 2017, we had sold 3000



And now we have sold nearly 5,500 houses to owners fixing them up and occupying them.



By the end of 2019, our goal is every single house in Detroit is demolished, boarded, or occupied



Demolitions helped cut Detroit building fires nearly in half in last 5 years



Allowed the 880 firefighters to become dual trained as medical first responders

Detroit firefighters cross-trained, taking medical runs

Christine Ferretti, The Detroit News Published 1:40 p.m. ET March 30, 2017



(Photo: Bryan Mitchell / Special to The Detroit News)

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Detroit — The city's firefighters are now cross-trained for emergency medical runs and John Samuels Jr. says he's alive today because of it.

Samuels went into cardiac arrest while napping on the couch of his Detroit home after church on Christmas Day. Soon after, a 911 operator directed his wife to administer CPR and a life-saving team of emergency medical technicians and firefighter first responders took it from there.

"I never thought it would be me as a recipient of it," said Samuels, a 59-year-old electrician who is trained in CPR. "Now I know what CPR can do. It worked for me."

Samuels detailed the efforts that saved his life during a Thursday news conference with Mayor Mike Duggan and Detroit fire officials marking the completion of a two-year

**Special thank you to the Detroit firefighters –
First on scene as medical responders 10,000 times in 2018**



Fewer fires also helped end need for Angels' Night

So long Angels' Night: Halloween fun returns to Detroit

Meira Gebel, Detroit Free Press

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The city of Detroit is doing away with its annual Angels' Night campaign and instead celebrating Halloween with more than a dozen events marking October's spookiest day.

Mayor Mike Duggan on Wednesday announced plans to replace the volunteer-led Angels' Night with a new citywide "Halloween in the D" event,

which will feature trunk-or-treating, haunted houses and parties across police precincts, parks and fire departments.

"We made a promise to Detroit's children that from now on, Halloween is going to be for them," said Duggan in a news release.

**And allowed 30,000 children to enjoy
the first “Halloween in the D”**



At Fire Stations and Police Precincts...



....Parks and Recreation Centers.



If we're going to be the City with job opportunities for all -
How do we bring jobs and development to neighborhoods?



We do it with a lot of community meetings



We get huge help from our corporate and philanthropy – Strategic Neighborhood Fund now up to \$85 million

How a drive led to \$35 million for neighborhoods

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- 7 corporations donate \$35 million toward Detroit neighborhood redevelopment
- Chemical Bank's philanthropy started three years ago in Fitzgerald neighborhood
- Donations are personal for Chemical Bank chairman and Flagstar Bank's CEO



West McNichols is already making progress

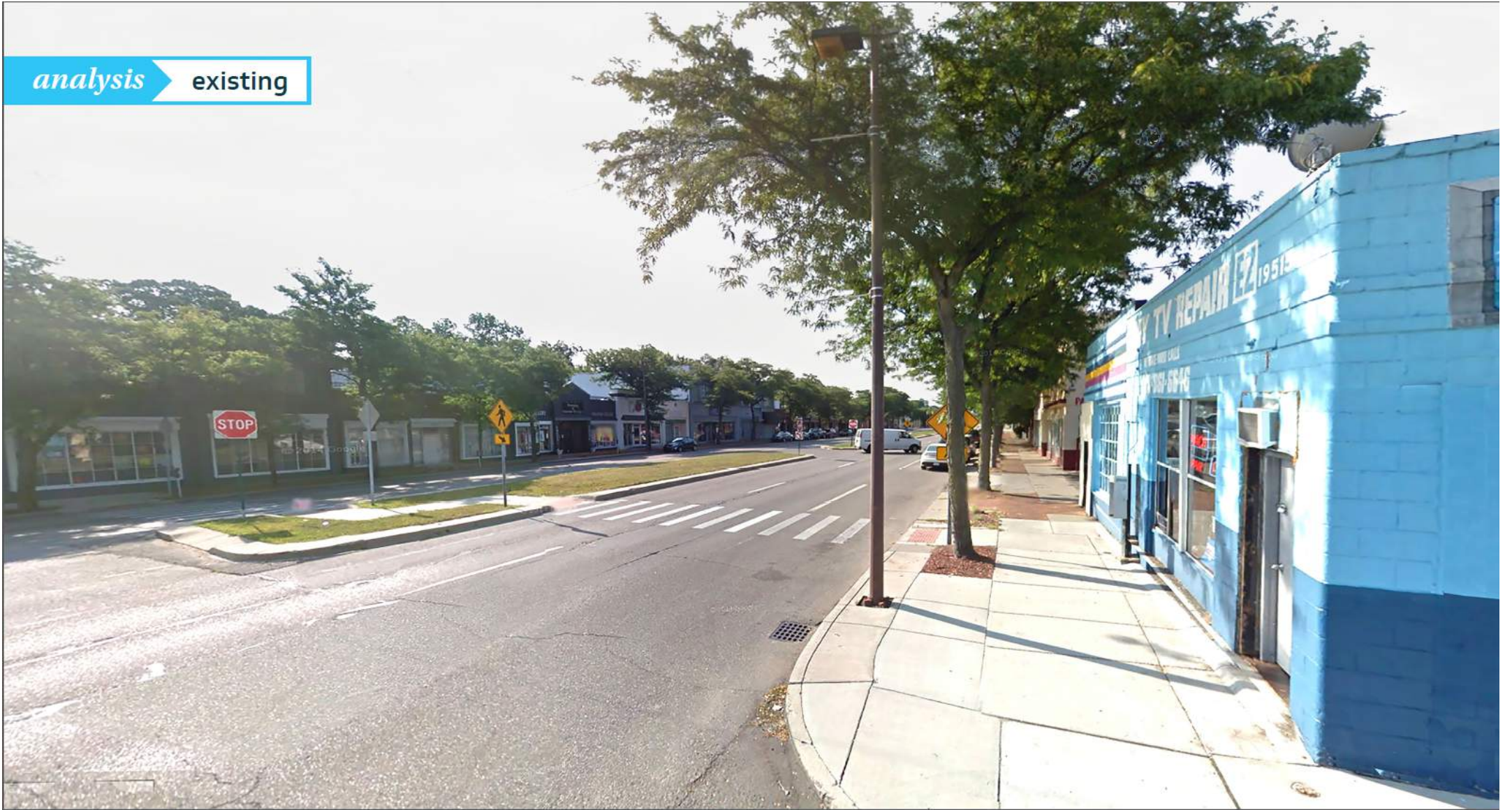


And this year we'll start building this streetscape



On Livernois on the Avenue of Fashion

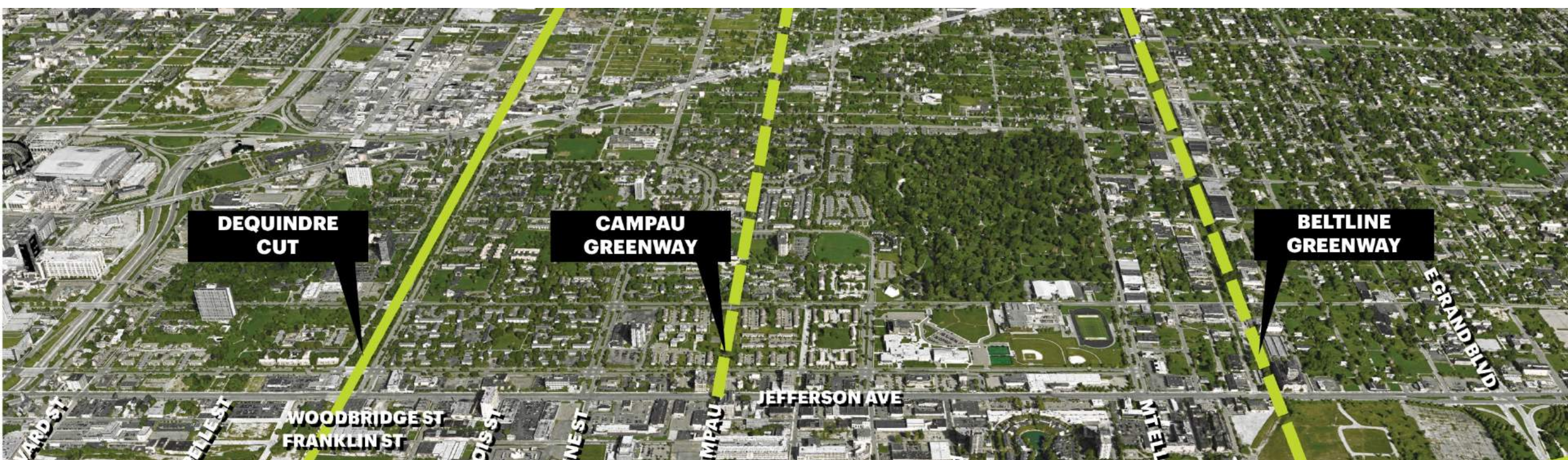
analysis existing



Next month we'll start building this



In the Islandview area



We'll see groundbreaking on a new Meijers –
with 200 new apartments built above



In the Rosedale/Grandmont and Old Redford area, with Governor Whitmer's help, we'll see rebuilt streetscape



And the abandoned Holcomb School...



...Turned into senior apartments



On Bagley in Southwest Detroit...



The streetscape will be rebuilt



In Jefferson Chalmers, these vacant apartments Are now being renovated



We have to do more to keep our community safe – we hit rock bottom 6 years ago

FBI: Detroit's 2013 homicide rate leads the nation

Gina Damron and Kristi Tanner, Detroit Free Press

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Detroit had the highest homicide rate among the nation's larger cities in 2013, FBI crime statistics released today show.

According to the FBI, Detroit had 316 homicides in 2013 and a population of 699,889, putting the city's rate at about 45 homicides per 100,000 residents — more than any other city in the nation with 100,000 or more residents.

The Detroit Police Department, though, reported the city actually had 333 criminal homicides in 2013 and,

according to the U.S. Census Bureau, the city's population was 688,701. Using those figures, the rate for 2013 would be roughly 48 homicides per 100,000.

According to the FBI homicide statistics, Detroit was followed by:

- New Orleans, La., which had a rate of about 41 homicides per 100,000 residents

Homicides and shootings have dropped dramatically the last 6 years

Homicides

2012	386	
2015	295	
2018	261	-32%

Non-Fatal Shootings

2012	1,263	
2015	1,035	
2018	755	-40%

Yet Detroit last year still has the country's 3rd highest homicide rate

2018 Homicide Rates – Cities Over 250,000

- 1) St. Louis
- 2) Baltimore
- 3) **Detroit**
- 4) Cleveland
- 5) New Orleans
- 6) Memphis
- 7) Kansas City
- 8) Newark
- 9) Washington D.C
- 10) Philadelphia

**Continuing to expand Ceasefire call-ins with parolees and probationers
- very powerful and effective, with great clergy and U.S Attorney support**



We're continuing to hire new officers – 500 Police Academy graduates in 2017 and 2018



94 more officers being trained in academy today

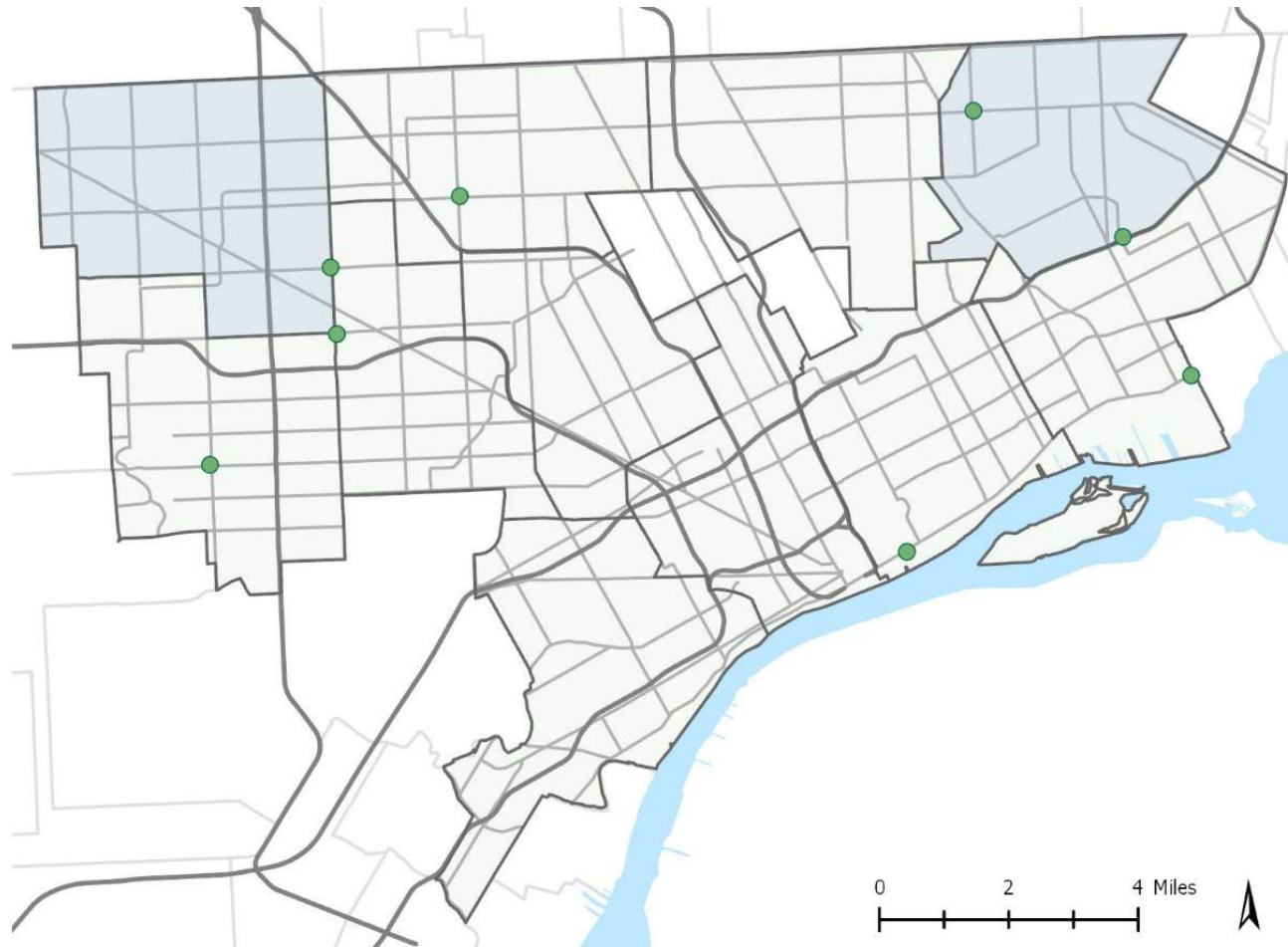


\$10 Million budget increase and 70 new positions being recommended for DPD for next year



The next step: We're going to back the police with America's most modern public camera system

We started Project Green Light 3 years ago as a trial with 8 gas stations



500 businesses have now installed green light cameras



Most were voluntary, but some followed community encouragement



Monitored in real time at police HQ



The cameras have been used to solve many crimes in surrounding areas.

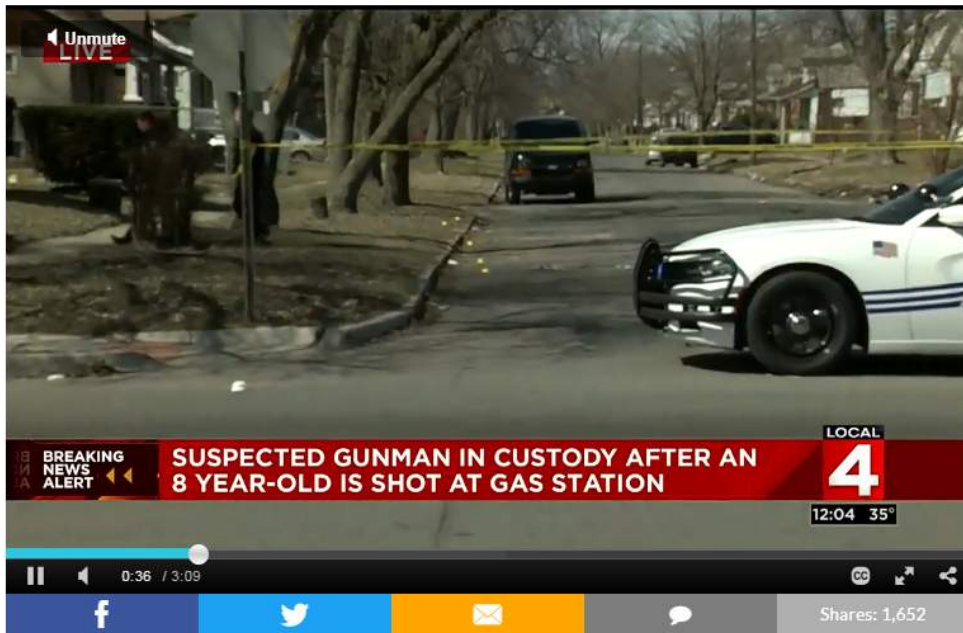
8-year-old girl shot Detroit's west side; suspect in custody

Girl rushed to Children's Hospital; she's expected to survive

By Nick Monacelli - Reporter, Dave Bartkowiak Jr.

Posted: 7:36 AM, March 23, 2018

Updated: 1:28 PM, March 23, 2018



DETROIT - An 8-year-old girl was shot Friday morning at a gas station near Plymouth Road and Kentucky Street in Detroit.

[READ: 8-year-old girl shot when man becomes irate, opens fire at Detroit gas station](#)

The girl was rushed to Children's Hospital with a gunshot wound to her arm. Police said she is expected

**March, 2018 7:20 AM near Plymouth and Wyoming
Shooter in nearby neighborhood randomly firing gun
Struck an 8 year old girl in the arm at traffic light
Nearby Green Light camera images captured shooter
Pictures immediately distributed to officers
Suspected arrested within an hour**

But we still have too many holes in the network

Last month, a woman was carjacked near I-94

Had her 1 year old son in car – removed him safely before carjacking

Suspect drove off on I-94 Service Drive

No cameras

Suspect still at large

Filling in the Green Light Network holes: DPW has additional traffic cameras at intersections



**In 2019, we'll start coordinating all cameras –
starting with Warren, Greenfield, East Seven Mile**



By the end of 2020, we'll have a 1,000 camera network that can track any shooter or carjacker across the city

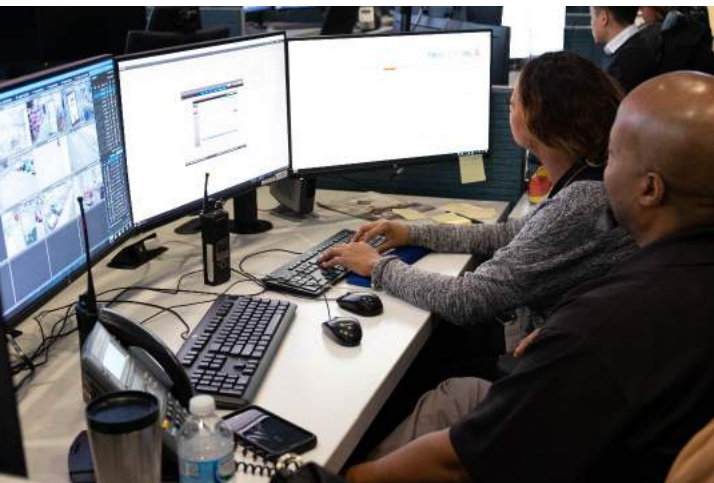


With High Definition Day & Night Cameras



This fall - real time crime centers in the 8th and 9th precincts

The precincts will be able to watch their own neighborhood



Reducing homelessness: Detroit's commitment to permanent supportive housing

Detroit's Hand Network Agencies Coordinate Outreach and Shelter Activities

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We serve as the Lead Agency Continuum of Care for the cities of Detroit, Hamtramck and Highland Park, Michigan

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**In 2017, we opened the 27 unit Charlotte near LCA
One of the first residents to move in was Pam Hart.**



Peterboro Place – 70 units being converted to Permanent Supportive Housing



56 New Permanent Supportive Housing Units Now Being Built by COTS in Midtown



So when Reverend Jim Holley approached us on long abandoned property near Little Rock Baptist Church



In 2017, we decided to renovate it for permanent supportive housing with CCIH



Last week we opened St. Rita's – but Pam Hart almost wasn't there

Historic Saint Rita apartment building in Detroit's North end transformed into new affordable housing



Branden Hunter



A Detroit Hero



Which made February 27th a very special day



