# **Atlanta & Denver**

### **Equitable Development Lessons**



**Community Based Partnerships & Creative Placemaking** 

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Portland, OR





# **Equity Super Bowl**



# **Community Land Trust**

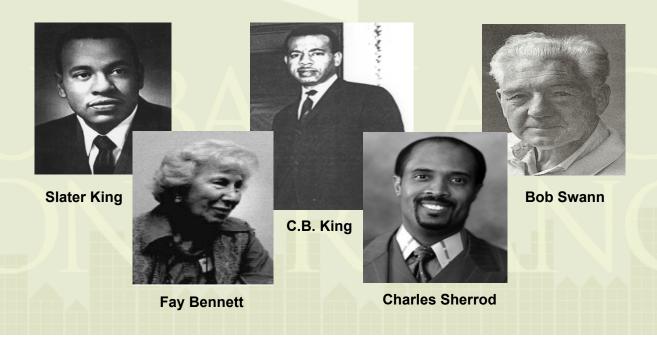


# **Roots of The Community Land Trust (CLT)**



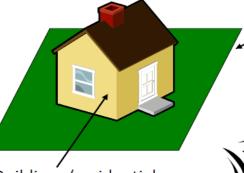
- Nonprofit corporation holding the land
- Membership open to anyone residing within a geographically defined Community
- Balance of interests on the governing board





# **Typical CLT Model**

# Community Land Trusts: *How do they work?*



Buildings (residential or commercial) are owned by individuals. Because they pay only for the structure, and not the underlying land, purchasing the building is more affordable. Land is owned by the Community Land Trust, which is governed by a non-profit board.



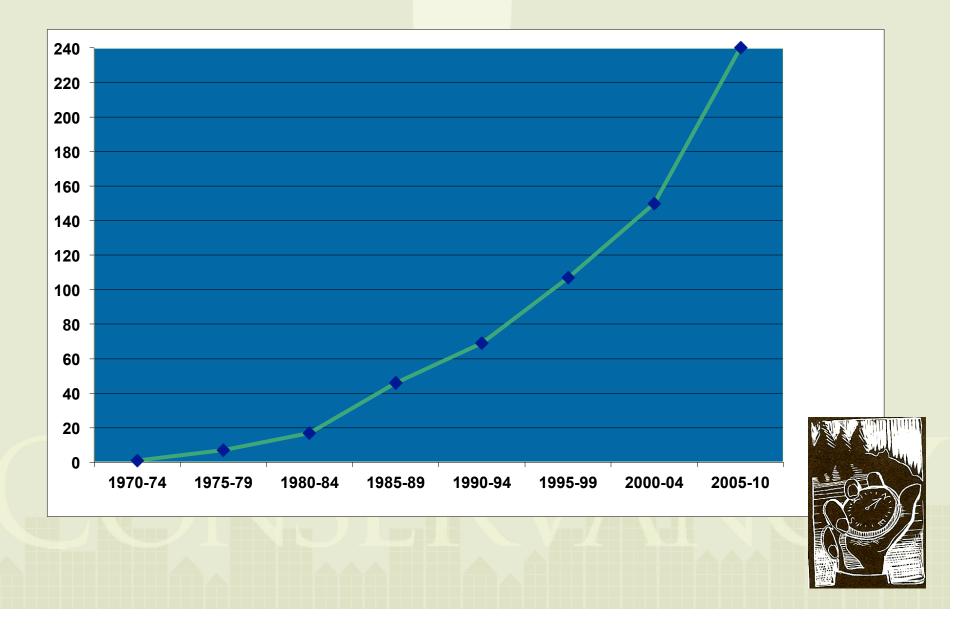


A 99-year <u>ground lease</u> between CLT and owner ensures owneroccupancy and responsible use and outlines fees paid to the CLT.

A <u>resale formula</u> built in to the ground lease is designed to keep homes affordable for subsequent buyers.



### **Number of CLTs in the United States**





# Atlanta Land Trust Collaborative ALTC

Growing Communities Without Displacement

2010 - 2013

#### TRANSIT ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT neighborhood stabilization

### **CLT EDUCATION & STEWARDSHIP**

REVITALIZATION





INNOVATION



### Lasting Affordability

# **CENTRAL SERVER**

**Standardization** 

**SUSTAINABILITY** 

### **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

## **CLT DEVELOPMENT AT SCALE**

#### SHARED EQUITY TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

### **Equitable Development**







**ANTI-DISPLACEMENT STRATEGY** 

efficiency

**Subsidy Retention** 

### **HOMEOWNERSHIP**

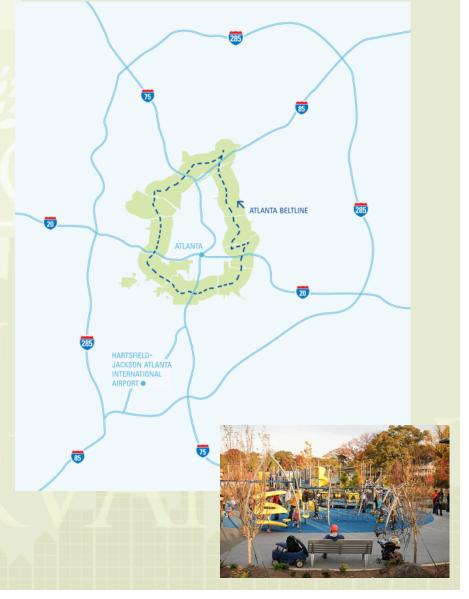




# **Atlanta BeltLine Context**

- 22 mile loop redevelopment area targeted
- Impacts 45 existing residential neighborhoods
- **25 Year Completion Timeline** (2005 2030)
- Mixed-use development includes new public parks, trails, transit, high density **TIF bond** funds support <u>Affordable Housing Trust</u> <u>Fund</u> – goal 5,600 new units





### Atlanta Lessons Learned 2010 -2013 Beltline Affordable Housing Trust Fund (BAHTF)

2008 BAHTF Policy Subsidy Recapture (\$252K max home sales price) for max. 115% AMI households Affordability Achieved		Proposed Permanent Affordability Shift	Proposed BAHTF Revision Subsidy Retention (\$185K max home sales price) for max. 80-100% AMI households Affordability Potential	
	BAHTF \$8.8M Subsidy <u>Production 2008-2012</u> 86 total* affordable units: Primary Focus - New construction		BAHTF \$8.8M Subsidy <u>CLT Production 2012-2016</u> <b>250 total</b> CLT affordable units: Primary focus – occupy existing vacant inventory	
	Term limited affordability (max. 15 years) for initial sale only		No expiration of affordability for initial and future re-sales	

\* source – BeltLine Manager of Housing & Economic Development \$1.7M BAHTF uncommitted as of Aug. 2012 (3 CLT deed restricted units sold in 2012 are included)

### Atlanta Land Trust Collaborative 2010 -2013 5,600 affordable unit goal (2030)



**BELTLINE CLT AFFORDABLE PILOT DEMONSTRATION – LOFTS AT REYNOLDSTOWN CROSSING** 

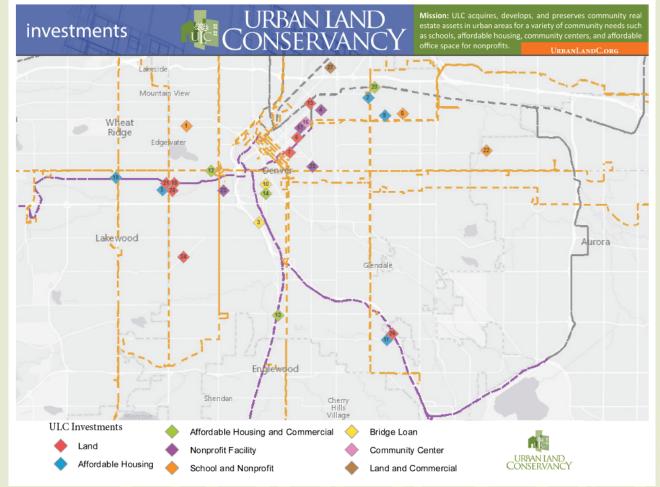


A one-day lottery event selling 28 affordable condominiums

# **Urban Land Conservancy (ULC)**



- 501(c)(3) and supporting organization to The Denver Foundation, established 2003, staffed 2007
- Mission: To acquire, develop, and preserve urban community assets in Metro Denver
- Initial \$15M seed capital investment from Gary Community Investment has resulted in over \$70 million in 28 real estate investments. These 28 properties have <u>leveraged over \$400M in</u> <u>redevelopment</u>, serving over 10,000 low and moderate income people
- 900 full and part-time jobs are supported by ULC real estate investments
- Acquire strategic sites in anticipation of market changes through land banking along transit corridors
- When possible we use the Community Land Trust (CLT) 99 year land lease with partners to ensure permanent stewardship of the improvements/buildings



# Hybrid Innovation

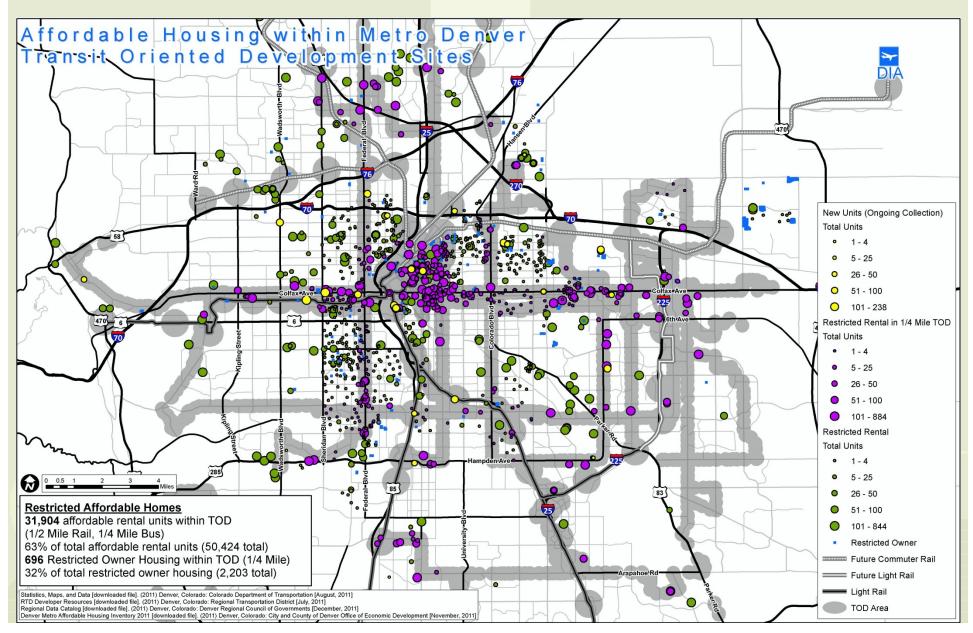


# LONG TERM STEWARDSHIP + LAND BANKING





# **Affordable Housing in Metro Denver**



Lon Adams County	<u>g Term Affordable Rental</u> 8,274	<u>County HU</u> 165,775	<u>% Affordable</u> 5.0%
Arapahoe County	6,554	241,636	2.7%
Boulder County	5,093	129,801	3.9%
<b>Broomfield County</b>	639	23,564	2.7%
Denver County	26,942	290,496	9.3%
Douglas County	1,896	111,175	1.7%
Jefferson County	<u>7,531</u>	<u>232,756</u>	<u>3.2%</u>
Region Total	56,929	1,195,20	3 4.8%

Data provided by The Piton Foundation

# **FasTracks: Background**

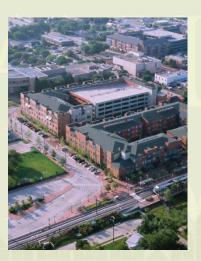
- In 2004, voters approved the \$4.7 billion (now \$7.2B) expansion of rail and bus service for the region to be completed by 2017
- 2007 Study: 155,000 units of new housing built by 2030 at transit stations, at least 62,000 of the units need to be affordable
- 122 miles of new light rail and commuter rail
- 18 miles of Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) service
- \$484 M Redevelopment of Denver Union Station
- 50+ new rail and/or BRT stations for potential Transit Oriented Communities



**Denver Union Station** 



**Connective Infrastructure** 





TOD

# **Denver TOD Fund**

2010 - 2014

Fund will preserve and create over 1,000 work force homes and other community assets near high frequency transit by:

- Purchasing existing multi-family properties
- Land banking
- Acquiring industrial/brown field sites

\$15M, 10 year fund, 3.38% fixed rate to

- Revolving Line of Credit
- 3-5 year sub-loans for acquisition
- Rental up 60% AMI
- For Sale 95% AMI
- 90% LTV on 'as-is' basis
- Top 63% is Non-Recourse
- Expanded to \$24M regional fund in 2014



### Holly Square: Denver's first commercial CLT



- In 2009 ULC purchased and completed demolition of a fire bombed former shopping center on 2.6 acres
- In 2010 support of ULC and the Denver Foundation's Strengthening Neighborhoods Program, residents of NE Park Hill joined community-wide action group, Holly Area Redevelopment Project (HARP), for a 2-year masterplan visioning process.
- Completion of a new Holly Square Boys & Girls Club, opening in the Fall 2013 using a 99 year ground lease with ULC <sup>(C)</sup>
- Next phase completed July 2016 with the opening of Roots Elementary Charter School, also using a 99 year CLT land lease.

# A-Line 40<sup>th</sup> & Colorado Station: Equitable Transit Oriented Development with a

### CLT

### Park Hill Village West

- March 2013 ULC purchases 9.4 acre property for \$6M using the TOD Fund and \$1.2M in PRIs
- June 2014 Completed 7 month (13 meetings) community planning process = options for mixed use development of 6.7 acres at est. total development costs \$65M - \$80M
- July 2014 Phase 1 Sale of 2.7 acres to private developer DelWest for \$2.1M for affordable housing.
- April 2016 Park Hill Station Completion \$30M
  Phase 1 by DelWest of 156 permanently affordable
  apartments + local workforce training pilot
- April 2016 A-Line Commuter Rail opening
- December 2016 ULC signs development agreement for additional 3 phases including 350 units of mixed income housing and a mixed –use commercial CLT

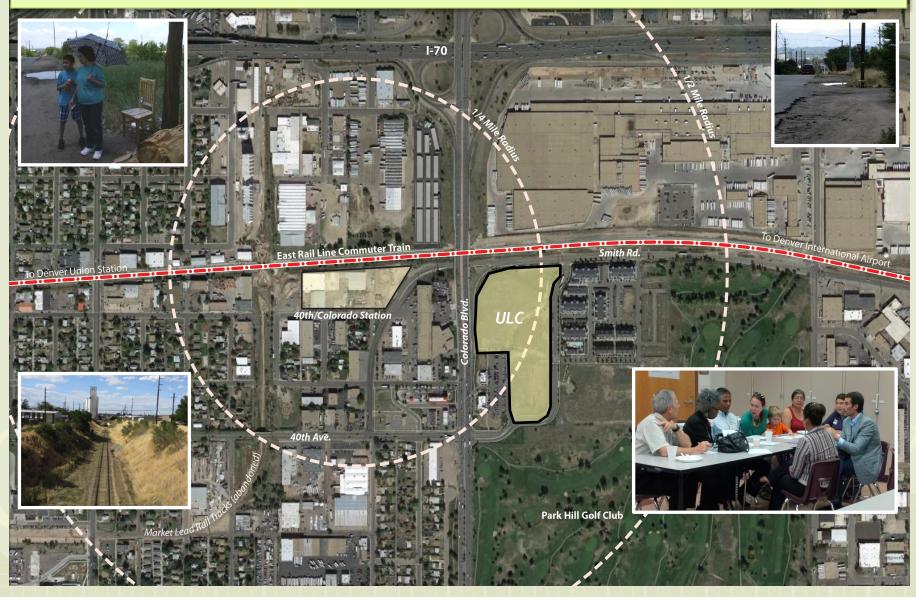






### Urban Land Conservancy 2013 - 2016





### **303** ARTWAY

### Creative Placemaking Strategy (FLMC)



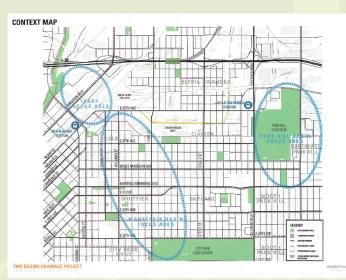


### **303** ARTWAY

### **303ArtWay.org** (9 mile loop)













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Northeast Transportation Connections













# Northeast Denver : Creative Placemaking

Economic Viability Strategy Model

# **Example: Indianapolis Cultural Trail**

**\$63M investment** for 8 mile corridor of Economic Impact

- Property values increased 148% from 2008 to 2014 = \$1B in new assessed value
- Businesses report increases in revenues and customers, which have led to additional full- and part-time jobs



**Public/Private Partnership Investment** \$27.5M - private & philanthropic support for (\$15M from Eugene and Marilyn Glick)

\$35.5M - federal transportation grants.

No City of Indianapolis budgeted funds were used to construct the Trail.



### 6 Years of Challenges, Outcomes & Lessons on Equitable Development

- Acquire control of land at strategic sites
- Prioritize Permanent Affordability
- <u>Getting out of program silos is critical to the long term</u> <u>Equitable Success</u>
- Organize & Engage Community support early to identify and achieve clear outcomes for Equitable Development
- Catalytic Projects must be a clear policy priority for all partners (including City and philanthropy)
- Coordination of competitive funding sources is difficult and time consuming, ie. LIHTC, NMTC, EB-5, etc...
- Mixed-use, mixed-income is the core of successful communities – Housing Options + High Performing Education and Support Facilities are key!!!
- Dedicated Workforce Training efforts and living wage Employment Opportunities must be incorporated early







