



Opportunity Corridor: Restoring Prosperity to the Forgotten Triangle



Factors that Influence Land Use
Build on Economic Strengths*
Transform the Physical Landscape*
Restore Prosperity*

- Source: Restoring Prosperity: The State Role in Revitalizing America's Older Industrial Cities.
- The Brookings Institute



**Today's
Presenters**



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- A vision of improved connections dating back to the 1950's
 - Clark Freeway (1950's)
 - Bedford Freeway (1970's)
 - WECO Roadway (early 1980's)
 - State Route 87A (late 1980's)
- Innerbelt; UCAB; OC
- More than a connection – rebirth of a neighborhood

History /
Background



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Gateway to
Economic
Growth



Where is the Forgotten Triangle?

The
Forgotten
Triangle

- Cleveland, Ohio
- Among the Poorest City in the Nation
- Poorest neighborhood within the City



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The Forgotten Triangle



- Why has it been forgotten?
 - Loss of manufacturing jobs
 - Freeway system



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- Why has it been forgotten?
 - Loss of population
 - Changing neighborhood fabric
 - No schools, few community services
 - Lack of investment

The Forgotten Triangle



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- How do you get there?
 - Freight Rail Corridor
 - Local Street Network

The Forgotten Triangle



- How do you get there?
 - Public Transportation
 - Freeway System

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Why is it important?

- Located between University Circle and the Region
- Continued loss of employment, population & housing stock

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Why is it important?

- Deteriorated infrastructure
- Opportunity for change & investment

The Forgotten Triangle



How can we change it?

- Prioritize area for redevelopment
- Implement policies for education, job creation, job training

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How can we change it?

- Improve infrastructure
- Improve quality of life; rebuild community

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