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NATIONAL NEIGHBORHOOD INDICATORS PARTNERSHIP
AND THE URBAN INSTITUTE

Atlanta

ATLANTA NEIGHBORHOOD INDICATORS PROJECT
November 2008

1. **Key Accomplishments Since April 2008**.

   - Completed a signed-contract with a Web technology vender (who is being used by at least two other NNIP sites) who will integrate our local data into a state-of-the-art mapping and visualization system.

   - Became one of three sub-grantees with Urban Institute and Fannie Mae to address the foreclosure crisis through the provision of local data

   - Negotiated with local state health department for neighborhood level health data

   - Secured additional funding from our local United Way

   - Completed a communications/marketing plan that identified target audiences and key messages, all geared toward an official launch of sometime in Spring of 2009.

2. **What important reports have you produced? What important data presentations have you delivered?**

   We are not to a point where we are ready to release a "Neighborhood Nexus" report or to present data under its banner. Emory (Dr. Michael Rich's outfit), however, has completed or is working on a couple of initiatives that could be released on behalf of Neighborhood Nexus that present comprehensive profiles of city of Atlanta neighborhoods as well as more regional "sub-areas" using Census 2000 data.

   - Another local university – Georgia State University – has offered to conduct localized analysis based on TANF and food stamp recipients and how the geographic distribution has changed over time.

3. **What new analysis/program efforts are you working on?**

   - The main new program we are working on is the grant from Urban Institute/Fannie Mae to use data to help the Atlanta area design more effective strategies to address the foreclosure crisis.

4. **Have you acquired new data (other than routine updates)? Have you completed any notable system or web site improvements? Please describe.**

   - Emory University has acquired census tract-level data from the Georgia Division of Public Health that includes various measures of maternal/child health by race and ethnicity.

- In working on the foreclosure crisis report, we have obtained a local, proprietary source of foreclosure filings at the address level as well as the tax digest from one of the Atlanta region's core counties.

- And, finally, we already have a good bit of local, neighborhood-level data like population estimates, housing unit estimates, and detailed employment estimates. Finally, the Atlanta Regional Commission is collecting tax assessor data for a 20-county area that could potentially be used in the near future.

5. What upcoming events/activities (with dates) present an opportunity to showcase NNIP?

- None imminent, but the official launch of Neighborhood Nexus would be such an event.

Baltimore

BALTIMORE NEIGHBORHOOD INDICATORS ALLIANCE
November 2008

1. What are your key accomplishments since April 2008 (headlines)

• On October 20, the Mayor of Baltimore City will announce the completion and release of the Baltimore DrillDown report (Social Compact DrillDown for Baltimore City).

• All data and methodology to create a DrillDown for Baltimore City have been transferred to BNIA-JFI. We have also created a website (see #4 below) to disseminate information and for groups to request a DrillDown.

• BNIA-JFI tracked Baltimore City's progress in meeting its Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Goals (CEDS). The final report will be released in early November, 2008.

• BNIA-JFI provided data and technical assistance to the Baltimore City Health Department to create the 2008 Health Status Report and Neighborhood Health Profiles. The report and profiles can be found at http://www.baltimorehealth.org/.

2. What important reports have you produced? What important data presentations have you delivered?

• Baltimore DrillDown – alternative market analysis of Baltimore City (including 13 neighborhoods) created by Social Compact, BNIA-JFI, Baltimore Development Corporation, and Baltimore City Department of Planning.

• Vital Signs 5 – report tracking over 40 indicators for Baltimore City's Community Statistical Areas. In addition, each of the Community Statistical Area profiles has been updated to include the data in Vital Signs 5.

• More in the Middle Dashboard Report: Analysis and Metrics of Baltimore City's African American Middle Class (full report) – the report examined the gaps between the African American and White middle class in Baltimore City across the topics of demographics, income, employment, housing, and education.

• BNIA-JFI created a database of all properties within the Baltimore Empowerment Zone to be used for a foreclosure prevention program created by the Associated Black Charities of Maryland.

• BNIA-JFI has created a variety of other projects and services including maps of the East Baltimore Development Initiative, maps of indicators for the Baltimore Metropolitan Area, maps of foreclosures, and numerous requests for information, data, and other requests.

3.　　What new analysis/program efforts are you working on?

•　　BNIA-JFI is working with the Baltimore Homeowner's Preservation Task Force to identify areas in Baltimore City that can be targeted for foreclosure prevention, potential community investment, and to track foreclosures.

•　　BNIA-JFI has developed a website to track foreclosures in Baltimore City. This site will be updated weekly and allow for users to download data on foreclosures in Baltimore City. For more information see #4.

•　　BNIA-JFI will be tracking a series of neighborhood indicators for the Central Baltimore Partnership. These indicators will help monitor several program areas where the CBP has created or is initiating programs. These program areas include: public safety, sanitation, code enforcement, and housing.

•　　BNIA-JFI is creating a longitudinal study of the City of Annapolis, Maryland for Homes for America. This study will provide data on topics including: socioeconomic, housing, education, workforce, transit, crime, community, and economic development for the entire City from 1970 on. The study, when complete, will be hosted on the BNIA-JFI website.

•　　BNIA-JFI may be working on a branding and marketing campaign for the Charles Street commercial corridor. This project would include creating a database of businesses in the corridor and identifying and tracking several indicators including: crime, home sales, rehab permits, employment, sales revenue, and other indicators.

•　　BNIA-JFI is working with the Baltimore Community Foundation on the Baltimore Community Experience Initiative. This project will focus on actively involving Baltimore area residents age 55 and over in civic endeavors that benefit children and promote youth development.

•　　BNIA-JFI is in preliminary discussions to provide research services to the Baltimore City Mayor's Office of Minority and Women-Owned Business Development.

•　　BNIA-JFI is working with the Urban Institute to examine the secondary effects of foreclosure for the Open Society Institute.

4.　　Have you acquired new data (other than routine updates)? Have you completed any notable system or web site improvements? Please describe.

•　　　　Data – BNIA-JFI may be adding the ES202 micro records for Baltimore City and the TCA recipient data for the State of Maryland. BNIA-JFI has also added all of the Baltimore DrillDown indicators and Census block group data.

•   Web site improvements – BNIA-JFI has created two additions to its website. These are: Baltimore Drilldown (www.ubalt.edu/bnia/drilldown and www.baltimoredrilldown.org) - this site provides users with the Baltimore DrillDown report, summary, data glossary and sources, static maps of data included in the DrillDown, and the ability to order a DrillDown; and

•   Baltimore City Foreclosure Filings Website (www.ubalt.edu/bnia/maps.cfm) – this site provides users with information on foreclosure filings by neighborhood in Baltimore City. Data is entered and mapped weekly with downloadable information on each filing (plaintiff, defendant, amount, and address) available to users.

5.   What upcoming events/activities (with dates) present an opportunity to showcase NNIP?

•   More in the Middle Initiative Press Release event (October 29)
•   Central Baltimore Learning Community meeting (November 18)
•   Enterprise Community Conference (November 19-21)
•   National Main Streets Conference (March 1-4, 2009)
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Boston

BOSTON INDICATORS PROJECT
METROPOLITAN AREA PLANNING COUNCIL METROBOSTON DATACOMMON
November 2008

1. **What are your key accomplishments since April 2008 (headlines)**

    - Research for and production of *Boston's Education Pipeline: A Report Card*. (See #2.)

    - Major progress on development of an open source data visualization consortium coordinated by a team at the University of Massachusetts-Lowell (that now includes several NNIP partners as well as the Boston Indicators Project/MAPC).

    - Production of quarterly "pipeline update reports" in Housing and the Economy to inform a forum of business and civic leaders in Metro Boston.

    - Planning for a conference in Boston in July 23009 with the OECD to explore the relationship between the use of data/indicators and significant social change.

    - Developed **MetroFuture Implementation Strategies** to implement the MetroFuture plan, strategies will be adopted formally by MAPC in December
    - Began to develop **regional indicators** to use to monitor progress towards achieving MetroFuture goals
    - Held a number of **MetroBoston DataCommon** training events launched a website newsletter, and added a number of new data layers. Layers from NNIP include HMDA, and Arts and Culture Indicators Project Data
    - Finished work on **MAPC Calendar and Annual Report**, which features 12 thematic regional maps
    - To prepare for **Census 2010**, co-sponsored an informational event for community leaders, worked with Media to get front page Globe story on undercounted populations, produced maps illustrating Census 2000 mail-in response rates
    - Fulfilled ongoing **data requests** for municipal employees, CDC staff, students, nonprofits.

2. **What important reports have you produced? What important data presentations have you delivered?**

    The Boston Indicators Project's primary focus for the better part of 2008 was in the developing *Boston's Education Pipeline: A Report Card*. This 120-page report includes inputs (risks and enrichment) and key outcomes from birth through formal schooling (Pre K – 16) and into the workforce. (It also includes a detailed Appendix with statistical and other characteristics about each of Boston's public Pre K – 12 schools.) The report is undergoing review by the City of Boston and will be released to the public in early December.

- "MetroFuture Regional Plan: Goals, Objectives and Draft Implementation Strategies" http://www.metrofuture.org/files_metrofuture/userfiles/file/MetroFuture%20Regional%20Plan%205_28_08.pdf
- Presented maps illustrating Census 2000 response rate data at Census 2010 preparation event, these maps can be found on the MetroBoston DataCommon.
- Census story in the Globe link can be found under the "What's New: Section of the DataCommon." http://www.metrobostondatacommon.org/html/new.htm#MCAS08
- Created Census 2010 fact sheet

3. What new analysis/program efforts are you working on?

- See above # 2 *Boston's Education Pipeline: A Report Card.*
- Good planning requires access to good data. MAPC's role is to collect and analyze regional data, make this data available to the public, while helping to analytic capacity at the local level. Users throughout the region and around the world can access information about MAPC communities through our ever-expanding website **www.MetroBostonDataCommon.org**. The "User Profiles" section of the website was expanded considerably in 2008 to document many different applications of the tool, and MAPC began distributing a monthly email newsletter highlighting new datasets and resources. MAPC also collaborated with local and national partners to secure funding for development of "Phase 2" of the Data Common. This next phase continues MAPC's fruitful partnership with the Boston Indicators Project and the Boston Foundation, to be developed with researchers at UMass Lowell, will use "open source" technology to add more powerful analysis tools for researchers and a more intuitive interface for novice users.

- MAPC responds to daily **data requests** from municipalities, organizations, individuals, and other state agencies. Communities and constituents can also contract with the Data Center for more exhaustive data collection, analysis, and mapping services. In 2008, the **Massachusetts School Building Authority** contracted with MAPC for analysis and consulting services, including an analysis of the impact of new schools on enrollment patterns. MAPC also hosted three successful **GIS training workshops** to provide municipal staff with a foundation of GIS concepts and techniques.

- MAPC will continue to develop cutting-edge planning and technology tools thanks to a recent grant from the Ford Foundation via the Environmental Simulation Center's **Human Development Overlay District** program (HDOD). This program seeks to create an integrated model for the delivery of social services, small business resources, and housing assistance to help create opportunities for residents and merchants who are often displaced from rapidly development neighborhoods. Working with the Asian Community Development Corporation, MAPC will focus on the Chinatown neighborhood of Boston as one of four HDOD pilot sites nationwide. MAPC will create a broad set of quantitative neighborhood indicators to see how residents and businesses are faring as development occurs. The project will also engage stakeholders through advanced planning tools and a storefront "Community Change Center."

- Since annual **US Census population estimates** have undercounted Massachusetts'

population in recent years, MAPC is collaborating with the Donahue Institute at UMass and the US Census Bureau to collect data that will enable more accurate counts. MAPC directly solicited municipal officials for up-to-date information about group quarters, housing construction, and demolition. MAPC is also helping municipalities to prepare for a complete and accurate count during the **2010 Federal Census**.

- MAPC is once again supporting the Executive Office of Transportation's **oblique aerial imagery** program, which procured high-altitude, low-resolution (8") aerial photography (both oblique and vertical views) of every municipality in the state in April 2008. MAPC distributes this imagery, installs the customized software that can be used to view it, and provides training and technical assistance to municipal staff. MAPC is also contracting for a Spring 2009 flyover of the region that will provide low-altitude, high-resolution (4") images for cities and towns wishing to acquire them.

- In 2008, MAPC completed a **public safety facility mapping tool** for the Northeast Homeland Security Regional Advisory Council (NERAC) and began training public safety officials to use the product. The tool shows the location of communications facilities and the type of equipment at each site, thereby helping to identify gaps in the network and to reduce redundancy. By incorporating aerial photographs and topographic information, the tool can assist with evacuation routing, search and rescue operations, and other public safety applications.

- Completed technical analysis of HUD's **Neighborhood Stabilizations Program** allocation formula, as well as a variety of other analysis of subprime lending and mortgage resets and foreclosures.

4. **Have you acquired new data (other than routine updates)? Have you completed any notable system or web site improvements? Please describe.**

- Downloaded and analyzed 2004, 2005, 2006, and 2007 statewide HMDA Loan Application Register.
- Other new datasets include: BLS Local Area unemployment statistics, HUD aggregated USPS address vacancy data, OFHEO house price index data, Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment Test data, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston Loan Performance mortgage delinquency and foreclosure data

5. **What upcoming events/activities (with dates) present an opportunity to showcase NNIP?**

The international conference mentioned above, #1.

We can highlight NNIP on our DataCommon Website. I have also posted NNIP documents and recommended NNIP as a resource for the other three pilot sites in the HDOD project.

Camden

CAMCONNECT
November 2008

- Successfully filled the Director position with Stephen Singer (the position was previously held by Derek Ziegler, who left at the end of August).

Chattanooga
OCHS CENTER FOR METROPOLITAN STUDIES
November 2008

1.   What are your key accomplishments since April 2008 (headlines)

- Community Research Council becomes the Ochs Center for Metropolitan Studies, unveils new website
  - http://www.timesfreepress.com/news/2008/aug/26/chattanooga-research-group-now-ochs-center-metropo/
- Ochs Center Report on Early Childhood – funded by a grant from the Annie E. Casey Foundation – finds that one in four Hamilton County kindergartners at risk for not being ready for school
  - http://www.timesfreepress.com/news/2008/aug/05/hamilton-county-one-four-kindergartners-not-ready-/

- Ochs Center releases first in a series of chapters for the 2008 State of Chattanooga Region Report – chapter focuses on Early Childhood
  - http://www.ochscenter.org/documents/SOCRR2008_earlychildhood.pdf

- Ochs Center's research on teacher recruitment subject of new initiative by Hamilton County Department of Education

- Ochs Center's needs assessment and budget analysis leads to approval of a new charter school for young women in Hamilton County

- Ochs Center to play lead role in the development of Federal crime policy as part of the Brookings Institution's Blueprint for American Prosperity
  - http://www.brookings.edu/projects/blueprint.aspx

2.   What important reports have you produced? What important data presentations have you delivered?

- School Readiness and Early Grade Success
  - http://www.ochscenter.org/documents/SchoolReadiness.doc

- Fiscal Impact of Land Use and Development in Hamilton County
  - http://www.ochscenter.org/documents/FiscalImpactsofLandUse.pdf

- 2008 State of Chattanooga Region Report: Early Childhood
  - http://www.ochscenter.org/documents/SOCRR2008_earlychildhood.pdf

- An Economic Analysis of the Proposed Development of May Town Center in Nashville
  - http://www.ochscenter.org/documents/May_Town_Center_Analysis.doc

- Economic Impact Analysis of Proposed Downtown Movie Theater

- Economic Impact Analysis and Survey on the Importance of Greenways in Chattanooga – project for Trust for Public Land

- Provided research support for the AIM Center, a psychiatric rehabilitation service provider, on current perceptions of the nonprofit among local mental health professionals and general perceptions of mental illness among community members

- Presentation of crime data at conference on crime prevention in Chattanooga, organized by State Senator Andy Berke:
  - http://www.ochscenter.org/documents/ChattanoogaCrime.ppt

3.   What new analysis/program efforts are you working on?

- Completion of 2008 State of Chattanooga Region Report series with reports on the environment, education, crime, housing, economics and demographics
- Mental Health and Criminal Justice in Hamilton County
- Food access and nutrition issues in the Chattanooga region
- National study on the role of 311 systems in improving local government performance, citizen satisfaction and citizen engagement
- Research on Economics and Environmental Issues
  - May Town Center Economic Impact
  - Economic Impact of Coal Fired Power Plant in Early County, GA

4.   Have you acquired new data (other than routine updates)? Have you completed any notable system or web site improvements? Please describe.

- New Website – clickable map with subregional data for Hamilton County:
  - www.ochscenter.org

- Data:
  - Foreclosure Data: Hamilton County, Address Level, 2006-2007
  - Birth Data: Hamilton County, Address Level, 2001-2006
  - Education Data: Hamilton County, Block Group Level, 2007

5. What upcoming events/activities (with dates) present an opportunity to showcase NNIP?

- 2009 Forum on Local Government Performance Measurement – Southeastern Results Network, Date: TBD
www.seresultsnetwork.org

Chicago

METROPOLITAN CHICAGO INFORMATION CENTER (MCIC)
November 2008

1.   What are your key accomplishments since April 2008 (headlines)

- MCIC conducted a web survey of Subscribers, receiving 212 responses. Results indicate that our public products are reaching appropriate audiences who appreciate and use them to further their public work. For the nearly 80,000 visitors to the website in the past year, MCIC's public purpose seems to be highly valued.

- Lan Luo, a doctoral student in Geography at University of Illinois – Champaign Urbana completed a 10-week MCIC James E. Mann Educational Internship where she focused on statistical approaches to MCIC's internal datasets in order to identify potential new areas for research.

- Implemented VPN (virtual personal network) for remote staff access to the MCIC intranet.

2.   What important reports have you produced? What important data presentations have you delivered?

All reports may be accessed online, at www.mcic.org.

- Jobs Wanted, Not Hiring – Employment Prospects Limited for Released Former Prisoners
- Holding Steady: Slow Growth Overall for Chicago Regional Businesses
- 2007 U.S. Census Figures Show Homeowners and Renters Share Housing Burden

Presentations

- ISF: Income Diversity in Chicago's Bronzeville & Chatham Neighborhoods
- Chicago Community Trust: PNC Neighborhood Tracking Report
- Chicago Jobs Council: Urban Institute Reentry Maps
- 2008 Spring Conference: IL State Microenterprise Initiative
- Chicago Mayor's Office of Workforce Development
- Community Indicators Consortium Conference – The Informal Arts
- Community Indicators Consortium Conference – Regional Indicators

3.   What new analysis/program efforts are you working on?

City of Chicago: Power Outage Event Notification and Tracking Bulletin Board
City of Chicago, Department of Environment (CDOE), and HBK Engineering, Inc. (HBK) are interested in expanding the current power outage paging notification system, which provides timely and adequate notification of a power outage event, to improve its process and tracking functionality efficiency. MCIC partnered with CDOE and HBK to develop a web-based Power Outage Event Notification and Tracking Bulletin Board System ("ENTB") to be used by CDOE to

explore and document automatic outage event logging and notification, to check events, view affected areas, view status reports, and track past events. System users will be in sync with the status of the outage, a critical factor in undertaking joint responses.

CCT Study of Older Adults

People who are 50 years of age and older are considered to be among the largest, healthiest, and best-educated population of American adults ever. Many of these people are on the verge of retirement and looking for ways to maintain meaningful work throughout their later years. They are also looking for ways to maintain social contacts while addressing important social problems and strengthening their communities. The Chicago Community Trust engaged MCIC to design and conduct a survey of 400 older adults (ages 55-70) to take a fresh look at opportunities to create more ways for older adults to utilize their expertise and talents to address needs of their communities through paid and unpaid work.

United Neighborhood Organization

The United Neighborhood Organization (UNO) works to engage Chicago's Latino community through grassroots organizing and programs in immigration, economic development, and leadership training. Its initiative to explore and prevent school crowding led UNO to MCIC for a series of maps that illustrate patterns in Latino population in Chicago in the context of public schools, public parks, and public libraries. These maps will inform UNO's future program and policy decisions under its school crowding work.

Chicago Housing Choice Voucher Program

Under the Chicago Housing Authority, the Chicago Housing Choice Voucher Program (CHAC, Inc.) provides rental assistance to low-income residents under the federal housing voucher program funded by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development. To assist CHAC. Inc. in learning more about its program participants, MCIC provided database services and identified the congressional district of all current voucher holders, including the district with the highest concentration of program participants. This information provides users with an advocacy tool when approaching representatives of high concentration districts.

Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning

As part of its comprehensive regional planning process, Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) has partnered with MCIC to evaluate data sets for viability as indicators that measure a wide range of critical issues affecting the region. CMAP will use the data and indicators identified and explored by MCIC to track change in the region, as well as create a scenario evaluation process to inform regional planning policy decisions. Building upon its previous work in community indicator development, MCIC identified and evaluated data sources for over 300 indicators for CMAP. These quantitative measures relate to a broad spectrum of regional themes, including housing, public health, safety and security, education, economic competitiveness, reinvestment, coordinate planning and government, and civic engagement.

4.　　Have you acquired new data (other than routine updates)? Have you completed any notable system or web site improvements? Please describe.

- Consolidated Federal Funds Report
- Public Employment Survey
- EPA Superfund Sites

- IL EPA "No Further Remediation" Letters
- IL Structure Information Management System – Bridges Database

5.   What upcoming events/activities (with dates) present an opportunity to showcase NNIP?

None planned at the moment.
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Cleveland

CENTER ON URBAN POVERTY AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT,
CASE WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY
November 2008

1.   What are your key accomplishments since April 2008 (headlines)

Pathways to Foreclosure report featured in Cleveland media (see below description).

Universal Pre-k study (Cuyahoga County) - we have begun the second wave of data collection following 200 3-4 years olds from preschool to kindergarten; trained observers are assessing the children using standardized measures; we will be examining to what extent the quality of the preschool setting is predictive of the child's development and school readiness

Primary Lead Prevention - completing enrollment of 125 families with infants in Cleveland whose home receive a low-cost lead abatement and the parent is trained to minimize the risk of lead; following the homes over 12 months, collecting dust wipe data and blood samples from the infants

2.   **What important reports have you produced? What important data presentations have you delivered?**

In June the Poverty Center released the report entitled "**Pathways to Foreclosure: A Longitudinal Study of Mortgage Loans, Cleveland and Cuyahoga County, 2005-2008**." This report used probabilistic matching techniques to match record level HMDA data with local administrative data on mortgages. The resulting dataset combined loan, lender, property, neighborhood, and borrower characteristics at the parcel level. These parcels were then traced forward to foreclosure filing and sheriff sale. It was showed that 82% of foreclosure filings in the study were from high cost loans. It was also shown that African Americans were more likely than whites to receive a high cost loan, regardless of income.

http://blog.case.edu/msass/2008/06/23/pathways_to_foreclosure.html

The reports Foreclosure and Beyond and Pathways to Foreclosure were presented at 3 of the 4 Federal Reserve Bank regional conferences series, "**Recovery, Renewal, and Rebuilding**", held in Los Angeles, CA, Columbus, OH, and St. Louis, MO. The presentations also included foreclosure prevention, foreclosure invention, and vacant property reclamation applications of NEO CANDO currently being implemented by community and government organizations.

http://stlouisfed.org/rrrseries/event2/Event2_Schramm.pdf
http://stlouisfed.org/rrrseries/event3/Event3_Coulton.pdf
http://www.stlouisfed.org/RRRseries/event4/Event4_Schramm.pdf

Other presentations featuring NEO CANDO and Poverty Center foreclosure research include:
- Furman Center, New York, NY, April 2008
- Cleveland + Pittsburgh + Youngstown Regional Learning Event, Youngstown, OH, June 2008
  http://www.regionallearningnetwork.org/
- Rebuild Ohio, Columbus, OH, August 2008
  http://www.urban.csuohio.edu/~nhlstu3/rebuildohio/html/forum.htm
- Ohio CDC Association, Toledo, OH, September 2008
  http://www.ohiocdc.org/pdffilesfordownload/2008_septconf.pdf
- Ford Foundation, Cleveland, OH, October 2008

Collins, C. C. (October 2008). How are children faring in this economy: A look at family homelessness. Keynote speaker. Public Information Forum: Help Me Grow of Cuyahoga County.

Collins, C. C., Coulton, C. J., & Kim, S., (June 2008). Family homelessness in Cuyahoga County. Paper presented at Sisters of Charity Foundation's Solutions for Family Homelessness: National Best Practices Forum; Cleveland, OH.

Fischer, R. L. (2008). In God we trust – all others bring data: Assessing the state of outcomes measurement for faith-based and community-based programming. White House National Faith-Based and Community Initiatives Conference on "Innovations in Effective Compassion." Washington, DC. June 26-27.

Cuyahoga County Child Well-being and Tracking Update - presents data on the status of children under age 6 in the county and reports on the scope and reach of the county's early childhood programming

3.   **What new analysis/program efforts are you working on?**

We are preparing a report with a draft title of "**Beyond REO.**" This report looks at the sales after sheriff sale for less than $10,000. In the Cleveland real estate market, many properties are being transfers out of REO departments in bulk, at auctions, etc to investors and speculators for rock bottom prices. We have found that on the east side of Cleveland, almost 80% of all transfers after REO have been for less than $10,000.

The Center is in the process of putting together a report that updates and summarizes our research findings on the foreclosure crisis with some best practice examples community and government organizations response. To tell the Cleveland story, Foreclosure counseling agencies, mediation efforts, land banking, rehabilitation initiatives, and other organizations and programs will be featured.

Home visiting study - we are now beginning enrollment of a cohort of 150 families with an infant commencing home visiting services at three agencies; we will conduct an in-home interview at baseline and six months and assess the home environment; in spring 2009, we will be enrolling an additional cohort of families that are served using a different

service model and collecting baseline and 6 mo data; this will be a comparison of the current model to a modified model

School readiness – we have completed a scan of the system in Cuyahoga County that works on the promotion of school readiness and are now completing a policy brief that looks at the differences across neighborhoods in respect to need, service levels, and school outcomes; the next step will be to host a community forum on school readiness late this year or early 2009

4.   Have you acquired new data (other than routine updates)? Have you completed any notable system or web site improvements? Please describe.

We have enhanced our user login capabilities and ability to track users. To not interfere with out mission to democratize data we have tried to make our login as easy and straightforward as possible for users. We are using self-registration, cookies to remember usernames and passwords, as well as a web form to instantaneously reset the password via email.

Cuyahoga County Recorder data are now being received on a weekly basis. This dataset complements other weekly NEO CANDO sources that include Sheriff's Auctions and Foreclosure Filings. By November 2008, Users of NEO CANDO will be able to access ownership, mortgages, mortgage satisfaction, mortgage assignments, tax liens, and tax lien releases updated within 8 days of a transaction at most.

New cross tabulations of HMDA variables are now available to NEO CANDO users. We have incorporated all of Dataplace's HMDA variables as well as others. HMDA breakdown by race was previously not available in NEO CANDO.

The Poverty Center is involved in incorporating geocoding standards and collaboration between the city, county, other universities, and state agencies. This process is beginning with State of Ohio birth and death data. The birth certificate geocodes are shared so everyone can enhance the matches. This analysis raises the question of the quality receiving data that is already geocoded.

Child Well-Being Municipal Fact Sheets – created two-page summary of indicators of child and family well-being for all the 58 municipalities in Cuyahoga County; made available through the NEO CANDO website

5.   What upcoming events/activities (with dates) present an opportunity to showcase NNIP?

Columbus

COMMUNITY RESEARCH PARTNERS (CRP)
November 2008

1. **What are your key accomplishments since April 2008 (headlines)**

We placed all our data tools – DataSource, Community Indicators, Research Clearinghouse
- under one website: http://www.communityresearchpartners.org/datatools/. People can
use the Research Clearinghouse to review existing research on a particular topic,
Community Indicators to see the analysis that CRP has already done, and DataSource
to conduct their own analysis.

Following our work on "The Real Bottom Line" (see #2 below), CRP is participating in
Governor Strickland's Ohio Anti-Poverty Task Force, in particular the work groups on
Self-Sufficiency Pathways and on Benchmarks and Measures.
http://www.governor.ohio.gov/Projects/AntiPovertyTaskForce/tabid/689/Default.aspx

2. **What important reports have you produced? What important data presentations
    have you delivered?**

We produced "The Real Bottom Line: The State of Poverty in Ohio 2008" for the Ohio
Association of Community Action Agencies. The analysis included a literature review,
data analysis, focus groups, and case studies to provide an in-depth picture of poverty in
Ohio, including a new layer of poverty that has resulted from economic changes and
conditions.

We produced the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing and Fair Housing Action Plan for
the City of Columbus and Franklin County. The foreclosure and credit crisis was one of
the key topics in this plan, namely in its disproportionate impact on minority and low-
income households. The plan is in the final stages of formal approval or adoption by the
city and county.
http://www.communityresearchpartners.org/14651.cfm?action=detail&id=120

We have been providing technical support to the Franklin County Foreclosure Working
Group since June 2008, through the funding of Community Enterprise Partners
Columbus. The Foreclosure Working Group is issuing an advisory plan to guide city and
county officials on strategy options for different types of neighborhoods impacted by
foreclosure. Leading into this project, CRP also prepared analysis for the Franklin
County Foreclosure Summit. The maps and analysis from this summit have been widely
circulated and referenced.

3. **What new analysis/program efforts are you working on?**

On the program side, we were recently authorized by our Board of Directors to join the UMass/MICo-Viz consortium, which will help us in developing the next generation of DataSource.

We are in the midst of a study for the Columbus Department of Development to investigate the fiscal impact of vacant and abandoned properties in Columbus neighborhoods. The study will analyze relative levels of city service demands and tax losses in seven priority neighborhoods, accounting for demand/loss attributable to vacant and abandoned properties as feasible.

We are in the midst of a study of Central Ohio's creative economy, which includes secondary data analysis and an online survey of creative businesses and organizations (to be available on November 10). We have made efforts to generate awareness about the project to ensure high levels of survey participation. One example of this is a Facebook page for the project: http://www.facebook.com/pages/Creative-Columbus/32171859488

We are starting work on a profile of girls in Central Ohio, covering themes such as health, education, and risk behavior. This analysis presents a challenge in the limitations of data at the intersection of gender, age, and localized geography.

We have begun work on the 2009 edition of Benchmarking Central Ohio. This will be the report's third edition, with approximately 60 social, economic, and community indicators. Previous editions can be found here: http://communityresearchpartners.org/14651.cfm?action=detail&id=119

4. Have you acquired new data (other than routine updates)? Have you completed any notable system or web site improvements? Please describe.

We have acquired the following data for various projects:
- Auditor data on 2.5% tax reduction (proxy for property-based owner-occupancy)
- Sheriff's sale data, directly from Sheriff's Department
- Existing loan characteristics data (i.e. high rate mortgages, ARM and balloon loans)
- Rental price survey results from The Danter Company
- FIRSTLINK 2-1-1 call and referral database for FY's 2007 and 2008
- ESRI demographic and business data (2005/2010, looking to purchase newer data)

(See #1 regarding web site improvements).

5. What upcoming events/activities (with dates) present an opportunity to showcase NNIP?

Dallas
INSTITUTE FOR URBAN POLICY RESEARCH (IUPR) AT UT DALLAS
November 2008

1.   What are your key accomplishments since April 2008 (headlines)

   o The Williams Institute has transitioned and is now the Institute for Urban Policy Research (IUPR) at UT Dallas.
   o IUPR received a 3 year National Science Foundation grant to gather data on neighborhood changes as it relates to new transportation centers in a low income neighborhood in Dallas.
   o IUPR held its annual Williams Institute conference which brought together over 500 community residents, business leaders and stakeholders to discuss and take steps to address wholeness in the City of Dallas. This year, the conference created the space for content sponsors to present on how their work is addressing wholeness.
   o IUPR held 2 dialogue series discussions on ways to democratize research to community leaders and stakeholders.
   o IUPR organized a movie documentary showing and dialogue about Trouble the Waters, a documentary that highlights inequity as it relates impact Katrina had on New Orleans
   o Established a Community Engagement arm of the Institute

2.   What important reports have you produced? What important data presentations have you delivered?

   o The 2008 Wholeness report was released in October.
   o Presentation of Neighborhood Indicators Program, City of San Antonio community development conference by Dr. Tim Bray, IUPR Director
   o Democratizing Research, Cook Children's Hospital, Ft Worth, TX by Robert Rooks, IUPR Director of Community Engagement
   o Information Sharing for Philanthropists, Communities Foundation of Texas, Dallas, Tx by Dr. Tim Bray, IUPR Director

3.   What new analysis/program efforts are you working on?

   • The Institute is working to gear much of its efforts to community engagement. The Institute is working tirelessly to answer the call: "what do we do once the research is done?"
   • The Institute's Community Engagement arm is working with local neighborhood organizations to address inequity on a number of issues, and they are
      o a lack of grocery stores in South Dallas and the high prices of items sold in South Dallas grocery stores.

4.   Have you acquired new data (other than routine updates)? Have you completed any notable system or web site improvements? Please describe.

- Environmental scan- a qualitative study designed assess community assets, strengths
- Fire department structured fires data
- Characteristics of Birth and death data at the zip code level
- Statement of income data
- Voter level turnout data from last 40 elections
- Billing and illness information for every person discharged from hospital
- Summary of deposit data from fdic
- OASDI data on social security disbursements at the zip code level
- Building and demolition permits
- Sales tax return data

5.   What upcoming events/activities (with dates) present an opportunity to showcase NNIP?

Denver

THE PITON FOUNDATION
November 2008

1.   What are your key accomplishments since April 2008 (headlines)

Piton hosted a Community Forum on the School Readiness of Denver's Neighborhoods (www.piton.org)

As part of the cross-site initiative examining school readiness as part of the Annie E. Casey Foundation/NNIP grant program, Piton partnered with the Denver Early Childhood Council to host a community forum. The school readiness brief was presented and discussions were conducted around the role of data to inform decision making and policy change and the implications for DECC and community stake-holders. Participants included representatives from local government, funding organizations, early education organizations, various service providers and the local school district.

2.   What important reports have you produced? What important data presentations have you delivered?

What parents Want: A Survey of the Preschool Preferences of Denver Households

The Piton Foundation worked with a research firm to conduct a survey in March 2008 where households were asked what they value when selecting a preschool program (with 700 households participating).   The goal of the research was to learn more about family preferences to ensure that preschools are designed to best serve their students. This publication reports on the findings of the study, including five key factors impacting parental preschool preferences in Denver.

Are Denver's Communities Ready for Kids?

As part of the cross-site initiative examining school readiness as part of the Annie E. Casey Foundation/NNIP grant program, this brief uses available data to compare circumstances of children in Denver's low-income neighborhoods with those in other neighborhoods to describe the key barriers to school readiness for low-income children. This publication was presented at a Community Forum in October.

ESTART Validation Study

The Early Childhood Standards Assessment of Readiness Tool (ESTART) is intended to inform classroom teachers' instruction and to be a measure of whether and to what extent individual preschool children are benefiting from new standards for early education. This study examines the reliability and validity of (ESTART), which is currently used with 1,100 children in 15 preschool agencies in Denver. Overall, the study results were positive, but suggest the revision of the ESTART in a number of areas, particularly the literacy domain.

The Piton Perspective: Denver Expands Preschool Options
The Piton Perspective is a regularly issued newsletter that highlights topics of Foundation research and involvement. This particular issue describes various local efforts to increase quality preschool options for Denver families, as well as Foundation research on the demand for preschool services in Denver.

Note: All publications can be accessed on our website at www.piton.org

3. What new analysis/program efforts are you working on?

School Readiness and Success Initiative

As part of the school readiness and early school success initiative, Piton produced a publication and hosted a community forum to encourage discussions of the role of data and to bring together stakeholders in the local community of school readiness. These efforts have initiated interest in collaboration around the analysis of service provision and policies on various domains within school readiness.

Piton works with local organizations on neighborhood Vital Signs Project

Piton has been working with a local community organizing group as part of a team to build a web-based tool called Vital Signs to assist local neighborhood groups in presenting, collecting and analyzing data for community defined indicators. The group is hosting a Learning Exchange for local communities in November at which the tool and concepts related to community defined issues and the collection of data in order to track outcomes will be presented and discussed.

DPS Employee Compensation: the Role of Pension Benefits.

Piton has been working on the issue of reforming the Denver Public School (DPS) employee compensation and retirement program in order to recruit and retain educators as demographic and social trends have changed.

School Capacity Analysis.

Piton is working with the newly formed Get Smart Schools initiative to examine the level of facility capacity within several of metro Denver's school districts. The initiative was organized to improve school facility planning across the area. Recently, a web-based school capacity mapping application is in development that will provide a tool for the examination and analysis of school/facility capacity and current enrollment in order to help inform decision making on the provision of education services and the need or potential for locating new schools.

Colorado School Choice Web-application.

Through a partnership with the Rocky Mountain News, Piton is developing a new website that will allow parents to evaluate local schools based on several criteria (performance,

demographics, etc) to make more informed decisions on where to send their children. This is an exciting opportunity to work with a major local newspaper and, assuming it goes well, could open the door more joint projects in the future.

Colorado Education Data Consortium.

Modeled after successful efforts in Chicago and North Carolina, Piton is partnering with several local research organizations, the University of Colorado-Denver and the Colorado Department of Education to develop a data consortium. The consortium will have broad access to student level data sets that were previously difficult to acquire. Further the consortium will create a new environment for collective research around public education issues in the state.

4.   Have you acquired new data (other than routine updates)? Have you completed any notable system or web site improvements? Please describe.

- Post-secondary data
  Denver Public Schools (DPS) completer/graduation data, with additional student data (race/ethnicity, income status, and number of 'advanced' credits)
  Colorado Department of Higher Education, data on number of DPS students enrolled in Colorado colleges
  National Student Clearinghouse (NSC), data on number of DPS graduates enrolled in any college nationally, the number of transfers between colleges, and the number of degrees obtained.
- Denver voter turnout data by precinct for the 2004 general election
- Capacity data for select metro area school district facilities.

5.   What upcoming events/activities (with dates) present an opportunity to showcase NNIP?

None come to mind. However, in 2009, we plan to spend more time and resources on outreach activities and will keep our ears and eyes open.

Des Moines

CHILD AND FAMILY POLICY CENTER
November 2008

1. What are your key accomplishments since April 2008 (headlines)

CFPC completed a Polk County Health Chartbook that is being used extensively in planning activities through the Polk County Department of Health. It includes both county-level and neighborhood-level data and showcases some of the specific prior work that has been conducted at the neighborhood level.

CFPC also did some geomapping in Cedar Rapids of the flooded areas and tied these to census data and some administrative data to show that low-income families were particularly affected by the flooding and that a variety of services they depend upon (such as child care) were also disrupted. CFPC was able to focus attention on the needs of low-income families as the state began planning its rebuilding efforts.

The Annie E. Casey Foundation has decided to change Des Moines designation from a Making Connections site to a targeted opportunity site, so the future of the Local Learning Partnership work is in doubt. While CFPC's relationships with United Way of Central Iowa is strong, it is not clear how much United Way of Central Iowa step in to retain the current LLP activities.

2. What important reports have you produced? What important data presentations have you delivered?

In addition to the Polk County Chartbook, CFPC has produced several reports for the Des Moines Community School district and provided specific recommendations regarding future student records data collection that would enable more effective longitudinal analysis of students participating in preschool programs.

CFPC also produced a detailed report on Des Moines' innovative summer learning program to serve as a transition to kindergarten.

3. What new analysis/program efforts are you working on?

CFPC is awaiting some determination of how the LLP work will be continued before making any decisions on new program analysis.

4. Have you acquired new data (other than routine updates)? Have you completed any notable system or web site improvements? Please describe.

None, although we did establish new memoranda of agreement for both health record data (our prior memorandum was time limited) and corrections data.

5. What upcoming events/activities (with dates) present an opportunity to showcase NNIP?

Grand Rapids

COMMUNITY RESEARCH INSTITUTE, GRAND VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY
November 2008

1. **What are your key accomplishments since April 2008 (headlines)**
2. **What important reports have you produced? What important data presentations have you delivered?**

   - **Data Brief Update on Foreclosures:** in partnership with the Dyer-Ives Foundation and the Grand Rapids Community Foundation, CRI completed a data update on foreclosures for the period of Jan – Jun 2008. We now provide 4 ½ years of foreclosure data to cities and neighborhoods in Kent County. We are also expanding our analysis to provide status of foreclosed properties including properties that have been redeemed, resold, or remain real estate owned. Data brief updates can be found at http://cridata.org/

   - **Kent County Tax Credit Coalition:** In partnership with the Heart of West Michigan United Way, CRI provided online application and technical support for collecting demographic and tax information for clients served by each of the 20 VITA sites. The total amount reported during the 2008 tax season was $6,694,635 and 6,760 clients. A report and community presentations were given to local partners. The local coalition has done 4 years of data collection and has requested our support for the 5th year. Information has been actively used to setup new VITA site in Kent County, funding and marketing strategies.

3. **What new analysis/program efforts are you working on?**

   - **West Michigan Regional Indicators:** the regional indicators project, now in its third year, produces a set of 15 social, economic, and environmental indicators. The report is produced by the West Michigan Strategic Alliance in partnership with the Community Research Institute, the Annis Water Resources Institute, the W.E. Upjohn Institute for Employment Research, and The Delta Strategy. The new report will be released during the State of the Region address in April, 2009. More information at http://wm-alliance.org.

   - **Local Foreclosure Collaboration:** CRI is actively involved in providing technical and data support to local non-profit groups, foundations, and government. Groups include the Grand Rapids and Kent County Foreclosure Response group (http://www.foreclosureresponse.org/), an information and service referral hub for homeowners and renters affected by foreclosures. We are also engaged with local government units in their efforts to implement HUD – Neighborhood Stabilization Funds.

   - **Housing Affordability in West Michigan:** in partnership with the Grand Rapids Coalition to End Homelessness, CRI documenting the availability of practical data to be used in assessing the need for and supply of affordable housing in West Michigan. The project includes working with Center for Neighborhood

Technologies to extend the Housing and Transportation Affordability Index to counties in West Michigan.

- **Kent County Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition:** CRI has been supporting this local multi-stakeholder effort with: (1) technical assistance in the development of research based conceptual framework for the collection, management, and interpretation of neighborhood and community indicators related to substance abuse (including risk/protective factors, prevalence, and consequences/burdens); (2) development of a customized, metadata-driven web application, (built on a Twiki platform) for searching, managing, and collaborating on indicator data; and (3) data analysis using local data sources to populate the site with relevant data analyses.

- **School Performance:** CRI is conducting an analysis extending Standard & Poor's methodology to examine risk-adjusted performance indicators of schools in the Grand Rapids Public School System.

- **School Dropouts and Out-of-School Youth:** in this Mott Foundation grant, CRI is collaborating with the Kent Intermediate School District, the Grand Rapids Public School, and the Grand Rapids Community Foundation on research to examine risk factors for school dropouts in local communities and approaches for both preventing dropouts and enticing out-of-school youth back into the education system.

- **Aligning Forces for Quality (Robert Wood Johnson Foundation):** CRI is partnering with Alliance for Health to provide local research and data to support the initiative's efforts to reduce racial disparities in health care in Western Michigan region.

- **Green Grand Rapids:** CRI was selected to develop the Green Grand Rapids online mapping system. This project is a citywide green infrastructure master plan process that will focus on quality of life and the physical development of community infrastructure as it relates to greening, connectivity, natural systems, the Grand River, recreation and public health. Read more about this project at: http://www.ci.grand-rapids.mi.us/index.pl?page_id=7074.

- **Grand Rapids Juvenile Offense Index (GRJOI):** in partnership with the Grand Rapids Police Department and the City of Grand Rapids – Our Community's Children, CRI is producing year two of the GRJOI. This initiative provides a standardized measure for neighborhoods on the number of juveniles involved in criminal and non-criminal offenses, types of offenses, time, age, and the proportion of offenses committed outside the juvenile's neighborhood place of residence.

- **Gang Violence Project:** in partnership with the Doug and Maria DeVos Foundation, CRI is conducting an exploratory analysis on gang activity in the City of Grand Rapids. The project is intended to: (1) assess the quality and potential uses of the county's JailView data system to inform community prevention and intervention efforts; (2) assess the extent of the youth gang problem in the city;

and (3) and provide demographic and socio-economic information on youth gang-related members.

- **Community Data Services:** as part of its mission, CRI provides general data and mapping support to nonprofit and neighborhood groups, educational institutions, and other organizations.

4. **Have you acquired new data (other than routine updates)? Have you completed any notable system or web site improvements? Please describe.**

System and web site improvements:

- **MAPAS – a project of the Community Research Institute:** in partnership with the Dyer-Ives Foundation and the Grand Rapids Community Foundation, CRI released the beta version of its online mapping system. MAPAS provides data on a variety of levels including customized geographies. It allows the user to save or share the work with other users. MAPAS uses Placebase Pushpin API technology. Check out our tool at http://cridata.org/mapas.

- **Servers Migration:** CRI with the support of the University's technology department will be migrating to a newer and better server environment. Lots of work but excited to provide a safer and more secure environment for datasets we host

5. **What upcoming events/activities (with dates) present an opportunity to showcase NNIP?**

- **Local Community Presentations:** CRI often reference our relationship with NNIP on a variety of community meetings and presentations.

Hartford
November 2008

Coming soon

Indianapolis
THE POLIS CENTER
November 2008

1.   What are your key accomplishments since April 2008 (headlines)

- Founding an IUPUI Signature Center for Health Geographics for which SAVI will be a key source of community contextual information for public health and medical researchers.

- Partnership with the Indiana Clinical and Translational Sciences Institute (CTSI) Community Health Engagement Program (CHEP). The Indiana CTSI was recently established via a $25 million award from NIH. SAVI community-based organizations data is to be used to connect clinical translational researchers with community organizations for community-based participatory research (CBPR).

- Development and delivery of a prototype SAVI geocoding web service to Regenstrief Institute, an internationally recognized informatics and healthcare research organization, for them to test as their future means for geocoding incoming patient records by x and y coordinates and other geographic units (such as neighborhood, block group, etc.) – which will allow contextual neighborhood data to be linked to patient records (when IRB-approved to do so) for public health research purposes. Regenstrief maintains one of the nation's first electronic medical record systems.

2.   What important reports have you produced? What important data presentations have you delivered?

- May 12 presentation at the Indiana Public Health Association meeting – *"Using Technology to Inform Public Health Solutions in our Communities", Presenter: Karen Comer*

- SAVI Connections Newsletters: http://www.savi.org/savii/about/news.aspx
    1. Exploring Subprime Lending Patterns
    2. Unveiling the new SAVI custom communities tool
    3. Introducing the new SAVI training program

Developed a school-based report card (8th Grade Health Behavior and Knowledge Profile) to communicate findings in our health knowledge assessment project to school and community leaders. It compares the school to other schools in the community, as well as state and national measures, including Health Behaviors and Health Status, Health Knowledge, Neighborhood Factors, and Suggested Intervention Strategies

3.   What new analysis/program efforts are you working on?

- Proposing use of SAVI to assist with the development of a Healthy Communities Planning Model for Indianapolis (NIH proposal)

▪ Proposing use of SAVI for the investigation of the relationships between built environment, disabling factors, and food behaviors in Marion County, Indiana (NIH proposal).

▪ Proposing using of SAVI as an information aid for a community-based participatory research project focused on designing interventions to promote mammogram screening (NIH proposal)

▪ Incorporating social media tools within SAVI to engage youth, residents, and organizations in participatory learning.

4.   Have you acquired new data (other than routine updates)? Have you completed any notable system or web site improvements? Please describe.

New Data Acquired
- Building Permits (1990 – 2007) – point locations of all residential and commercial permits
- Non-profit database – point location of every non-profit in Marion county categorized by the National Taxonomy of Exempt Entities (NTEE) classification system
- Sheriff sales (2006-2007) – point locations
- Library circulation by library branch
- Voter participation by precinct
- Voter registration by address

New Data Published on www.savi.org
- American Community Survey Data 2005 – including the calculation and display of margins of error in tables, charts, and maps
- Parcel-level property data (2002-2006) – sales and taxes (assessment data not published to public site yet)
- Adult UCR Crime Data (2003 - 2007) – 2007 data represent an expanded service area to include a majority of the county
- Vital Statistics (1990 – 2003) from Indiana State Dept of Health - expanded to include county-level data for 10 counties surrounding Indianapolis
- Child Obesity Survey data (2005 county-level only) from Marion County Health Department
- ZIP Codes 2007 - New reporting geography
- Zip Code Tabulation Areas 2000 - New reporting geography
- Primary Care Service Areas - New reporting geography

Web enhancements on www.savi.org
- New Data Download tool that allows you to download large tables of data by user-specified categories, geographies, and dates: http://www.savi.org/savii/comm_data/default.aspx?active=download
- Advanced Interactive Mapping allows users to customize their map displays by controlling colors, line thickness, and symbols.

- We added a Frequently Asked Questions page which can be found online at
  http://www.savi.org/savii/support/FAQ.aspx

Training
- Implemented new Training program. The goal of the SAVI education program is to build the capacity of local organizations to use information effectively and to increase awareness of SAVI and its potential uses. The revamped program goes beyond the basic how-to approach to one that provides tangible examples and demonstrations of how SAVI can be used to address common information needs. More specifically, new activities will focus on using SAVI for strategic planning, program planning, community assessments, and grant applications. We will develop new topic-oriented and tool-oriented workshops tailored to the information needs of human service and community-based organizations and new on-line user guides to help organizations use the website to answer their specific questions. It also includes a new certification program that allows users to become SAVI-Trained Professionals (trained in how to use the tools and data) and SAVI-Trained Practitioners (trained in practical applications of the data and tools to address local issues).

- Conducted our first webinars – a new training option for our users

5.   What upcoming events/activities (with dates) present an opportunity to showcase NNIP?

- Annual SAVI Users Conference – April 2009 – Using Local Data to Measure and Evaluate Community Change

Los Angeles

Center for Neighborhood Knowledge, UCLA
November 2008

Coming soon

Louisville
COMMUNITY RESOURCE NETWORK
November 2008

Coming soon

Memphis
MEMPHIS CBANA-INFOWORKS
November 2008

1.   What are your key accomplishments since April 2008 (headlines)
The Center for Community Building and Neighborhood Action (CBANA) at the University of Memphis announces our new academic affiliation with the department of City & Regional Planning, as we continue to be part of the School of Urban Affairs & Public Policy.

CBANA and the Division of City & Regional Planning at the University of Memphis announce a new partnership with United Housing, Inc, Habitat for Humanity, the Poplar Foundation, local government, and a growing list of commercial bankers and realtors to provide foreclosure analysis, GIS mapping, and technical support for a project titled "**First HOMES**." This project aims to help stabilize the market and provide new ownership opportunities and wrap-around homeownership support for Memphians who have lost homes to foreclosure by tapping newly available federal funds earmarked for relief to finance the wholesale acquisition of REO properties. Acquisition strategy and geographic concentrations are data-driven, using information collected in the city wide problem property audit, Neighborhood by Neighbor (described below). This project is in its infancy, with CBANA's partnership secured October 1; committees are forming, leadership emerging, data is being analyzed and best practices reviewed.

CBANA and Community Development Council of Greater Memphis partner to produce a **Lending Study of Shelby County** annually; our analysis of 2007 was released in June of this year. This report disseminates HMDA and local housing market data, reported on the county, census tract, neighborhood and "zone" levels.   The technical manual that supports this study includes loan performance and foreclosure information by all geographies mentioned, plus provides loan performance indexed by lender. This report is used by the Council to drive local and regional anti-foreclosure interventions and influence the allocation of relief funds.

CBANA, the Center for Community Criminology, and the Southeast Memphis Community Development Corporation partner with Shelby County and the Memphis Police Department to launch "**Operation Safeways**," a US Department of Justice-sponsored crime prevention and law enforcement intervention project targeting apartment complexes in southeast Memphis known to be crimogenic. This project uses local data to drive law enforcement analysis and youth and family support interventions. Most recently the Safeways team partnered with MPD's Domestic Assault Response Team and the Memphis Area Women's Council to develop curriculum and strategy for the coordination of advocate resources in targeted apartment complexes with high rates of domestic violence. This on-site social service delivery helps to mitigate some of the obstacles most people face when seeking help.

CBANA, the Problem Properties Collaborative, and the City of Memphis Division of Housing and Community Development is pleased to have launched "**Neighborhood by Neighbor**: A City-Wide Problem Property Audit" in February of this year. Data collection began in March, and to date we've surveyed 56% (most all of which in the inner-city) of all residential parcels. Using cutting edge technology, this survey is administered and

organized by CBANA research staff paired with neighborhood leaders and residents. These survey teams collect information and photograph properties in violation of our city's anti-blight housing code (as defined in a 2 hour training curriculum). The resulting database is designed to power HCD's neighborhood revitalization strategy and populate a multi-agency "early warning system" for code enforcement and other city services. Neighborhood level data is analyzed and shared with each participating stakeholder, who may use these products in seeking compliance through civil court, in advocacy on behalf of their neighborhoods, or for grant applications. As public policy is leveraged towards providing relief funds to help stabilize real estate markets and mortgage lending, this database is in urgent and high demand.

CBANA and the Division of City & Regional Planning at the University of Memphis are pleased to announce a new partnership with the Community Foundation of Greater Memphis, a local developer and three CDCs on "**Project Build-UP**." This project seeks to build capacity within the three CDCs, whose service areas abut and stretch through the heart of midtown on a parallel that includes three institutions of higher learning. The three areas, when merged, form a large "college corridor," and this group proposes to designate this area as such, a planning district, and develop a comprehensive plan that connects campuses and stabilizes neighborhoods. This new project lifted off September 15; baseline data is being collected and analyzed.

CBANA continues our work with Partners in Public Education (PIPE) and Leadership Memphis, organizing and training community stakeholder teams for ten topical indicator domains in the evolving "**Information Commons**" indicators system. Drill down and parcel-level emphasis will be powered by CBANA ("InfoWorks Memphis" component) and "compare up" (peer cities) will be offered using PIPE's "dashboard" technology. CBANA and partners continue fundraising efforts while we simultaneously research and collect domain data.

CBANA and the University of Memphis Center for Research on Women continue our partnership with the Governor's Office of Children's Care Coordination, the Shelby County Infant Mortality Initiative, and the March of Dimes to develop data-driven interventions and evaluate outcomes for the newly implemented "**Community Voice**" project. This project is a county-wide intervention aimed at better birth outcomes, with special emphasis on address level outcomes for neighborhood level intervention.

CBANA announces the launch of our **county-wide asset-mapping project**, in partnership with Department of Childrens Services and other stakeholders. This working group began indexing data sources and community assets last month, and will proceed with identifying resources and developing neighborhood level interventions for DCS clients, with a more broad aim of including all identifiable assets in our "dashboard" as we identify and forge relationships with new collaborators. In this role, CBANA has accepted a position on the Tennessee Commission on Children and Youth Asset Mapping Advisory Board.

2.   What important reports have you produced? What important data presentations have you delivered?

"*Neighborhoods: The Blameless Victims of the Sub Prime Mortgage Crisis."* This panel discussion was hosted by the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Domestic Policy Subcommittee in May of this year. CBANA was called upon to testify, confirming a national trend of neighborhood decline as a direct result of foreclosure. A full transcript may be accessed through our website: http://cbana.memphis.edu/testimony.php

"American Murder Mystery." This Atlantic Monthly article by Hanna Rosen, published in the July/August 2008 issue, uses data and analysis produced by CBANA to open and rejuvenate a national dialogue about poverty, crime and housing. This article, while not a thorough or altogether accurate portrayal of our findings, continues to inspire blog entries, newsletter, and newspaper and journal articles nationwide. The article may be accessed through the Atlantic website: http://www.theatlantic.com/doc/200807/memphis-crime .
Our critique and response may be accessed through our's:
http://cbana.memphis.edu/news.php

CBANA designed and taught a NeighborWorks Training Institute course in May of this year. Our module, *neighborhood revitalization in a "post-subprime, post-foreclosure" environment,* is informed by findings and concepts from analysis of local data in a Memphis Shelby County case study.

"Understanding Foreclosure and Strengthening Housing Markets in a Post-Subprime Environment: Memphis Neighborhood Housing Markets Modeling." This presentation emphases the use of local data to drive understanding and interventions. Presented at:
- "Connecting Communities" symposium, The Brookings Institution Urban Markets Initiative, Oct 2007;
- Federal Reserve Memphis Branch Community Development Symposium, January 2008;
- NeighborWorks America Training Institute mini-seminar, February 2008.
This presentation may be accessed through our website:
http://cbana.memphis.edu/presentations.php

"Leveraging Case Management Strategies in a Post-Public Housing Environment in Memphis: Lessons from 'Neighborhood Effects' Evaluation of HOPE VI." This presentation focuses on the re-clustering of poverty and crime in erstwhile middle class neighborhoods. Presented to Memphis HOPE and the Women's Foundation, City of Memphis, and Memphis Police Department. October 2007.

Foreclosure and Neighborhood Housing Markets in Shelby County. This presentation establishes a foreclosure typology, discusses how and why neighborhood clustering of foreclosure types occurs, and stresses the need to customize interventions.
Presented to Mayor AC Wharton's "Real Estate Trends" Symposium, March 2007.

CBANA and The Urban Child Institute delivered our initial "**SCAN**" of findings from the NNIP Casey cross-site school-readiness project.

Presented to local government officials, community leaders and other key stakeholders involved in child health or welfare, April 2008.

3.　　　What new analysis/program efforts are you working on?

CBANA is again partnering with the Memphis Area Women's Council and Tennessee Economic Council on Women to produce an employment-transportation network analysis using Local Employment Dynamics database for their workforce development initiative.

CBANA is collaborating with the University of Tennessee Preventive Medicine department on baseline analysis of neighborhood effects for their cohort study (*n* = 1500) of mothers and children 0-3. We are currently preparing an NIH proposal to further this study.

4. Have you acquired new data (other than routine updates)? Have you completed any notable system or web site improvements? Please describe.

CBANA is partnering with the Federal Reserve to access and evaluate zip code level data from the First American Loan Performance Database for Metropolitan Memphis (December 2007 data).

CBANA has constructed and populated (@ 56%) a database of all problem residential properties in the city. This information will be overlaid with 2007 and 2008 foreclosure information and ownership, tax arrears and sales history data collected from the public record to establish blight and vacancy levels for each neighborhood in the city.   This data may now be accessed on our password protected SDE server, where community partners and local housing officials can log in to view, analyze or edit audits by street or neighborhood name.

CBANA has constructed and maintains a website designed to solicit participation in our city wide problem property audit, Neighborhood-by-Neighbor. A real-time progress map informs readers where we've surveyed and what's left to do. Volunteers and organizations can register to participate online. Our URL: http://memphisneighborhoodsurvey.org. Contact information for organizations not fully formed or in their infancy is forwarded to the city's office of Community Affairs, who will contact each grassroots organization and offer technical assistance with registering their community-based organization with the secretary of state.

CBANA has updated our own website to reflect current faculty, staff and intern information, as well as hosting reports, presentations and data for public dissemination. Most notable is the searchable/sortable nature of our most recent Lending Study of Shelby County. Our URL: http://cbana.memphis.edu

4.   Have you acquired new data (other than routine updates)? Have you completed any notable system or web site improvements? Please describe.

5.   What upcoming events/activities (with dates) present an opportunity to showcase NNIP?

How about looking into some kind of exposure during NeighborWorks America quarterly training institutes?

The Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis is currently planning *Exploring Innovation: A Conference on Community Development* for April 22-24, 2009 at the Chase Park Plaza in St. Louis*.* The conference will focus on "Innovation in Changing Times." CBANA has submitted a proposal to present our data protocol and findings from Neighborhood-by-Neighbor, and will highlight our affiliation with NNIP if selected.

Miami

THE CHILDREN'S TRUST
November 2008

1.   What are your key accomplishments since April 2008 (headlines)
- In June, released the report *"Putting the Pieces Together For Our Children," a Child Well- Being Report of Community Indicators in Miami-Dade County 2008*.

This report is a multi-year trend analysis report developed by The Children's Trust in collaboration with the Urban Institute and Child Trends. It provides the most comprehensive record to data of our community's needs, disparities and trends. This information-rich document examines 37 selected indicator areas related to Community and Family Characteristics, Child Health and Healthcare, Child Safety, Early Childhood Education and Development, Youth Behavior and Development, and Education and School Engagement and provides an invaluable resource for community leaders, policymakers, health and human service providers and administrators, funders, parents and the public.

To view this report, go to

http://www.thechildrenstrust.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=66&Itemid=131

- Launched our interactive GIS mapping website in September. We have officially named the site *KidStats and Maps*. With *KidStats and Maps* you can look up and explore data about children and families in Miami-Dade County through maps, tables and charts. This website is a one-stop resource that brings together child and family-related data from a variety of sources and makes that information accessible in one convenient location. *KidStats and Maps* also has a community asset and data management function to allow contributors to upload point data to the websites mapping feature, settings it's attributes and access permissions for publishing.

The website has two url's,

http://maps.thechildrenstrust.org/Miami/index.jsp
or
http://indicators.thechildrenstrust.org/Miami/index.jsp

2.   What important reports have you produced? What important data presentations have you delivered?
- In June, released the report *"Putting the Pieces Together For Our Children," a Child Well- Being Report of Community Indicators in Miami-Dade County 2008*, as noted above.

- Presented at the Community Indicators Consortium's 6th International Conference in Washington D.C.

This presentation discussed The Children's Trust's approach, illustrated by example of its efforts to incorporate data collection, presentation and sharing as a means to better inform and measure progress toward fulfilling The Trust's mission to improve the lives of children and families in Miami-Dade County by making strategic investments in their future.   We touched on resources, tools and outcomes of finding, sharing then turning data into information the community can use. We partnered on this presentation with Justice & Security Strategies, Inc. who is working with The Children's Trust to develop a countywide crime mapping/spatial analysis system to inform and support the understanding and work of specific communities in Miami-Dade County that experienced a wave of violent deaths involving youth and children in 2006 and 2007.

- Related to our School Readiness and Early School Success Grant Award from AECF/NNIP, prepared the *Initial School Readiness and Success Brief for Miami-Dade County* in May 2008.

3.   What new analysis/program efforts are you working on?

4.   Have you acquired new data (other than routine updates)? Have you completed any notable system or web site improvements? Please describe.
  - Launched our interactive GIS mapping website, *KidStats and Maps*, as noted above.

  - Acquired data on child abuse and neglect investigations for 2007-08 by ZIP code from the Florida Department of Children and Families

5.   What upcoming events/activities (with dates) present an opportunity to showcase NNIP?
Presentation at the American Evaluation Association's annual conference in Denver on November 8, 2008.

Milwaukee

NONPROFIT CENTER OF MILWAUKEE
November 2008

1. What are your key accomplishments since April 2008 (headlines)

Completion of a comprehensive housing trends report template.
Ongoing Development and Refinement of data inventory and reporting infrastructure along with continued development of a Metadata system.

2. What important reports have you produced? What important data presentations have you delivered?

Mike and Todd have presented guest lectures at Marquette University, Marquette Law School, University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee, and Alverno College on GIS, Spatial Analysis, Indicators and the Foreclosure Crisis.
Updated a report produced in 2007 detailing the home ownership gap between whites and minorities, this time using data from HMDA.
Workshops:
    Wiki, Wiki, What?
    Monitoring Neighborhood Trends: How do we know what is happening 8 years after the Last Census?
    Integrating Your Website into Your Organizations Communication Strategy,
    Measuring Results as well as Outcomes – Are you Making a Difference?

3. What new analysis/program efforts are you working on?

Milwaukee is part of a 4 city (all NNIP Partners) LISC Sustainable Communities initiative to develop a comprehensive set of indicators across a wide range of domains.
We completed a new Housing Characteristics report that can be produced for any combination of Census Blocks and details housing trends in tabular and graphic form annually from 1980.

4. Have you acquired new data (other than routine updates)? Have you completed any notable system or web site improvements? Please describe.

In the summer we obtained a new source of foreclosure data compiled from legal and courts databases as opposed to the Sheriff's Sale data we have been using. This file includes very detailed loan information for each foreclosure.
City of Milwaukee Construction Permits from 2005.

5. What upcoming events/activities (with dates) present an opportunity to showcase NNIP?

GIS Day November 19th, 2008
Black History Month – Panel Discussion
City of Milwaukee Mayor's Foreclosure Partnership Initiative – ongoing working meetings

Minneapolis

CENTER FOR URBAN AND REGIONAL AFFAIRS, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA
November 2008

1. What are your key accomplishments since April 2008 (headlines)

We have completed another 15 or so community GIS/mapping projects for various neighborhood groups and non-profits throughout the area. A sample of those are listed below

- Northway Community Trust
- Old Highland Neighborhood Historic Preservation District
- SPARC Property Condition Survey Mapping
- University District Alliance Target Areas for Homeownership Preservation
- Greater Minnesota Housing Corporation Historical Funding mapping for annual report
- City of Minneapolis M3D Laborshed Mapping for Target, TCF, Federal Reserve employees
- HACER Latino Population by County 2000-2006 mapping

We have completed our work on mapping the Minnesota Home Ownership Center's foreclosure counseling data. This is a statewide database of intake surveys of people requesting foreclosure prevention counseling. This data includes information on foreclosures prevented, reason for foreclosure (e.g. loss of income, unexpected expenses) and the amount currently owed on mortgage, type of loan, and interest rate. This data has been mapped along with sheriff's department foreclosure data to target resources and measure success of counseling efforts.

We have begun to create Google map mash-ups for community group websites. Two currently in operation and about to be moved to community group serves are:

The Churches of Northeast Minneapolis
https://netfiles.umn.edu/users/eric0887/www/northeast.html

The Murals of Corcoran
https://netfiles.umn.edu/users/eric0887/www2/corcoran.html

Collected foreclosure information at the end of 2nd and 3rd quarters of 2008 for all 87 counties in the state. In conjunction with HousingLink's statewide annual foreclosure reports we have agreed to fill in the gaps in data collection so as to keep data as updated as possible.

2. What important reports have you produced? What important data presentations have you delivered?

American Planning Association annual conference (4/30/08). Community Applications of Parcel Data Systems. Presentation with PolicyLink and Chicago's Full Circle project.

Presentation to MetroGIS Policy Board on July 23, 2008. This presentation focused on the report by the Lincoln Land Institute on Transforming Community Development with Land Information Systems.

Minnesota Council of Nonprofits Annual Conference presentation on Oct. 3, 2008. Presentation on Community GIS efforts in the region focusing on use of parcel data and the Minnesota 3D website.

3. What new analysis/program efforts are you working on?

Using the latest commuteshed and laborshed data we will be working with the City of Minneapolis' Community Planning and Economic Development department on the Green Employment Minneapolis (GEM) initiative. This project seeks to provide incentives for businesses to locate or remain in the City and to encourage their employees to live closer to their work locations.

We are working with several organizations taking part in the National Community Stabilization Trust project. This project is funding the purchase of foreclosed properties in bulk for rehab and resale to stable homeowners throughout the cities of Minneapolis and St. Paul. Target sites include:
- Willard Homewood Artist Cluster
- Greater Frogtown Neighborhood Association Dale Street clusters
- Scattered N. Mpls. sites

4. Have you acquired new data (other than routine updates)? Have you completed any notable system or website improvements?
As mentioned previously we have collected statewide foreclosure numbers by county for quarters 2 & 3 and combined the foreclosure counseling data we now have access to through the Minnesota Homeownership Center.

We have also received Loan Performance Data from the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis. This data is produced semi-annually and contains information on currently held subprime and Alt-A mortgages by zip code for the entire state. Attributes within this dataset include avg. interest rate, months until reset, loans with negative amortization, high loan-to-value ratios and length of loans.

Added functionality to M3D website includes the ability to custom select areas by freehand polygon instead of simple rectangle and a paired analysis feature which allows for examination of direct links between the residents and workers of a specific pair of cities or neighborhoods. A final enhancement to the select area feature is the ability to select multiple non-contiguous areas for commuteshed, laborshed or report running.

5. What upcoming events/activities (with dates) present an opportunity to showcase NNIP?

MN Non-Profit GIS Users Group (TBD, Jan 2009?)

Association of American Geographers annual conference (3/22/09-3/27/09) – abstract waiting acceptance.

Nashville

NEIGHBORHOOD RESOURCE CENTER
November 2008

1. What are your key accomplishments since April 2008 (headlines)

1.   During the past 8 months, NRC information clients have been taught how to better disseminate data products to their leaders, members, partners and stake holders via neighborhood-based websites, email listservs, and targeted mailings;

2.   53 resident-leaders, in primarily low income neighborhoods, learned how to use NRC's Information Services to help them build data informed decisions and strategies;

3.   47 groups received detailed neighborhood information reports for the communities they serve. The recipients were trained on how to interpret and integrate their information reports into actionable knowledge;

4.   NRC secured program funding for up to the next 3 years;

5.   NRC has upgraded our GIS computer hardware to "Work Station" quality Dell equipment;

6.   We have received upgrades to our ESRI licenses through in-kind donations.

2.   What important reports have you produced? What important data presentations have you delivered?

Data Reports

1.   Radnor Neighborhood Association – Provided a detailed neighborhood map showing households in the Radnor and Woodbine neighborhoods of Nashville, and the distribution of stop lights along neighboring arterial road, Nolensville Pike. This information was used to demonstrate the need for an additional stop light in the Radnor Neighborhood. After their informed, advocacy campaign that engaged government decision-makers, the neighborhood groups were promised a new traffic signal.

2.   Lake Park Homeowners Association – Provided six maps to help plan a community Codes Audit. Information was used to plan / carry out a community-wide codes audit. Subsequently, NRC compiled and summarized the Lake Park property information, gathered for more than 200 parcels. The information has been used to create the begging of a "Neighborhood Health, Safety & Housing Security" strategy;

3.   Capitol View Neighbors - Provided information and organizing support services to Councilwoman Karen Bennett, (a local elected legislative official) help develop a new neighborhood group in the West Inglewood area of Nashville, TN. The group has grown steadily since it was formed mid-year, and is currently working on problems related to crime and public safety.

4. <u>South Nashville Family Resource Center</u> – Worked together to create a focused outreach campaign to engage senior citizens living in the neighborhood. The FRC used the information to invite area seniors to tap into a menu of social services that are being made available to isolated seniors.

5. <u>Metropolitan Police Dept</u> – The South Police Precinct received our assistance to identify and organize interested religious institutions in Metro Council District 16 (a local legislative political boundary), in an effort to form partnerships among area churches and the Metro Police Department. The initial engagement meeting drew over, 50 area faith-based organization leaders – increasing the likelihood of a successful longitudinal strategy of informed collaboration.

6. <u>Nashville Adult Literacy Council</u> – Provided NALC with five, county-wide client distribution information including maps (ESL Students, Basic Literacy Students, All Students, Volunteer Tutors, and Students on Waiting Lists). Information was used as an outreach tool for local legislators, to raise awareness of NALC's programs.

7. <u>Nashville Wealth Building Alliance</u> – Provided an analysis of the efficacy of the Nashville, TN based Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) Program. By using spatial data that identified each of 14 tax preparation sites and the home address of the citizen tax filers we were able to help volunteers, leaders, funders and decision-makers visualize key data points. By tracking participation in VITA sites by residency, the VITA program is better-equipped to provide services that are conveniently located and accessible to VITA's target population. The information is also being used to identify areas that are underserved, so that new tax preparation sites can be placed in the locations where they're needed most.

8. <u>United Way of Metropolitan Nashville</u> – Provided detailed information sets that helped them to shape and refine the guidelines of United Way's most recent request for proposals.

9. <u>Vanderbilt Law School Community & Economic Development Clinic</u> – NRC provided information and organizing support services to generate a gentrification analysis of Nashville's Edgehill neighborhood. As a result of our efforts, gentrification information and impact presentations have been made involving Edgehill residents, Organized Neighbors of Edgehill (ONE), the Nashville Civic Design Center, and other stakeholders.

Data Presentations

<u>United States Census Bureau</u> – Presented at the 2007 Annual Meeting of Census Information Centers (CIC) and State Data Centers on how GIS can be incorporated into the work of CIC agencies.

<u>NRC Leadership Training Institute</u> – Provided information to neighborhood leaders on how neighborhood-based GIS data can be implemented to facilitate change in their communities. (3/15/08 – Public Safety Training (How to work with the police) – 14 participants; 9/30/08 - Basic Leadership Training - 24 participants)

3.   **What new analysis/program efforts are you working on?**

Upgrading our GettingToWork.Net website and Public Transportation support system .

4.   Have you acquired new data (other than routine updates)? Have you completed any notable system or web site improvements? Please describe.

We've acquired several new data sets to provide base data for various projects we're working on:

Data Set	Coverage Area	Detail Level
Alcoholic Beverage Commission Permits	Tennessee	Street Address
FDIC-Insured Banking Institutions	Tennessee	Street Address
Check Cashing Centers (TN Licensed)	Tennessee	Street Address
Title Loan Lenders (TN Licensed)	Tennessee	Street Address
Payday Loan Lenders (TN Licensed)	Tennessee	Street Address
Home Foreclosures	Davidson County	Street Address
Tax-Exempt Organizations	9 County Area	Street Address
Job Training Centers	9 County Area	Street Address

Additionally, we've expanded several of our existing datasets to cover a nine-county area in Middle Tennessee for our GettingToWork.Net website.

We have completely redesigned our agency's main website (www.tnrc.net). It now operates using Drupal open-source content management software. In the coming year, we will continue to improve the site, and also redesign a jobs access site we currently maintain - www.gettingtowork.net.

5.   What upcoming events/activities (with dates) present an opportunity to showcase NNIP?

Showcase is a bit too strong to describe the types of opportunities that we take / make to introduce NNIP and the partner organizations. We include NNIP in nearly all of our grant writing and all of our "information to action" training with residents, government officials, business leadership and the social services sector.

Specifically we will be highlighting NNIP and partner accomplishments in an all day training that John Stern is doing in Knoxville, TN in November.

NNIP has highlighted in at least a half dozen funding proposals and a like number of outcome reports in the past 7 months.

New Haven

DATAHAVEN
November 2008

1.　　What are your key accomplishments since April 2008 (headlines)

- Secured new funding from the Annie E. Casey Foundation

- Continued participation in the Community Solutions Health Indicators Project, which will provide neighborhood level health data for the City of New Haven and Yale University-related researchers.

- Resumed DataHaven newsletter

- Continued to maintain and update key indicators

- Provided key analysis to the Community Loan Fund that contributed to city foreclosure policy. DataHaven is building on on-line parcel-based data file to analyse patterns and trends in foreclosure. This will provide both a management tool to the foreclosure prevention program and public reporting of trends by neighborhood.

2.　　What important reports have you produced? What important data presentations have you delivered?

- We produced a draft of the New Haven Health Data Atlas, a compendium of data relating to health and the social determinants of health in the city, benchmarked against state and Healthy People 2010 comparisons.

- Produced monthly updates on numbers of foreclosure actions (Lis Pendens filings and foreclosure auction notices) by neighborhood, Ward, and overall.

- Presented DataHaven and a related state level project to the State Epidemiology Work Group, a cross-departmental group convened by the Connecticut Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse working to improve the availability of community-level data on health. This generated considerable interest and new opportunities for state-local data partnerships.

3.　　What new analysis/program efforts are you working on?

- DataHaven has engaged with the Community Loan Fund to analyze city foreclosures data. The users of the data will be the Loan Fund, the City of New Haven Livable City Initiative and other interested parties. The group discussed the protocol for accepting project-level work as DataHaven.

- DataHaven has engaged with the National Center for Arts and Technology (a Manchester-Bidwell subsidiary) which is conducting a feasibility study for establishing a Center in New Haven. DataHaven will be providing data and mapping support.

- DataHaven is in the process of hiring a new project manager in order to move our agenda forward and maximize our impact in the community. We are undergoing strategic planning activities with our Board to think strategically, and select areas of

critical importance. We are trying to understand our audience and their needs, the needs of funders, and what products we can develop that will both add value to the community and create a sustainable business model for our organization.

4.   Have you acquired new data (other than routine updates)? Have you completed any notable system or web site improvements? Please describe.

- We have obtained crime data from the City of New Haven again for the year 2007, following up on our 2006 acquisition. We will be geocoding and aggregating the data on UCR crimes by neighborhood and block group.

- We have obtained extremely robust foreclosure data from the City of New Haven that is geocoded. This data is also combined with loan data to create a predictive database of potential future foreclosures.

- We have retained a new web designer who will be adding graphing capabilities to the site.

5.   What upcoming events/activities (with dates) present an opportunity to showcase NNIP?

- We will be conducting trainings for community partners

New Orleans

GREATER NEW ORLEANS COMMUNITY DATA CENTER
November 2008

1. What are your key accomplishments since April 2008 (headlines)
- More than 250 media mentions, including a NYT editorial
- 8,000-11,000 unique visits per month to gnocdc.org
- Answered 50-100 data requests each month
- Successful first test of our post-Katrina evacuation plan
- Repopulation Indicators for New Orleans": Beyond the typical Google mash-up.
  - "Repopulation Indicators for New Orleans" is a Google maps mash-up for visualizing patterns of density and repopulation across New Orleans, as well as block-by block within neighborhoods. By sandwiching custom data tiles beneath Google's street labels, this Google mash-up is an effective and efficient tool for delivering the high-value data of households actively receiving mail (pre- and post-Katrina), Road Home properties where owners chose to "stay and rebuild," and Road Home properties sold to the state.

2. What important reports have you produced? What important data presentations have you delivered?

New Orleans Index. Produced New Orleans Index Third Anniversary of Katrina special edition. E-mailed it to 5,000 and distributed 4,000 in print to a wide range of stakeholders.

Census Challenge. In June, we completed our data collection and supporting documentation to submit to the U.S. Census to challenge the July 2007 estimates for Orleans Parish. Our report suggests that as of July of 2007, there were between 293,326 and 321,458 people living in New Orleans, compared to the Census' estimate of 239,124. The official challenge can only come from the highest elected official of the local government unit. As of this report, we are waiting on the Mayor's office to submit the paperwork to the Census. We contacted our neighboring parishes (Plaquemines, Jefferson and St. Bernard) to provide them with the background information on how to file a challenge to these estimates. In the case of Jefferson and Plaquemines, we shared the supporting documentation for the Orleans challenge. In the case of St. Bernard, we provided more detailed technical assistance because they are pulling together the data in-house. If all of the hurricane affected parishes in the New Orleans metropolitan service area successfully challenge the census, it could mean more than $100 million of federal aid preserved within the area.
Key data presentations
- Oct 31, 2008 - "Using Administrative Data to Estimate Population Displacement and Resettlement following a Catastrophic U.S. Disaster," Southern Demographic Association (Allison Plyer & Joy Bonaguro)

- Oct 16, 2008 - "Supply and Demand Analysis of the New Orleans Affordable Multi-Family Residential Housing Market," Affordable Housing Investors Council (Allison Plyer & Bud Clarke, MMA Financial)
- Oct 10, 2008 - "Closing Plenary: Grass Roots GIS in the Recovery of New Orleans," URISA (Denice Ross)
- Oct 9, 2008 - "Postal Data & Google Maps Shine Light on New Orleans Recovery," Urban & Regional Information Systems Association (URISA) (Joy Bonaguro, Elaine Ortiz, & Denice Ross
- Sep 15, 2008 - "Three Years After Katrina: Findings from The New Orleans Index plus new analysis after Hurricane Gustav," The Gulf Coast and the New Administration: An Agenda for the First 100 Days (Allison Plyer)

3.   What new analysis/program efforts are you working on?

- Exploring the use of web 2.0 tools for furthering our mission to democratize data, and also looking into new intranet software to manage our Ask Allison, data file registrations, and internal knowledge on new data sets, meetings attended, etc.

- Researching ways to measure safety (architecture, levees, and wetlands) on an annual basis so we can incorporate those metrics into our discussion of the recovery.

- Researching the best benchmarks for key neighborhood indicators.

- On the verge of diving more deeply into housing data, and creating an annual Housing Report in collaboration with the Urban Institute.

4.   Have you acquired new data (other than routine updates)? Have you completed any notable system or web site improvements? Please describe.

- Total Sales Tax Collections by Parish (in addition to Orleans, we now have St. Bernard, St. Tammany, Jefferson, St. Charles and St. John)
- Number of Road Home Closings by Option Selected, by Parish
- Average Days on Market for Single Family Homes in New Orleans Metro Area
- Average Rents for Select Parishes, by Unit Type, Fall 2007
- Public Housing and Vouchers in New Orleans MSA, by Parish, June 2008
- Affordable Monthly Rent for Select Occupations in the New Orleans MSA, 2007
- Residential addresses actively receiving mail July 2005 and current in 2008
- Unoccupied residential addresses (vacant and no-stat[1]) as an indicator of blight March 2008 (http://www.gnocdc.org/reports/BlightBenchmarks.pdf)
- Employers (Q3 2004 through Q2 2007)

- Jobs (Q3 2004 through Q2 2007)
- Average weekly wages (Q3 2004 through Q2 2007)
- June 2008 estimates of households in poverty, households by race and ethnicity, households by language, households with children, homeownership rates
- New residential construction

- We created a Google mash-up of Repopulation Indicators for New Orleans at www.gnocdc.org/repopulation (see attached award application for details of the data set and how people are using it)

- We transferred all of our mapping tiles and PDF files to the Amazon Cloud Server so we could support any level of traffic as Gustav approached.

- We are revisiting our web statistics and other metrics as our technology is becoming more diverse.

- We created a "credibility column" on the left hand side of our web page where we list stats (such as number of newsletter subscribers) and recent or upcoming presentations.

5.   What upcoming events/activities (with dates) present an opportunity to showcase NNIP?

- July 13-17, 2009 San Diego, ESRI user conference

New York

NEW YORK CITY HOUSING AND NEIGHBORHOOD INFORMATION SYSTEM,
NEW YORK UNIVERSITY
November 2008

1.   What are your key accomplishments since April 2008 (headlines)

- In May, we were asked to testify about our mortgage research before the Subcommittee on Domestic Policy of the House of Representative's Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. Our testimony was covered by the Wall Street Journal and other media. A link to that testimony can be found here.

- We completed a paper on the impact of foreclosures on property values, which has been accepted for publication in the Journal of Housing Economics. That paper can be downloaded here.

- Also in May, with support from the Ford Foundation, we convened leading researchers, policymakers, lenders and non-profits for a day-long roundtable to discuss how best to leverage public and private resources to put foreclosed properties to productive re-use. Later this month, we will release a white paper outlining the findings from the roundtable and identifying the key issues communities need to consider as they confront the challenge of rising numbers of foreclosed properties. In the next few weeks, we will release a report assessing the impact supportive housing developments have on neighboring property values. Despite frequent claims from those who oppose supportive housing that these new developments will bring down neighborhood property values, there is little evidence about the actual impact supportive housing has had on host neighborhoods. Our analysis is the first large-scale empirical study of the impacts, and will be an important contribution to the controversy and public process that surrounds the approval of supportive housing facilities.

- On Sept. 22, 2008, Ingrid Gould Ellen briefed the National Commission on Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity on her research on racially integrated neighborhoods, providing testimony at the panel's Sept. 22, 2008, hearing. A link to that testimony is here.

2.   What important reports have you produced? What important data presentations have you delivered?

- On April 14, 2008, the Furman Center released a new analysis of foreclosure filings data which reveals that there are approximately 15,000 renter households living in buildings that entered foreclosure in New York City in 2007.

- Throughout the summer, the Furman Center presenting findings from the State of the City report to various groups including Habitat for Humanity.

- As noted, we released a paper on the impact of foreclosures on property values. The report has already been covered by the New York Times blog.

- The Furman Center consistently provides data and information to the NYC media. This has resulted in many press hits, including:

  - The New York Times featured Furman Center analysis on foreclosure and mortgage lending trends in Door to Door, Foreclosure Knocks Here.

  - Growing Pains Come and Go: The New York Times looks at neighborhood change in Bedford Stuyvesant and features Furman Center data on foreclosures and building activity in the area

  - Neighborhoods Bear the Brunt: The Washington Post features Furman Center analysis of the neighborhood concentration of subprime lending

  - Subprime Mortgages and Race: A Bit of Good News May Be Illusory: The Washington Post cites Furman Center research on racial disparities in subprime lending

  - In Confronting the Foreclosure Crisis, a Bill Strikes a Balance: The New York Times cites Furman Center foreclosure data

  - Is Inclusionary Zoning Providing Our Much Needed Affordable Housing?: The San Francisco Chronicle features Furman Center research on the impacts of Inclusionary Zoning policies

  - NYC Renters Get Foreclosure Blues: Crain's New York Business profiles Furman Center analysis on the number of renters living in buildings in foreclosure

  - Even Renters Aren't Safe: The New York Times uses Furman Center data on foreclosure filings and commentary from Vicki Been to better understand the dangers facing renters living in buildings that enter foreclosure

  - Options Are Studied Regarding Expected 'Tsunami of Default': The New York Sun features the Furman Center's analysis of racial disparities in subprime lending

3.   What new analysis/program efforts are you working on?

▪ *Mortgage Lending and Foreclosures:* Building on our previous work on mortgage lending and the impacts of foreclosures, we have embarked on a number of new projects intended to better understand the way foreclosures impact communities. Central to the call for government intervention is the claim that foreclosures not only hurt those who are losing their homes to foreclosure, but also harm many innocent victims. We have completed work examining the impact of foreclosures on neighboring properties and are now turning to study the impacts of foreclosures on two other key groups of innocent victims: the children and renters living in properties going through foreclosure.

▪ *Inclusionary Zoning:* Local inclusionary zoning (IZ) programs have become an increasingly popular trend in land use regulation over the past two decades, despite considerable debate over the effects of the policy. By 2007, 68 percent of jurisdictions in the San Francisco Bay Area had adopted some form of IZ. In previous work, we examined the impacts of IZ on the prices and production of market-rate housing. We now seek to better understand the widespread emergence of this particular tool and ask the question: why do some land use or housing policies become especially popular? We are testing the relative importance of various hypotheses that could explain the rapid diffusion of IZ in the Bay Area, using a unique dataset on the economic, demographic, political, institutional and spatial characteristics of 114 counties, cities and towns.

▪ *Schools and Housing*: In cooperation with NYU's Institute for Education and Social Policy, the Furman Center is assessing whether, and in what ways, publicly-financed housing investment, and investment in owner-occupied housing in particular, drives changes in local schools. The study analyzes whether the City's investments in new homeownership housing resulted in changes in the characteristics of students in the neighborhood schools, the characteristics of teachers, resource levels, and ultimately student performance, as measured by attendance and test scores.

▪ *Crime and Urban Growth:* We are looking at the urban comeback many cities experienced in the 1990s and evaluating whether reductions in crime affected residential decisions and helped to reverse, or at least abate, urban flight. Using national data, we are asking whether the cities that experienced the greatest reductions in crime during the 1990

experienced less flight and more rapid population growth than cities that were not able to make as much progress in fighting crime.

▪   *Neighborhood Change:* In recent work, the Furman Center has found that neighborhood economic gain has become more common among poor urban neighborhoods around the country, but no work exists that sheds light on either the underlying factors driving these changes, or their consequences.   We know very little about the underlying dynamics of neighborhood economic transition. Through the use of unique, nationally-representative Census data, the Furman Center aims to shed light on both the residential decisions underlying neighborhood change as well as the consequences of such change.

▪   *New York City Land Use :* New York City's capacity to grow depends in part upon whether land that is now under-utilized can be developed to its full zoning capacity. We don't know enough about what causes some property owners to develop their land to the fullest FAR (floor area ratio) permitted by the applicable zoning, or about why some owners continue a current use when development to full FAR appears to make economic sense. We are gathering data and constructing models to identify which sites in the City currently are developed under the maximum permitted FAR, and to evaluate the characteristics of the properties, their owners, and the neighborhoods in which they are located. Using information gleaned from our data analysis, case studies and interviews with owners and real estate professionals, we will construct a model that can predict which lots will build out and which won't, and will suggest policies that the City could adopt to encourage landowners to develop under-used land. We also will use our data and models to analyze the many City-initiated re-zonings that have occurred in the Bloomberg era to determine their net impact on the City's capacity for new building, and to evaluate the characteristics of the neighborhoods which have been rezoned to permit more building versus those where existing neighborhood character is being preserved.

4.   Have you acquired new data (other than routine updates)? Have you completed any notable system or web site improvements? Please describe.

We have just downloaded the ACS 2007 data and are working with that for our upcoming State of the City report. We have recently acquired commercial data on NYC businesses.

We are in beta testing with our new NYCHANIS website. We should have the website out in the next month or so.

5.   What upcoming events/activities (with dates) present an opportunity to showcase NNIP?

Our upcoming release around the new NYCHANIS will present an opportunity to showcase NNIP.

We have also recently discussed NNIP with our SOC Advisory committee an organization of NYC community development organization, nonprofits who deal with housing and economic development issues and banks and foundations.

Oakland

URBAN STRATEGIES COUNCIL
November 2008

1.   What are your key accomplishments since April 2008 (headlines)

Re-established relationship with Oakland Police Department and City Council to conduct pilot analysis of neighborhood level crime trends to support implementation of community policing ordinance.

Building dataset to support foreclosure intervention initiative and establishment of a community land trust to purchase foreclosed and at-risk properties in Oakland.

Won contract to provide GIS/Spatial Analysis services to Santa Clara Health Department.

Established Alameda County Reentry Network to coordinate services for formerly incarcerated persons.

TA and negotiations support to neighborhood alliance in negotiating landmark San Francisco community benefits agreement

2.   What important reports have you produced? What important data presentations have you delivered?

2007 Oakland Homicide Report

2008 Earn It! Keep It! Save It! EITC campaign reports

2008-09 Annual Plan and Priorities for Alameda County Reentry Network

Alameda County Reentry Health Task Force Report

Business Briefing: Solutions for Financial Management and Asset Building (for East Bay Community Foundation)

The Oakland Foreclosure Intervention Initiative (Northern California Grant Makers)

3.   What new analysis/program efforts are you working on?

Monitoring foreclosures and housing transactions for foreclosure intervention programs

Community level crime analysis and community policing impact

Analysis of insurance service provision across California, examining failure to provide services to communities of color and discriminatory service provision.

Redesign of existing web mapping systems to include more counties and local, detailed datasets.

Evaluation of pilot program to reduce recidivism amongst 18-24 year old probationers through assessment driven service delivery model.

4. Have you acquired new data (other than routine updates)? Have you completed any notable system or web site improvements? Please describe.

Full police reporting data for past several years at the address level

Insurance exposure and policy data at Zipcode level for California

Probation Department data on probations in county at address level

City of Oakland Building and business permit data

County General Assistance data with information on criminal history of recipients

5. What upcoming events/activities (with dates) present an opportunity to showcase NNIP?

Philadelphia

TEMPLE UNIVERSITY, METROPOLITAN PHILADELPHIA INDICATORS PROJECT
November 2008

1. **What are your key accomplishments since April 2008 (headlines)**

- We released the 2008 edition of "Where We Stand", our annual (now biennial) community indicators report
- The project website was revamped to include an interactive mapping and data down load facility, *MetroPhillyMapper*, (visit at www.temple.edu/mpip) which was publicly released in August, 2008.

2. **What important reports have you produced? What important data presentations have you delivered?**

MPIP has released three topical reports during the past year. They include:

- Rating the Region's Quality of Life
- Regional rails as a Community Asset
- Nonprofits in the Suburbs
- Presented educational outcomes findings (to be released in the next month) and non-profit capacity in the region to the annual meeting of the Urban Affairs Association.

All reports both on-line and pdf versions) are available at www.temple.edu/mpip.

In addition, the project has provided data and/or maps to:
- First Suburbs of Southeastern Pennsylvania (September meeting)
- Graduate Philadelphia (an effort to retain graduates of Philadelphia colleges and universities in the region after their graduation),
- The Economy League of Greater Philadelphia,
- Philadelphia's Center City District,
- Abington Arts Center, on suburban nonprofits,
- Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission, to demonstrate the new interactive mapping capacity at the
- It is beginning training sessions for its use at a variety of locations beginning on 11/17.

3. **What new analysis/program efforts are you working on?**

- We are about to release a report in subprime lending patterns in the region, incorporating housing market declines and foreclosure risks;
- We are also engaged in an analysis of educational gaps in suburban communities, linked to the development of potential new streams of college completion students;
- We continue to work with Select Greater Philadelphia to document employment and industry shifts; with PCCY on a children's agenda for the city and region,
- We also continue with the First Suburbs group, focusing on housing, education, and infrastructure/transportation needs.

- We will be releasing a report on the importance of regional rail lines for property values and community viability later this year.

4. **Have you acquired new data (other than routine updates)? Have you completed any notable system or web site improvements? Please describe.**

We are currently incorporating the LISC/UI foreclosure data (zip code level) into our data sets, pending adjustments to reflect a bi-state metro area.

5. **What upcoming events/activities (with dates) present an opportunity to showcase NNIP?**

As we move ahead with our funding proposals for the coming 2-3 year funding cycle, we will be looking for more public ways to engage community based and civic organizations with the importance of strategic applications of data we have assembled. As we flesh out these details, we will incorporate the possibility of an NNIP presence in these relationships.

Pittsburgh

PITTSBURGH NEIGHBORHOOD AND COMMUNITY INFORMATION SYSTEM (PNCIS)
November 2008

1.   What are your key accomplishments since April 2008 (headlines)

•   Set up as a Cost Center at the University of Pittsburgh, "a self-supporting business enterprise activity" with revenues from sponsored projects and other sponsored agreements as a specialized service facility.

•   Raised $80,000 as part of our bridge year financing strategy.

•   Completed our first user training with our new server and interface.

•   Finalized legal arrangements between partners at the Pittsburgh Partnership and City of Pittsburgh

2.   What important reports have you produced? What important data presentations have you delivered?

•   Presented to six different state audiences in Harrisburg in the past year in order to expand our funding to state constituents. We've secured a modest amount from one representative and continue to demonstrate the system to our local state contingent.

•   Worked with the City of Pittsburgh and The Reinvestment Fund on their market value analysis (MVA).

•   Participates in the Cleveland + Youngstown + Pittsburgh Regional Network, funded by the SURDNA Foundation. Thus far, this has been one conference and one trip to Cleveland.

3.   What new analysis/program efforts are you working on?

•   Mortgage and foreclosure data analysis, including individual and neighborhood effects and characteristics, and loan characteristics.
•   Incorporating more health and environmental information and expanding our partnerships with schools of public health and medicine.
•   Investigation on the model of mortgage lending and foreclosure:

4.   Have you acquired new data (other than routine updates)? Have you completed any notable system or web site improvements? Please describe.

•   Moved our platform to ESRI Arc Server to better meet the needs of our users. We have an enhanced and more attractive interface. We do, however, continue to work on this to enhance our data retrieval and analytic mapping capabilities.

•   Added new data including utility shutoffs.

5.   What upcoming events/activities (with dates) present an opportunity to showcase NNIP?
•   Presentation at Pennsylvania Planning Association, October 13, 2008

Providence

THE PROVIDENCE PLAN
November 2008

1.   What are your key accomplishments since April 2008 (headlines)

ProvPlan successfully launched a Probation and Parole mapping application geared towards probation officers, police, and policy makers. It features nightly data updates, services mapping, and report generation.

We've also begun to do a fair amount of work with foreclosure data including static maps as well as proposing a web-based, open source foreclosure mapping and data management tool. Static mapping example here:
http://local.provplan.org/enews/documents/fore/Providence_foreclosure.pdf

In addition, we have performed an analysis of sales occurring post-foreclosure to look at property flipping and speculation.

On a related subject, we have mapped copper thefts:
http://local.provplan.org/enews/fom/copper_maps.pdf

2.   What important reports have you produced? What important data presentations have you delivered?

Report on Effect of Teen Births on Child Outcomes (still awaiting review/release from Health Dept)

3.   What new analysis/program efforts are you working on?

Initiated our work with the LISC Sustainable Communities project, which targets the Olneyville neighborhood in Providence and the Fairmont/Constitution Hill neighborhoods in Woonsocket, RI. While ProvPlan has been doing statewide work for a number of years, this represents our first comprehensive neighborhood indicator project outside of Providence.

We are currently working with a Rhode Island College Sociology class to inventory boarded and "suspected abandoned" properties in four key Providence neighborhoods. An up-to-date inventory of this type doesn't exist.

4.   Have you acquired new data (other than routine updates)? Have you completed any notable system or web site improvements? Please describe.

ProvPlan recently acquired *actual foreclosure* data for Providence and Woonsocket (rather than Advertisements which only note foreclosure initiations). The Providence data are only for Jan 1 2007 to March 31, 2008, but ProvPlan is working with Rhode Island Housing to secure actual foreclosure data statewide. We also recently updated

foreclosure initiations (data, mapping, and improved query ability) of our Urban Land Reform site.

6.   What upcoming events/activities (with dates) present an opportunity to showcase NNIP?

NIJ MAPS Conference

Sacramento

COMMUNITY SERVICES PLANNING COUNCIL
November 2008

1.   What are your key accomplishments since April 2008 (headlines)

- 211 Sacramento, our information and referral program, received 4,769 EITC and Income Tax related calls from people seeking tax assistance from VITA and TCE sites during the 2007 tax season. This was a 25.7% increase in EITC and Tax related calls from the previous year. 211 Sacramento also booked tax assistance appointments for 1,188 senior residents in Sacramento County.

- 211 Sacramento is now averaging more than 6,000 calls per month, and our information and referral specialists speak 13 languages including Spanish, Thai, Lao, Mien, Cambodian, Khmer, Chinese, Cantonese, Mandarin, Russian, Serbian, Croatian, and Bosnian.

2.   What important reports have you produced? What important data presentations have you delivered?

- The 2008 Children's Report Card, a 43 indicator comprehensive report on children, youth and families in Sacramento County will be published in November. The report includes six result areas including demographics, family economics, health, safety, education, and social and emotional well-being. This report is published every two years in Sacramento County and will be presented to the Board of Supervisors for approval on November 18th.

- Results of the 2008 Report will be shared with stakeholders and interested Sacramento County residents at the Children's Report Card Briefing to be held in November. The 2006 Children's Report Card can be viewed online at http://www.communitycouncil.org/indexa.html.

- Publication of the ***First 5 El Dorado Community Services Directory****,* Third Revision, which includes more than 400 agencies/programs and access to 2400 helpful and nearby community resources for families and children in El Dorado County. Topics include information about Money, Health, Work, School, Housing and much more. The first printing will include 3,000 copies to be distributed to El Dorado County service providers and El Dorado County families with children "in need".

- Data presentations were conducted at more than 35 events, and included more than 8,600 parents, seniors, community stakeholders, and Sacramento County residents.

3.   What new analysis/program efforts are you working on?

- The Community Services Planning Council is currently working in conjunction with the California Emergency Readiness Sacramento Region on joint exercises to provide post disaster relief to Sacramento County residents, and the Office of Emergency Services (OES) to provide summer heat and poor air quality event information for Sacramento County.

- The Planning Council also participates in the Sacramento Regional Home Ownership Collaborative, which partners with the local HUD office, to focus on foreclosure assistance in Sacramento County.

- The Planning Council is also a partner in the Self-Sufficiency Calculator. The Calculator is based on the Self-Sufficiency Standard, which measures how much income is needed for a family of a given composition – one person household to large family size – in a given place to adequately meet its basic needs without any public or private assistance.

A Vista Volunteer, working with the Planning Council, supports the Coalition for Working Families by providing financial literacy and asset building information, as well as tax assistance, to working families within Sacramento County.

4.   Have you acquired new data (other than routine updates)? Have you completed any notable system or web site improvements? Please describe.

- Working in partnership with the County Office of Emergency Services we have expanded our database to include disaster preparedness resources for vulnerable populations in Sacramento County.

- The database has also been expanded to include more resources for families with children throughout the Sacramento County area. Including but not limited to, specific information on California State funded preschool programs (Title 22) by Sacramento County School District, and Head Start funded preschools in our area. Information has also been included for Sacramento Employment and Training Agency (SETA) operated preschools.

5.   What upcoming events/activities (with dates) present an opportunity to showcase NNIP?

Seattle

PUBLIC HEALTH, SEATTLE & KING COUNTY
November 2008

1.   What are your key accomplishments since April 2008 (headlines)

Begun evaluation of King County Nutrition labeling regulation

With funding from RWJ and in-kind effort, PHSKC is looking at whether a regulation mandating prominent posting of calorie, saturated fat, sodium and carbohydrate content of menu items in fast food/chain restaurants will change individuals' menu choices, and whether the restaurants themselves will move to healthier menus. The evaluation will also focus on its effects on restaurant patrons in low-income/diverse areas and at the effectiveness of different kinds of menu labeling. Baseline data collection including a face-to-face point-of-purchase and telephone surveys is going on now. The regulation goes into effect on Jan. 1, 2009. Reports from the field show that 99% of covered restaurants have already eliminated trans fat from many foods—another facet of the regulation.

County performance measured with both population-based and program indicators

King County launched the updated Aims High website (http://www.metrokc.gov/aimshigh/index.asp), which reports on population-based indicators and the performance of county agencies in health, land use & transportation, housing and homeless, equity and social justice and several other areas. The top health indicator is years of healthy life, and shows that years of unhealthy life is increasing faster than total life expectancy. Health inequities show how place, race and income relate to health outcomes. Equity and Social Justice concentrates on both upstream and downstream indicators.

New grant helps expand partnerships, promote equity and social justice

King County's work to promote fairness and opportunities for all its residents is getting a financial boost from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation which has awarded the county a competitive grant of $100,000 to help advance the Equity and Social Justice Initiative launched earlier this year. The Initiative will use the majority of this Kellogg grant to continue its community engagement work. Another portion of the grant will support strategic planning during this early stage of the Initiative (http://www.metrokc.gov/exec/news/2008/0612grant.aspx).

2.   What important reports have you produced? What important data presentations have you delivered?

We completed a ground-breaking report on health inequities in Native Hawaiians and Other Pacific Islanders (http://www.kingcounty.gov/healthServices/health/data/datawatch.aspx). The report was released at a Pacific Islander community festival and reveals health inequities, especially in unhealthy birth risks, that had been hidden because data on Pacific Islanders had not been available.

3.   What new analysis/program efforts are you working on?

We have begun work on establishing an informatics function at PHSKC. As part of the planning process, we hope to inventory our datasets, list the key analytic questions for data-based decision support, and make a plan for these datasets—both in and outside of the department—to work together to provide answers. Although any discussion specific products is speculative at this time, some down-the-road results could include more smoothly functioning clinical care/outreach datasets that will help evaluate a restructuring of primary care delivery and a local population-based ambulatory care dataset.

We are creating a data base for tracking County departments' activities related to equity and Social Justice.

4.   Have you acquired new data (other than routine updates)? Have you completed any notable system or web site improvements? Please describe.

We are in the process of acquiring new equity data sets across King County departments and creating more base maps as a resource for overlaying program level data. We also are reviewing foreclosure data with colleagues in the King County Executives Office.

5.   What upcoming events/activities (with dates) present an opportunity to showcase NNIP?
We will release the 2008 Communities Count report in December of 2008 and anticipate a press conference and meeting with funders.

Washington D.C.

NEIGHBORHOODINFO DC
November 2008

1.   What are your key accomplishments since April 2008.

- We released the *Quality Schools and Healthy Neighborhoods* research and policy reports. This study describes in-depth the relationships between education, housing, and neighborhood development in the District of Columbia, and recommends policies to make the District a more family-friendly city.
  http://www.urban.org/publications/411769.html

- We released the *Subprime Mortgage Lending in the District of Columbia* report. This report examined the extent of subprime lending in the District of Columbia and the resulting impacts on residents and neighborhoods. The study found that subprime lending was concentrated in predominantly African-American, moderate-income neighborhoods, areas that are now experiencing a sharp rise in home foreclosures. The report recommends a number of actions to protect the city's homeowners and neighborhoods, including stronger monitoring of mortgage lenders, better outreach and education for home owners and home buyers, and creation of a loan fund to help persons refinance out of bad loans.
  http://www.urban.org/publications/411709.html

2.   What important products have you produced? What important data presentations have you delivered?

Reports
We produced the *Quality Schools and Healthy Neighborhoods* and *The Subprime Mortgage Lending in the District of Columbia* reports as described above.

We completed the *State of Washington, D.C.'s Neighborhoods* report for the DC Department of Planning. This report tracks and measures major economic and social indicators at the citywide, ward and neighborhood cluster level. The report provides a baseline assessment of the current of the city and provides comparison of measures over recent years. We are waiting for the city to release the report.

We've also made major contributions to the Child Trends report *Improving the Well-being of Children and Youth in the District of Columbia: A Needs and Opportunities Assessment.* The report tracks indicators of children and youth across multiple dimensions as wells as discusses the evidence-based research to positively influence the indicators. NIDC provided ward and neighborhood-level data.

We are in the process of completing the *Older Youth Data Book* funded by the World Bank. This report tracks indicators about youth age 12 to 24 in the District across a variety of domains, as well as highlights community-based organizations that work with youth and includes the youth's perspective through focus groups.

Presentations

Peter Tatian testified about foreclosures in the District of Columbia before the DC City Council. This testimony discussed recent data, compiled by NeighborhoodInfo DC, on foreclosures in Washington, D.C. Foreclosures have almost doubled since 2005, and data for the first quarter of 2008 show that the problem continues to worsen. With additional adjustable-rate, subprime loans scheduled to reset over the next two years, the situation is especially serious for homeowners in wards and neighborhoods where foreclosures are concentrated. http://www.urban.org/publications/901184.html

We presented trends of women-headed families in the Washington, DC region, which included population and demographics, federal subsidy receipt, subsidized child care, and enrollment in public schools including aftercare at the Washington Area Women's Foundation's 2008 Community Briefing.

3.   What new analysis/program efforts are you working on?

- We are in the process of negotiating with the DC public schools and the Office of the State Superintendent of Education to update our Quality Schools and Healthy Neighborhoods analysis with more recent student, housing, and neighborhood data.

- We are also in the final stages of negotiation with the DC public schools to conduct analysis regarding student mobility – both residential and school choice; an analysis of the impact of school closings; and school choice.

- We are in the process of creating the 2008 Kids Count report.

- We hope to work with the D.C. Office of Latino Affairs on a new indicator book highlighting the status of the Latino population in the District of Columbia.

- We are working, as part of the Fannie Mae-funded NNIP projects on foreclosures, on new data and work products to track the responses to the foreclosure crisis in the Washington, D.C., region.

4.   Have you acquired new data (other than routine updates)? Have you completed any notable system or web site improvements? Please describe.

- We created a new map library on our NIDC website that provides some of our most commonly-requested maps in downloadable Portable Document Format (PDF). Six maps show a single geography with landmarks, another eight maps show multiple geographies and how they relate to one another, and we now provide more detailed maps displaying the relationship between wards and neighborhood clusters.

- We've added notices of foreclosure sale and trustee deed sales to our regularly updated data.

5.   What upcoming events/activities present an opportunity to showcase NNIP?

None at present.