## Upstairs Downtown

One Story at a Time



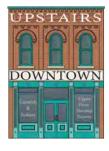


Dan Carmody, Carmody Consulting Mike Jackson, FAIA

## Upstairs Downtown

Reclaiming Vitality





Junction City, KS Monday & Tuesday August 15 & 16 2022

## Vacancy rates of 50% or higher

Common in Small to Mid-Sized Communities





## Typical Building on Main Street

DIY Developers





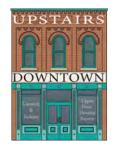
Two - three stories

Masonry bearing wall structure

## Property Investment Cycle

Value of downtown properties shifted to upper floors





Complete reinvestment in systems

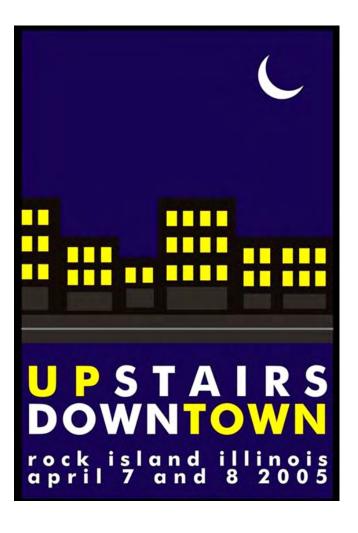
Multiple skill sets needed for redevelopment

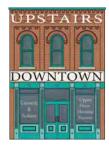
### Renaissance Rock Island

Innovative downtown housing



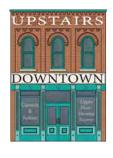






# Building the Team Small Building Owner Success



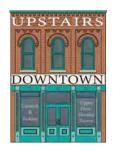


City of Rock Island provided a simple incentive For projects less than six units in size

## Four Part Training Session

For community leaders and non-developers

- ✓ Driving a market for upper floor space
- ✓ Assessing buildings and their capacities
- √ Financial assessment tools
- ✓ Case studies & incentives

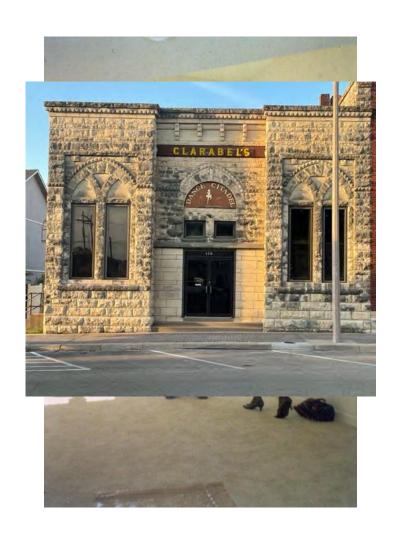


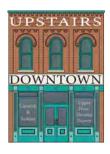
Since 2005 22 presentations in 16 states

### Market Feasibility

### Understanding market dynamics

- ✓ Market absorption
- ✓ Reuse scenarios
  - Residential
  - Office
  - Hospitality
- ✓ Economic analysis
- ✓ Filling financial "gap"

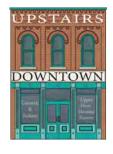




### Who's job is it?

Community have to do it themselves

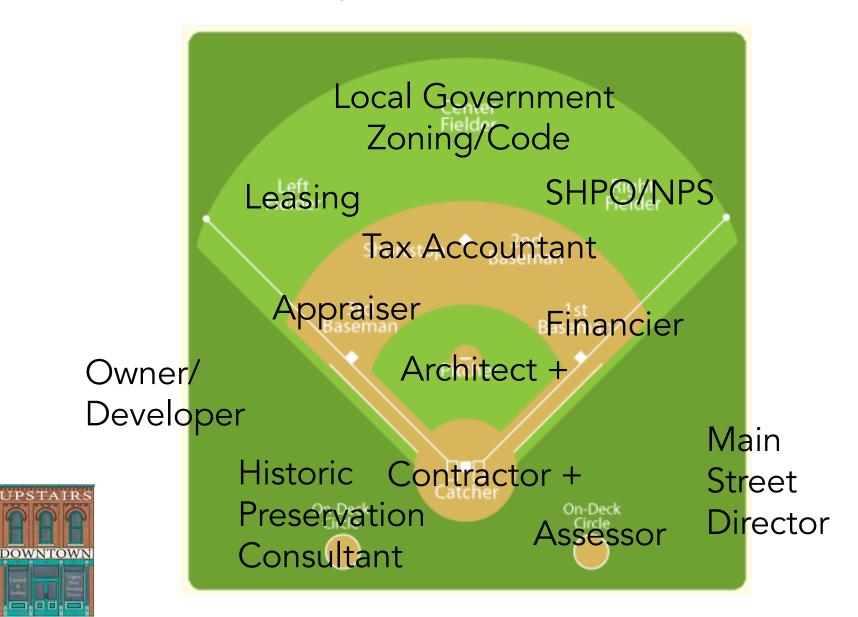




Professional real estate developers rarely look for buildings under 30,000 sq. ft.

### Development is a Team Sport

Main Street Helps Put the Team on the Field

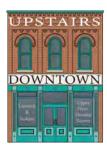


## Development is a Team Sport

Scouting for Pioneers

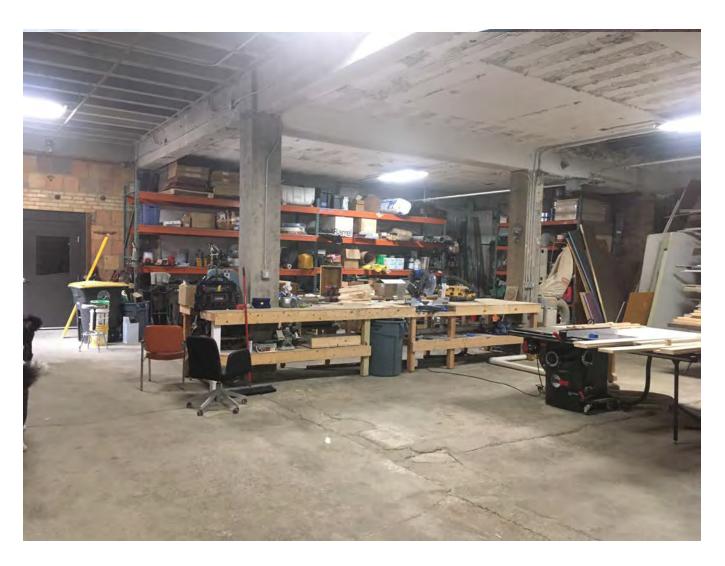
Potential Owners/Developers with capacity to overcome barriers to early projects:

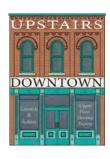
- ✓ Pride
- ✓ Wealth
- ✓ Control Construction Costs
- ✓ Existing Building Owners
- ✓ Boomerangs



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### Architectural Assessment

Leveraging a building's character

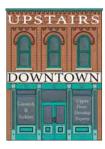
### Big ticket items:

Accessibility

✓ Elevators

Fire Protection

- ✓ Exit capacity
- ✓ Sprinklers



### Residents Spend Money

### Housing Improves the Business Climate

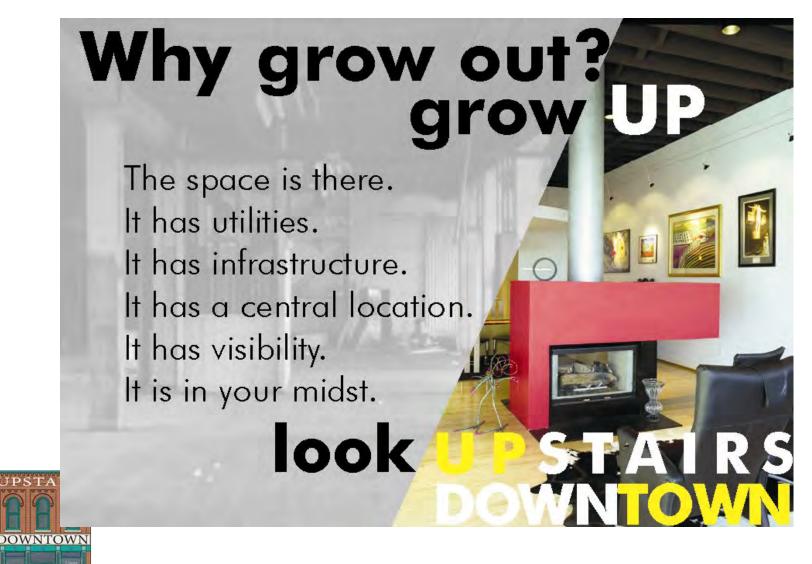
Rent	\$ 9,000.00
Food at Home	\$ 2,322.00
Food Away From Home & Alcohol	\$ 997.00
Household Supplies	\$ 308.00
Household Furniture & Equipment	\$ 390.00
Apparel & Footwear	\$ 960.00
Auto Related	\$ 2,042.00
Healthcare	\$ 380.00
Entertainment	\$ 977.00
Personal Care Products & Services	\$ 319.00
Reading & Education	\$ 236.00
Contributions & Misc.	\$ 689.00
Total Annual Household Expenses	\$ 18,620.00



With \$18,000 in spending for each new resident

### Success Stories

In towns of all sizes



### Upstairs Downtown Agenda

Monday August 15

9:00 am Registration/Meet & Greet

9:30 am Welcome and Introductions

10:00 am Upstairs Downtown: Creating a Market

for Downtown Housing

11:00 am Architectural Assessment

12:15 pm Morning Q & A

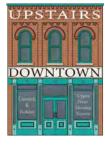
12:30 pm Lunch

2:15 pm Financial Feasibility

3:00 pm Case Studies and Incentives

4:15 pm Q&A

4:45 pm Wrap Up



### Upstairs Downtown Agenda

Tuesday August 16

9:00 am Feasibility Studies

Is Your Community Ready?

9:30 am Building Code Discussion

Many Paths to Improve Building

Safety Besides Sprinklers

Mike Jackson

10:30 am Getting Started Two Stories

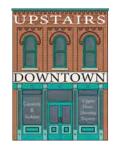
Randall Chick, Hastings, NE (zoom)

Nick Sorenson, Jefferson, IA (zoom)

11:30 am

Q & A & Next Steps

12:00 pm Adjournment



### How can you learn more?

Visit <u>www.upstairsdowntown.com</u>

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### Feasibility Studies



### Feasibility Study: 3 & 4 Old Capitol, Springfield IL

This project is a combination of two different buildings that have been combined into a single parcel. The first floor of 4 OSC is a separate commercial condominium. The property was converted to office use in the 1980s including all new systems, finishes. A elevator and fi re suppression system were also installed at that time. The building was vacant for several years and suffered from serious structural damage to the rear portion of 3 OSC which has been stabilized with new second floor structure.



### Feasibility Study: 415 E Adams St., Springfield IL

The project will add a total of eight residential units to the second and third floors. There is a fourth and fifth floor on the rear half of this property that has not been included in the real estate Pro forma.

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### Feasibility Study: 300 Adams St., Springfield IL

The proposed project will create nine new residential units including one on the rear of the first floor. The commercial storefront will be maintained as the residential lobby to provide access to the elevator and front means of egress.

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### Feasibility Study: 827 Tenth Ave, Sidney NE

This project recommends taking the two current small apartments and making them into one largel[1,00] square foot), one bedroom apartment with a small study or office. The front windows are slated to be replaced back to their original size and the false ceiling removed as this will let a lot more natural light into the living room. The total project costs (hard and soft costs) are estimated at \$94,489.

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### Feasibility Study: 925 Illinois Street, Sidney NE

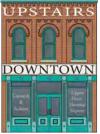
This project recommends taking the two current small apartments and redoing them. The total project costs (hard and soft costs) are estimated at \$94.489. A factor to consider is that on-site parking is not available but the city lot is across the alley. Downtown property owners are encouraged to work with the city to establish a downtown resident's parking area with cover, an amenity that many of the survey respondents preferred.

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# Let's get started Market Driven Places

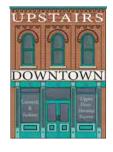




### Market Driven Places

Fortifying Main Streets in cities of all sizes





Main Streets strive to recapture lost vitality

### Market Driven Forces

Repopulating Beloved Places



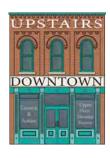


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## Rich History with Great Stories

Leveraging the past to build a brighter future

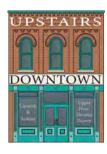




### **Great Bones**

### Irreplaceable architecture





## Leverages Previous Investment

Streetscapes and other infrastructure





# My Downtown Living History Since 1977

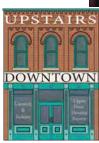




### Conducted Market Research

1983 model unit

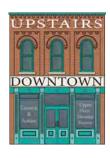




## Housing is Pivotal

To re-densify cores of U.S. cities





## Creating a Downtown Neighborhood

One story at a time





# Abilene Reporter-News Upstairs Downtown: An introduction

Reporter catches glimpse in new series By Greg Kendall-Ball

I've lived in Abilene for nearly 10 years, and for most of that decade, the empty windows above McKay's Bakery on Cypress Street have taunted me.

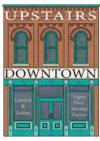
There were a lot of second-story spaces, it turned out, whose siren call could no longer be ignored And with the cooperation of a few property owners, I was granted access to those spaces and given permission to share a glimpse of what's "Upstairs Downtown."

There are people living and working in these spaces, and some spaces are just waiting to be given new life. As one downtown dweller said, "There's a whole world beyond the curb."

## Upper Floors Are Being Activated

In cities of all sizes

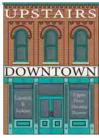




### **Economic Foundations Shifted**

Jobs and complacency disappeared

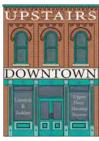




## Lack of Compelling Places

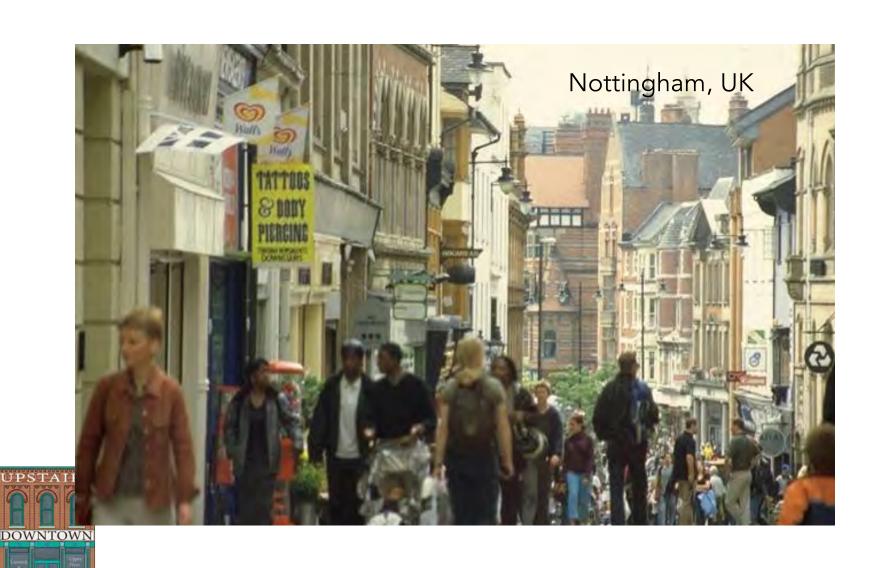
Regardless of Prosperity





## Compelling Places

Have strong competitive advantage



# Compelling Places Work together with peer cities

### Key Characteristics:

- ✓ Population Range
- ✓ Interstate Acess
- ✓ College or Community
  College
- ✓ County Seat
- ✓ Part of an Urbanized Area or Not
- ✓ Regional Character



# Urban Landscapes Evolve Demographics and preferences shift





# How to Become Compelling?

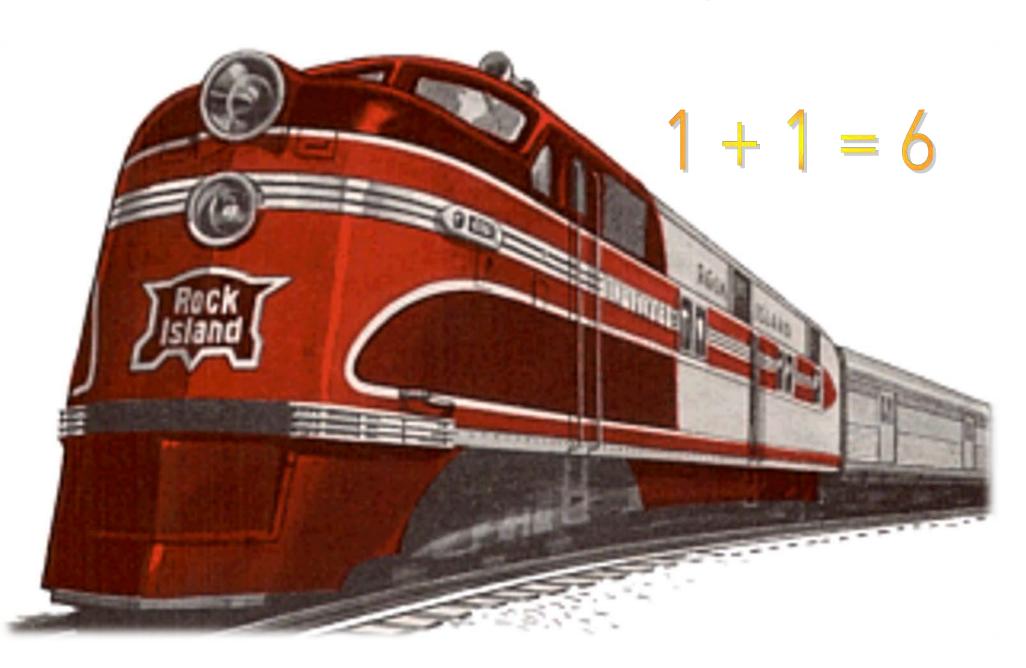
No simple answer





# Main Street Programs

New math for austerity



## Upstairs Downtown

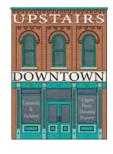
Demonstrates the E\*I\*E\*I\*O principles

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O Organic



# Empirical Evidence

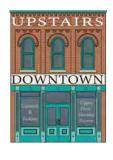
Demographics drives demand for new housing forms

The most common household type found in 2010 US Census?

Couples with no kids

Second Place? The Single Person





Only 21% of US households have school-age children

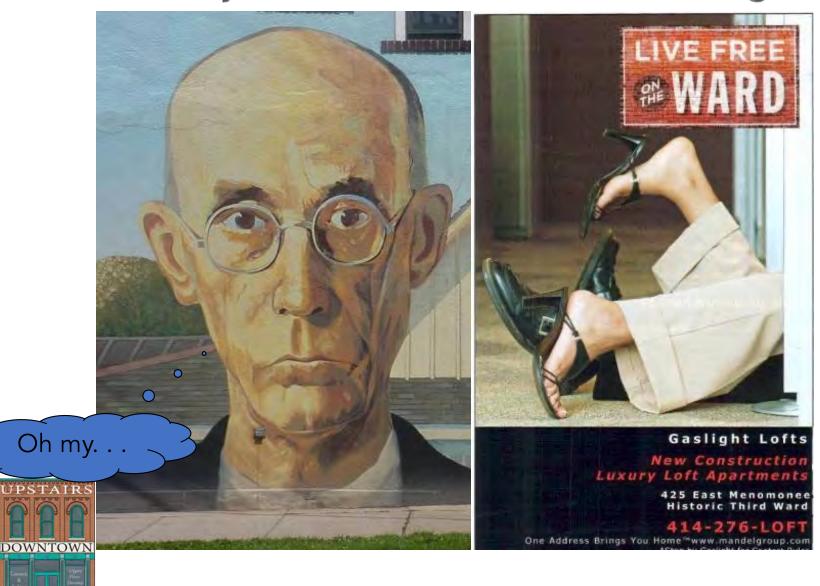
# Consumer Preferences Changes



What's a "household"?

# What We Desire Changes

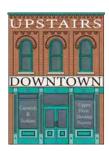
Variety of urban amenities as we age



## The Future of Work

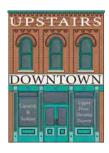
50% of the workforce will be consultants by 2025





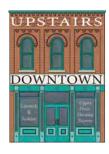
# Proving Demand When there is no supply





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### Traditional Market Studies

Market absorption of currently available product

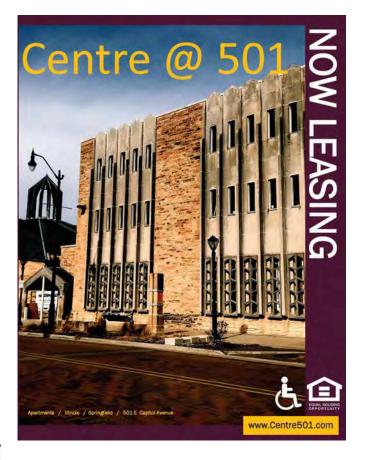




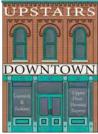
The focus on comparative sales analysis feeds an insulated spiral that reduces choice and variety of housing product.

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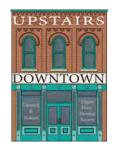




## Housing Market Potential Studies

New data to estimate demand for urban housing

- ✓ Study Migration patterns of households that moved in recent years now (30-50% of the total)
- ✓ IRS data much more current to determine where people move from in order to better understand draw areas.
- ✓ Market segmentation data helps assess which new residents will have an interest in urban housing.

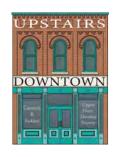


# Segmentation Analysis

You are known by your expenditure pattern

✓ Systems classify of all US neighborhoods into segments. (i.e. 65 for Tapestry\* or 66 for PRIZM\*\*)

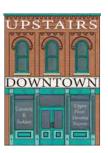
✓ Household buying patterns from credit card data helps identify segments likely to be interested in urban housing product.



# Segmentation Analysis

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"Urban chic residents attend to lifestyle more than ambience. Residents travel extensively, maintain luxury cars, and embrace city living by visiting museums, attending dance performances, participating in civic activities, such as working for political parties, and shopping at upscale establishments.



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#### Demographic

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#### Residential

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#### Profesences

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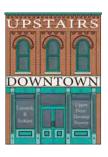
The buy, computer vary Utter Ohr residents are conmediad. They not only use PCs entensively, but they also read the memals. In keep in touch and touch their tous schedules, they frequently use incentiveld PChris and cell phases. They account the internation cannage may large by books an indicate for convent and sporting wents, check their investment portfolios, and trade stocks. Ditters Christians is own \$15,000 or many in stocks, are stock rating services, and keep number and let attitudes.

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"Laptop and Lattes lives in multistory apartment buildings with more than 20 units, the neighborhoods are older, and virtually untouched by urban renewal."



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#### Demographic

Laptops and Catter residents empty the ungle the Single persons throughout on with a recremate represent the majority of all hystocholds in this segment. Average becameful size remains constant at I.B. Although the market is increasing in size very slowle, it is maturing and diversifying more packly. The median age of the population is 38 years, two years older than the ILS, median age. The Deverty ledice, which resource the Ballimord that any two propie from his segment represent different radial or ethals origins, has increased by un points since 2000—twice as fast as the ILS index, Most of the population is white, but the failer growth of the block. Asian, Hispanic, and multimodal populations is increasing diversity in the Japtops and Latins segment.

#### Socioeconomic

With a median income of more than \$10,000, these singles are affiliant. Their modian net worth is \$262,000, dispite the miscoliny foll income sheet. The blook force of Laptices and Laffics is elite. They are entertrally well educated, 37 percent hold bachelor's degrees, and 32 percent have serred grediate degrees. The finish holds professional or management positions, especially in the information, these and insustance, or sometific and technology industries. More than helf of the households also earn income from their investments.

#### Residentia

Laptopo and Lattes residents love city life and profer to live in the image mainspottes areas of liver York; Boston; Washings, Lov., B.C.; Chicago, Lan. Angelle, or San Prancisco. By virtue of their lifestyle or lacale, these lixesofulfors are recentively to sent than own their homes. Lives than 30 percent are homeoners. Most of the population in Laptops and dating lives in residently apartners it full lifesy with more than 20 units. The maight-barbooks are older and simulative work more than 20 units. The maight-barbooks are older and simulative work out to the housing were built before 1940; only 5 percent of the kousing inventory were added in the pain 10 years. However, these are not inexpensive districts. Average next to more than \$1,200 monthly, and median home value is \$659,000. Being typical city shellers, many readers in Laptops and Catter do not seen a car.

#### Preferences

Laptings and Lattes residents are both correspositan and connected. This is the prasted notebook PCS, and PDAs. They use the Internet daily to trade stocks, purchase everything from apparel to poruhentals, or amongs travel plans. While residents are not overly concerned with local transpostation, they are well involved, expectably alread.

In the UT, they shop at ignorale establishments and spend their lesses time at concerts, spectring central, known, and research properties and take adult education courses. In other words, they enjoy metropolition establish concerns, and physicially fit they skip, sail, and participate regularly in an establish program at the gyninegular dictors, Laphapa and Lathan residents represent the top matter for cryptic or natural foods and select vitamin supplements. They frequently participate in emistersential groups and consider themselves liberal. They list to design and consider themselves liberal. They list to design and consider themselves liberal. They list not design and consider themselves liberal. They list not design and consider themselves liberal. They list no design and consider themselves liberal.

## Market Assessment

Using segmentation analysis

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Each market is a different collection of segments.

Segment	United	Michigan	Grand Traverse County	Micropolitan
No H5 Diploma	15.8%	12.9%	3.6%	10.5%
HS Diploma	29.6%	31,456	27.5%	30,5%
Some College	20,1%	22.9%	29.6%	22.6%
Associates	2.0%	8.00%	8.5%	7.9%
Bachelon	17.2%	15.1%	20.2%	16.5%
Post-Graduate	9.9%	9.9%	11.4%	9.9%

#### Tapestry Analysis

To further understood the discognaphic, economic, and cultural characteristics of Traceres City and the region, FRA unlived as undyes tool called Community Tapestry, developed by Environmental Systems Research Institute (ESRI). Tapestry is a tool that divides honorholds onto 60 caugettes or segments based on several key factors, including a variety of demographic characteristics of resemblesheeds. These segments correspond to cartain seg groups, income brackets, and subjection levels, as well as lifestyle choices, beighborhood honoring preferences, and consumer spending labors. The following table highlights relevant concentrations of defined segments in the five-county area and Grant Traverte County.

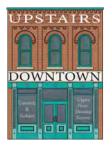
Seyment	Households	County Area	Grand Traverse	% in Michigan	% in U.S.
Rural Resort Dwellers	16.444	23,75%	5,99%	2.51%	1.60%
Alighant Crowd	10,336	14.93	70.27%	3.12%	3,639
Green Acres	7,954	11.49%	15,45%	EBEW	8.775
Exceed Rural	4,095	5.91%		1.89%	2,458
Up and Coming Families	3,929	5.67%	8,73%	1.77%	4.215
Middle Junction	3,676	5.31%	# 15%	2.25%	2.509
Sensor Sum Senions	2,691	3.39%	4.38%	1.48%	7,135
Old and Newcomers	2,499	3.61%	7.28%	2.32%	1.975
Silver and Gold	2,373	3.47%	1.33%	0.25%	0.935
in Style	2,099	3.03%	611%	2.56%	2.489
Metropolitani	1,943	2.21%	5.66%	1.49	1.195
Southern Satellites	1,691	2.44%		1.57%	2.769
Emstmads	1,366	1.97%	3.98%	2.67%	1.489
Milk and Crews	1,167	1.69%	3.40%	1,06%	1.505
Foodbaddes	1,086	1.62%	1.50%	2.93%	2.45
San of the Earth	985	1,42%		5.57%	2.77
Rustbert Traditions	965	1,38%	1.19%	V.01%	2.874
Simple Living	860	4.27%	2.56%	1,26%	7.45
Home Town	871	1.26%	0.50	1.78%	1.589
Connections	777	1.12%	2.26%	0.98%	7,405
Picsperous Empty Nesters	754	1.09%	2.20%	1.67%	1.845
Cory and Comfortable	306	0.53%	0.07%	7.54%	2.841
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Source ERA, ESRI Business Ankahore

Of the 65 tapearty segments, 25 are represented in the five-county area and identified in the above table. Stagithy bewer, 19 segments, are represented in Grand Traverse County. The above table has been safety from the county of the segment of the region. As for table shows, the "Rural Record Dwellers" segment is

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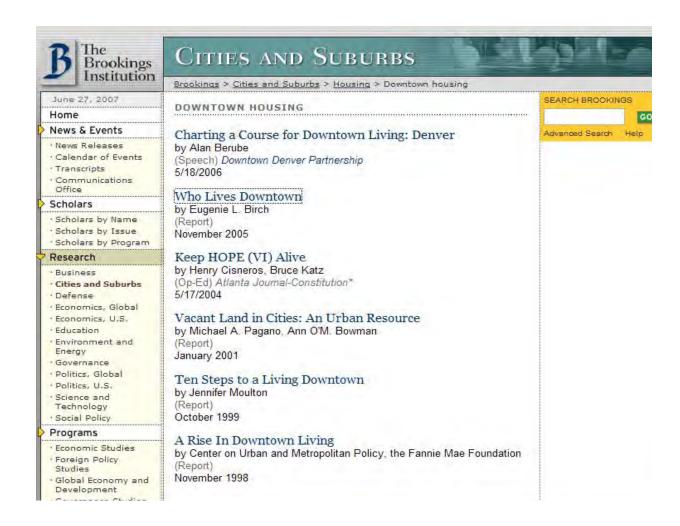
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## More Recent Market Research

### To identify current housing demand





## DIY Market Research

To provide empirical evidence for demand

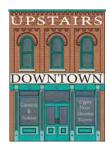
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# Great Recession / Pandemic Impacts

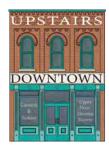
Regarding household formation

- ✓ Average household size continues to decline
- ✓ The rate of household formation plunged after the Great Recession but has recovered some.
- ✓ More kids moving in with parents
- ✓ More parents moving in with kids
- √ Childcare issues



# Great Recession / Pandemic Impacts Regarding household mobility

- ✓ Mobility dropped 50 percent in the Great Recession and is slowly recovering
- ✓ Pandemic greatly altered the live/work equation
- ✓ Where to do you work?



# Influence of Automobiles Waning

### Mobility isn't what it was

### Millennials Say They'd Give Up Their Cars Before Their Computers or Cell Phones

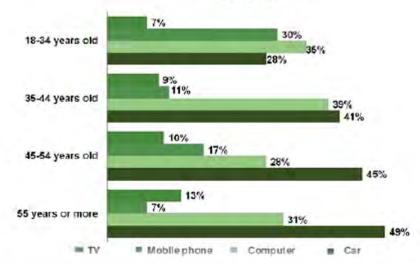
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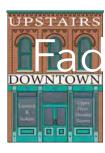
Once a week or so we come across yet another sign that Millennials care much less about car ownership than previous generations. They're less likely to drive than their parents. They've got less debt tied up in cars. They'd rather hang out with their friends on Twitter than get in a car to go see them.

And here's yet another: Ask Millennials which piece of technology they could least live without, and it turns out they'd more happily part with their cars than their computers or cell phones. That question, graphed below, comes from the third installment of Zipcar's annual Millennial survey.

In your daily routine, losing which piece of technology would have the greatest negative impact on you?

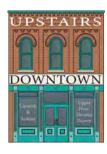




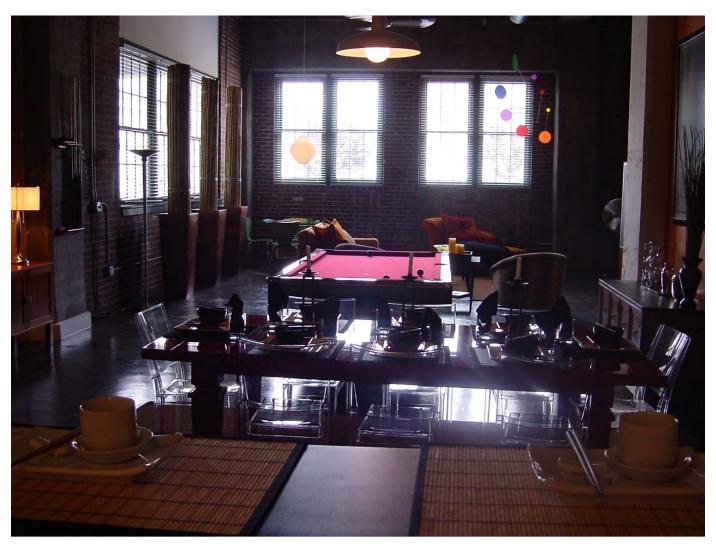


# Incremental Approach To community-based development





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## Even Less Demand for Retail Space

Pandemic Spurred Online Sales





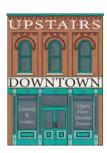
Independent businesses are precious

# **Economic Diversity**

We've Been Bad at Small and Medium Enterprise

Country	Small / Medium Businesses Per 1,000	Rank
Indonesia	195,27	1
Italy (2003)	77.68	10
Greece (2003)	69.94	17
Brazil (2002)	27.41	58
USA (2004)	19.98	69

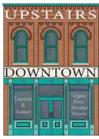
Based on Detroit's city population, we would host another 35,000 SME's if we emulated Greek rather than US SME creation rates.



# Even Less Demand for Retail Space

First Floor residential





### Main Street Amenities

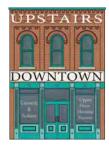
Strong competitive advantage over suburbs



# Main Street Are Strong Competitors

In markets that value urban amenities & sustainability

- ✓ Greater emphasis on aesthetics
- ✓ Access to cultural amenities
- ✓ Proximity to adult learning
- ✓ Reduced auto dependency
- ✓ Energy efficiency



# Long Term Pandemic Impacts Regarding space demand

Hospitality

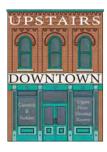
✓On site consumption

Retail

✓ Online dominance

Office

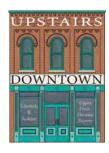
✓ Gig economy



# Main Street Housing Needs Less Subsidy No need to extend infrastructure

 Green field sites long benefited from communities' desire to grow. Cities invested in costly extension of public infrastructure and services.

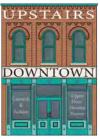
 Downtown housing takes advantage of existing infrastructure and services that require far less public investment



# Entrepreneurial sparks

Provided by successful main street Programs

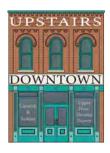




## Developers Often Risk Adverse Many burnt by the real estate market cycle

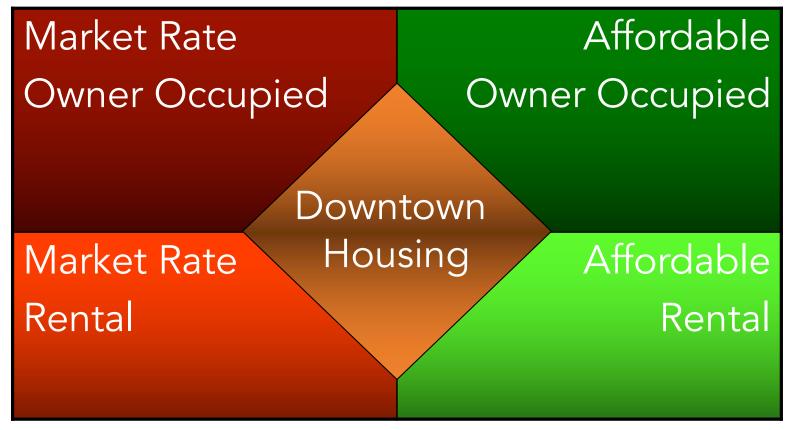
 The average length of the real estate market cycle is 18 years.

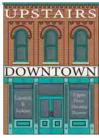
 Many long-time developers went through the financial wringer as demand contracted sharply when real estate markets moved quickly from boom to bust.



# Inclusive Nature of Main Street Housing

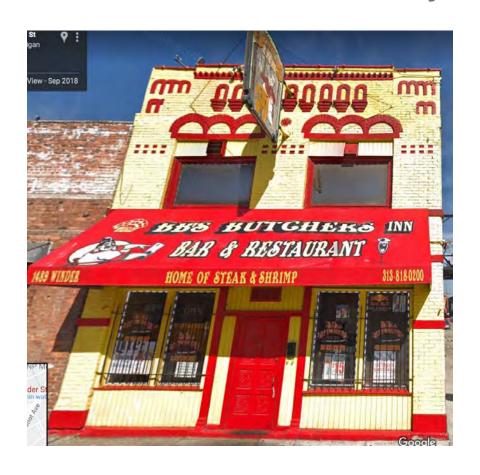
It's everyone's neighborhood

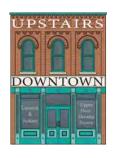




# Authenticity Includes Everyone

Careful About Diversity

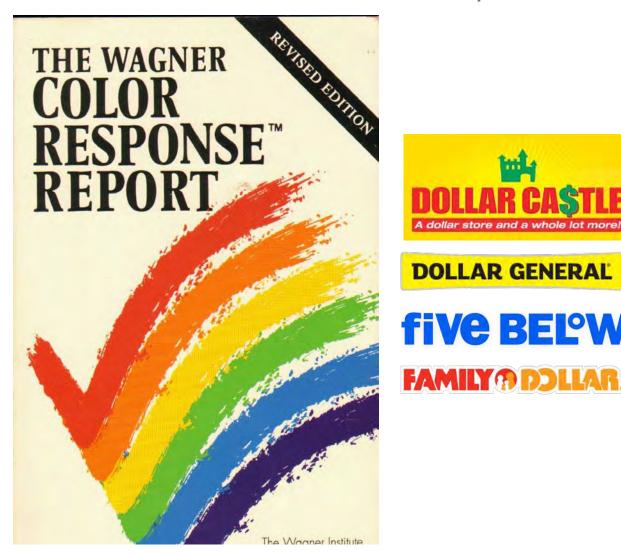




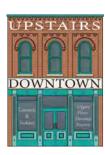
Mix of businesses is critical

## How to Retain Everyone

Don't Unintentionally Uninvite People





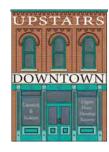


Mix of businesses is critical

# Leveraging Community Authenticity

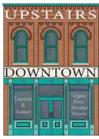
Downtown or Main Street is where its at!

- ✓ True to one's own personality character: sincere with no pretensions – it's what you are and what you want to become
- ✓ Authenticity does not reside in objects but in the visitor's experienced relationship to a set of object



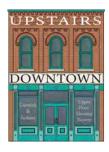
# Renewing Assets Organic regeneration





# Leveraging Assets Organic Storytelling





#### Authenticity Leads to Greater Vitality

Main Street is where its at!

#### **Activate Upper Floors**

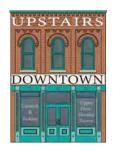
✓ Housing, office, and/or hospitality

#### Keep Independent Businesses

✓ First floor focal point

#### Keep Incubating

✓ Farmers Markets and Other Pop Ups



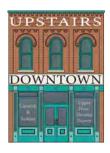
#### Variety of Rental Price Points

- ✓ Incentive for Large Scale Developers
- ✓ Non-Profit Developers

# First Rule of Authenticity

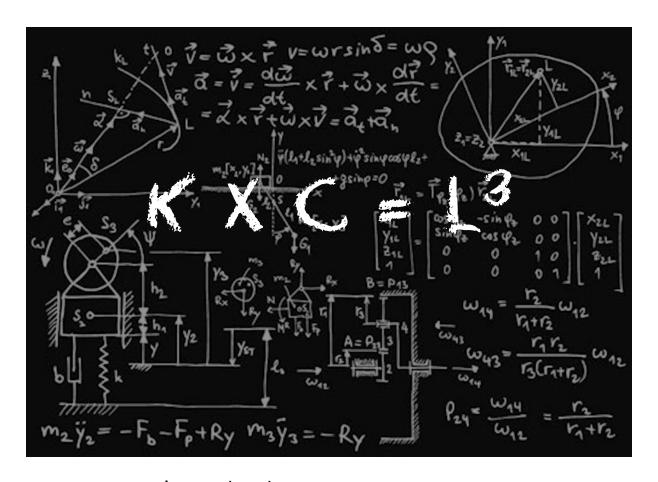
Know your assets!

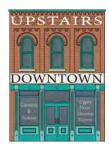




# Upstairs Downtown Happens

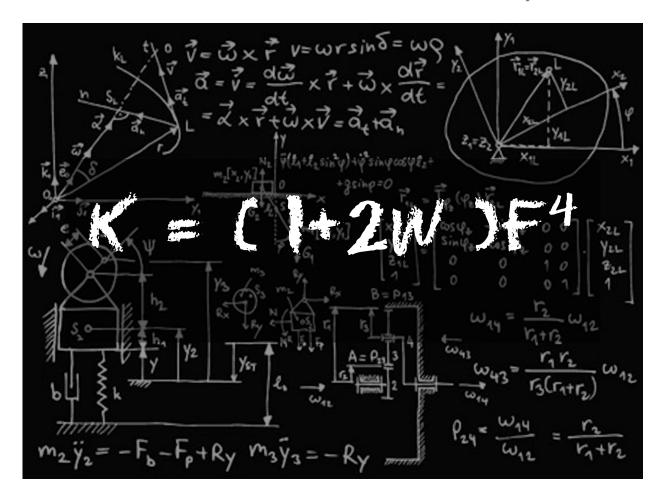
In towns with exceptional leadership

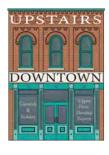




Exceptional Leadership Equals Knowledge Times Capacity

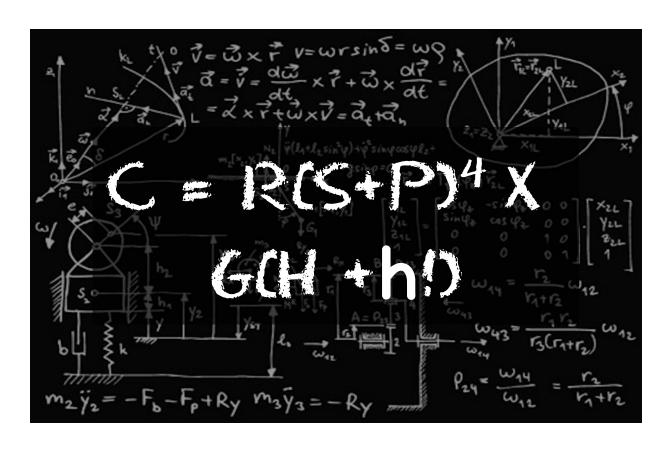
When knowledge meets capacity

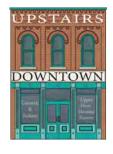




Knowledge Equals Information Plus Two Parts Wisdom Times Faith to the 4th Power

When knowledge meets capacity



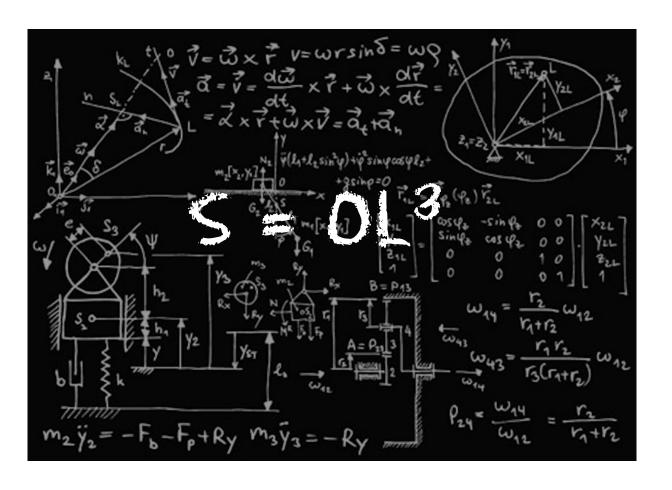


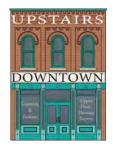
Capacity Equals Responsibility Times Sum of Sweat and Passion To the Fourth Power

Times Gumption Times The Sum of (Humility and humor)

#### Implementing Upstairs Downtown

Helps build exceptional leadership





Success Equals Opportunity
Times Outstanding Leadership

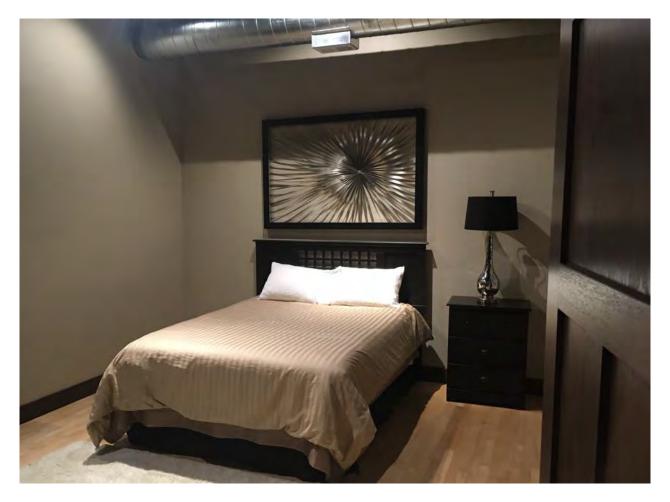
# Courageous Exceptional Leadership

Takes a long time for a good vision to bear fruit

#### **Project Timeline**

- 1929 Local Architect Robert Hugman proposes "The Shops of Aragon and Romula" combining flood control and commercial development.
  - Hugman branded a lunatic by those who wanted to pave over and put the troublesome San Antonio river in a box culvert.
- 1939 Initial phase of Paseo Del Rio built with WPA funding
- 1968 Hemisphere expansion most significant in continuing evolution of River Walk.
- 1970's San Antonio emerges as a major convention center

Randall Chick of Hastings, NE

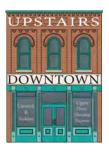




85 Upper Floor Units in a city of 24,000



# Upstairs Downtown Success in other places



#### Hastings, NE

- Established both a business improvement district (BID) and a community revitalization area (CRA) to fund Main Street initiatives
- Attended NDC training early on
- First project was 100% funding by the BID/CRA

Jay Maton Made Seminary Street a landmark





Made Seminary Street a landmark step-by-step

#### It Starts By Knowing Your Building Stock

Careful assessment reduces barriers



