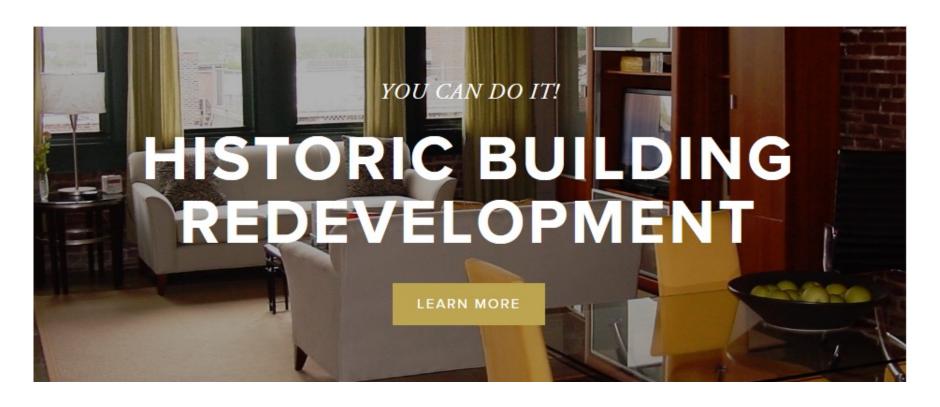
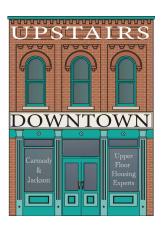
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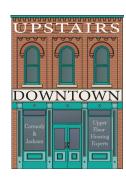


Market Forces
Professional Skills
Building Characteristics
Rules and Regulations

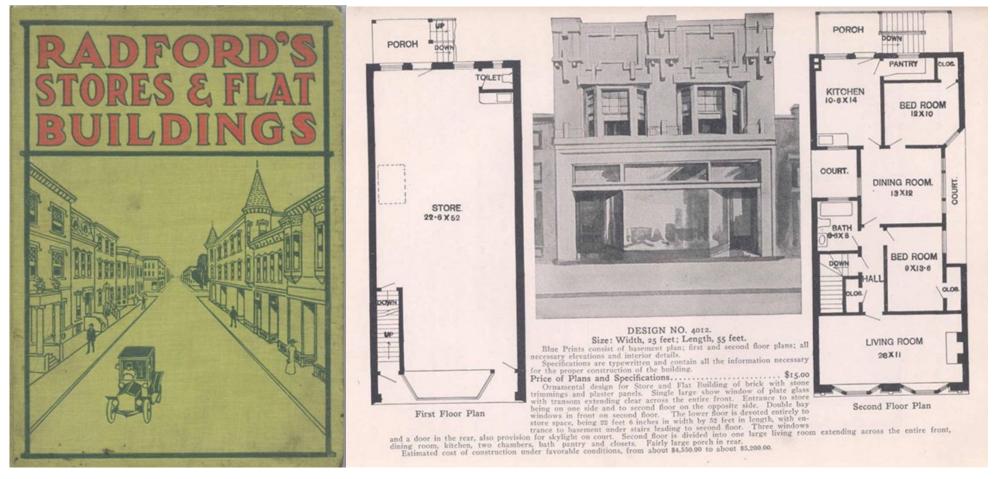
# FEASIBILITY Architectural/Economics

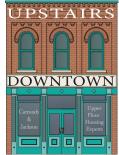
- The architectural, regulatory and fiscal variables that affect feasibility.
- The resources your Main Street program should have to facilitate feasibility studies.





#### HISTORY LESSON





Residential use on the upper story was very common.

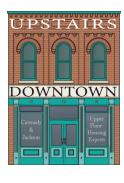
https://archive.org/details/RadfordsStoresAndFlatBuildings

## Professional Office Use

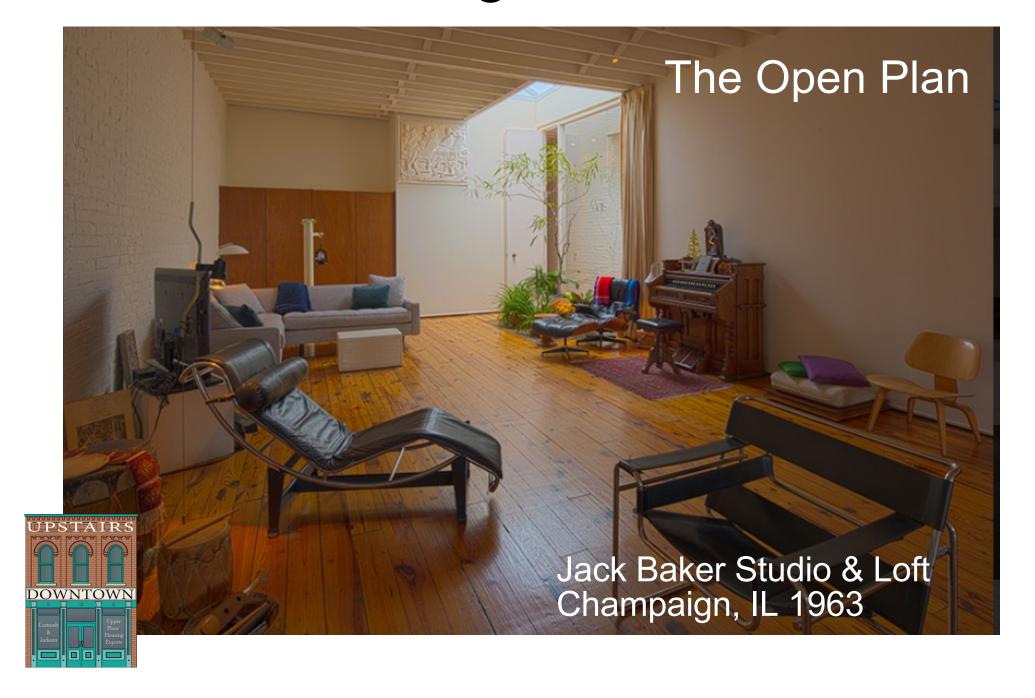


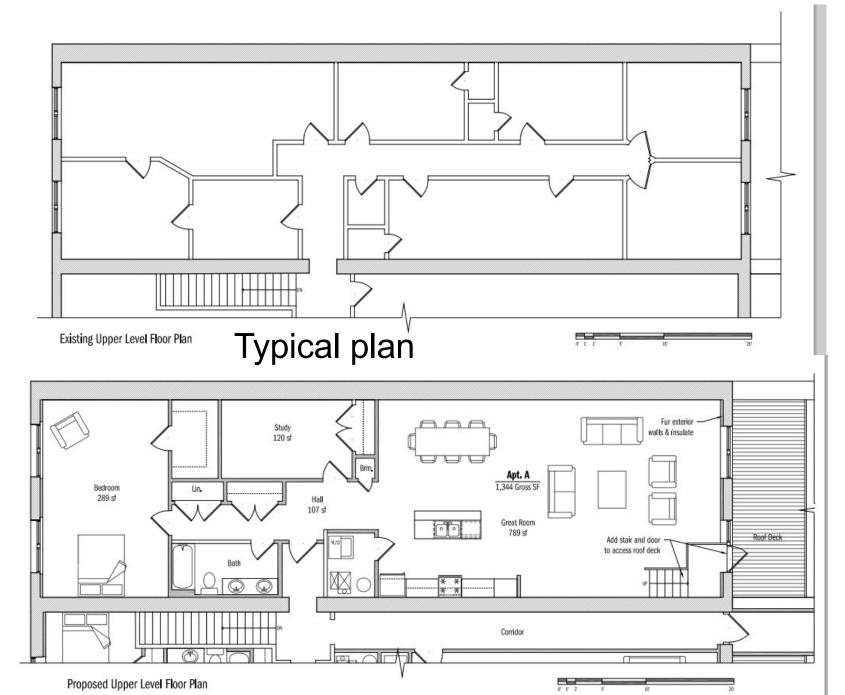
# MARKET FORCES: RESIDENTIAL

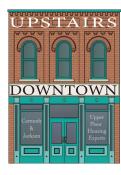
- One or Two-Bedroom Units
- Large open floor plan (800-1,200+ sq. ft.)
- Washer and dryer in units
- One Large bedroom
- Amenities
  - Outdoor balcony or deck
  - Study are storage space
  - Enclosed parking
  - Elevator



# New Housing on Main Street

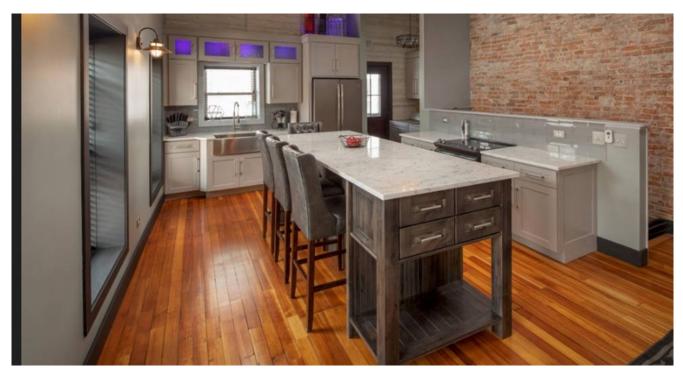


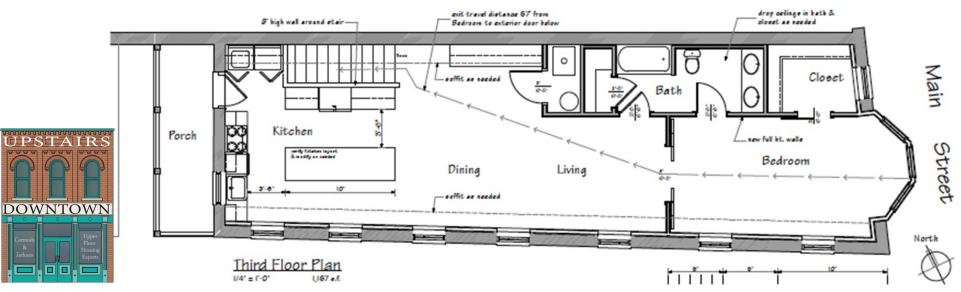




**Contemporary Plan** 

# THE OPEN PLAN UNIT





#### DESIGN MATTERS



The "Cool" Factor

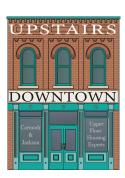
- Tall Ceilings
- Period Trim
- Open Plan
- High Quality

"Error on the side of quality"

#### **OPPORTUNITIES**

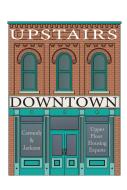
Solid Architectural "bones"
Great Location
Housing with creativity

Building upon past success Promote new opportunities

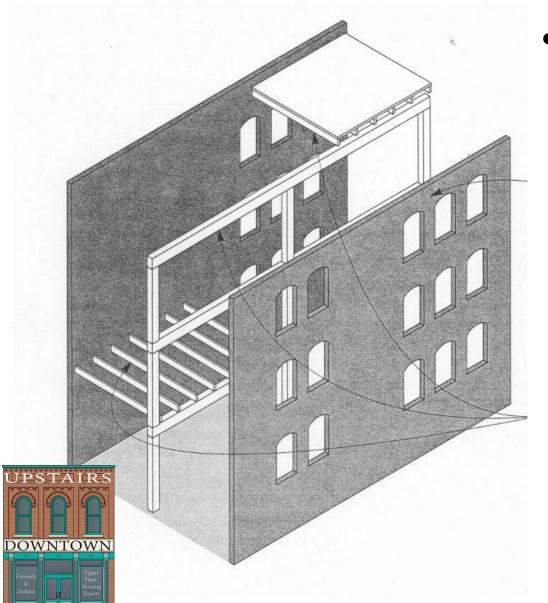


#### BUILDING CHARACTERSTICS

- Size
  - Area
  - Height, 2 story or 3 story +
- Construction type (from building code)
- Structural system (check for adequacy)
- Architectural attributes that are code triggers
  - Number of exits
  - Access to light and ventilation



#### BUILDING CHARACTERISTICS



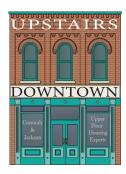
- CONSTRUCTION TYPE (IBC 2000)
  - Type III (based upon fire

resistance of building elements)

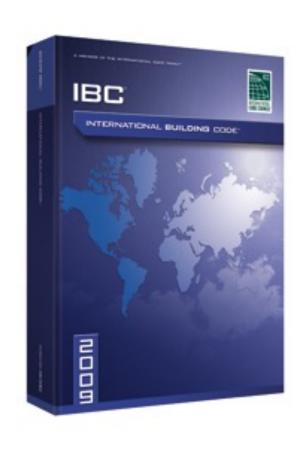
 Exterior walls are noncombustible materials and interior building elements are of any material permitted by this code.

#### **Cost Factors**

- Accessibility Elevator
- Structural capacity
   — Floor load
   Life Safety (Building Codes)
  - Sprinklers
  - Extra exit stairs
  - Seismic upgrades
- Environmental



#### **CODES & STANDARDS**

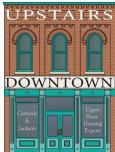


**Building Codes** 

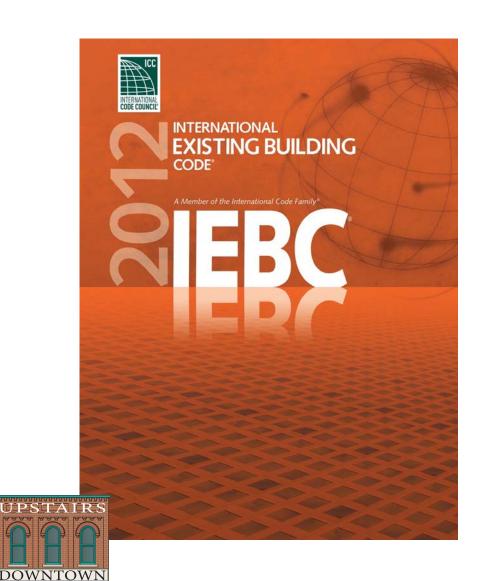
National Models, adopted by gov't American with Disabilities Act (ADA) Secretary of the Interior's Standards Code triggers based upon funding source

Ex: HUD funding and lead paint

Know your local code officials



#### EXISTING BUILDING CODE



- International Existing Building Code 2018
- Level of activity

Has your city adopted the IEBC?

#### **BUILDING USE**

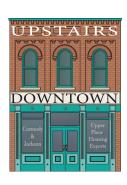
- Current use (zoning classifications)
  - First floor
  - Upper floors

Historic use (city directory, Sanborn map)

- First floor
- Upper floors

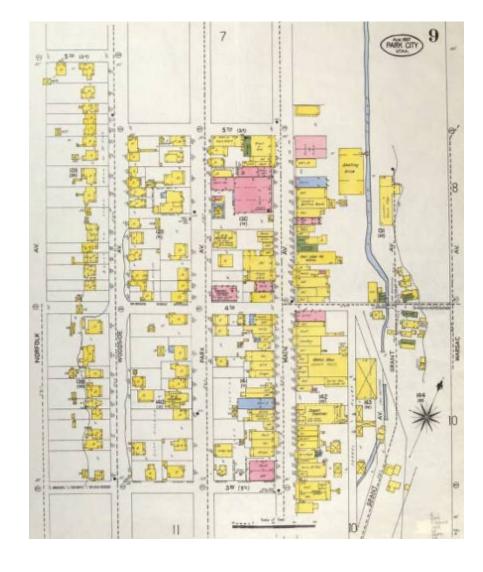
Vacant (last known legal use)

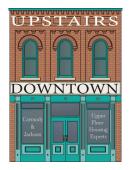




#### HISTORIC USE

- Sanborn fire insurance maps are a valuable tool to evaluate a buildings original fire safety design attributes.
- City directories





Sanborn maps available locally and online

#### STRUCTURAL CAPACITY

STRUCTURE (IBC 2000)

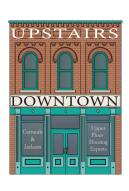
Residential 40 psf.

Stairs and exits 100 psf.

- One & two-family dwelling 40 psf.
- Office 50 psf., Corridor above 1<sup>st</sup> fl. 80 psf.
  - Lobbies and first floor corridor 100 psf.
- Original design (archaic materials)
- Condition assessment

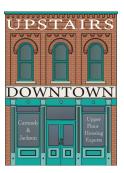
Most building meet residential loading Industrial buildings exceed most loads





#### CODES – FIRE SAFETY

- Fire Districts Exterior Masonry Walls
- Compartmentalization (time rating factors)
- Fire Detection and Alarms
- Fire Suppression (sprinklers)
- Exits



#### FIRE SAFETY & SPRINKLERS

Always desired.

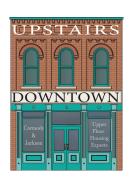
When are they Required?

Change of Use as a trigger Level of Alteration

Commercial vs Residential systems

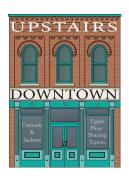


Building Code official Fire Department



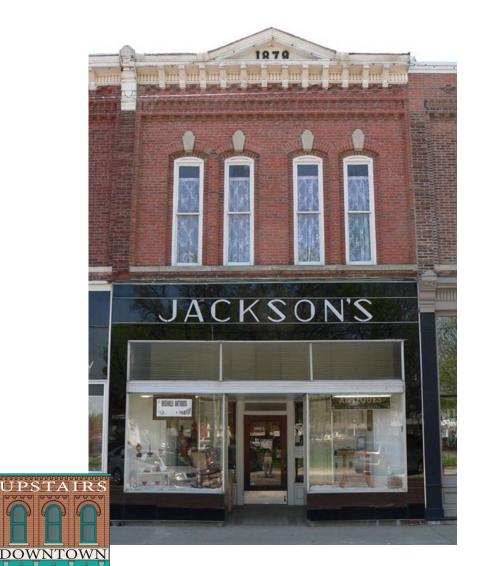
#### FIRE PROTECTION

Classification of work
Construction type
Non-combustible?
Change of use or not?
Fire separation between floors



When does work on the second floor affect work on the first floor?

#### FIRE SEPARATION



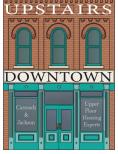
Second Floor Residential

2 Hour Fire separation at floor/ceiling

Fire Floor Commercial

## CODES AND TIN CEIINGS

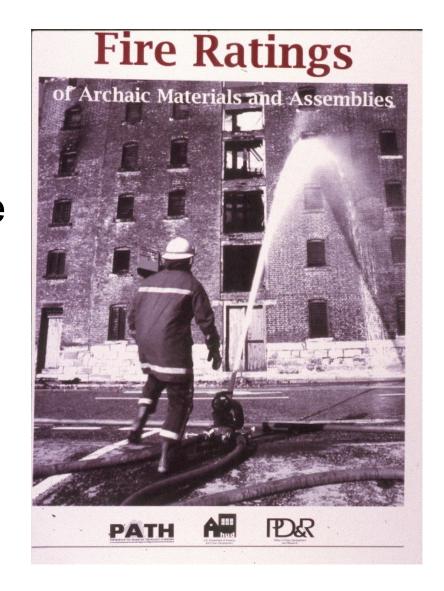


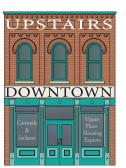


An archaic historic material with a 15-minute fire rating

### FIRE RATINGS OLD MATERIALS

- Fire resistance ratings systems for building materials were the next step in the evolution of fire safety. Many historic and archaic materials were built before the modern rating systems were established.
- IEBC Resource A



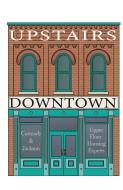


www.huduser.org/portal/publications/destech/fire.html

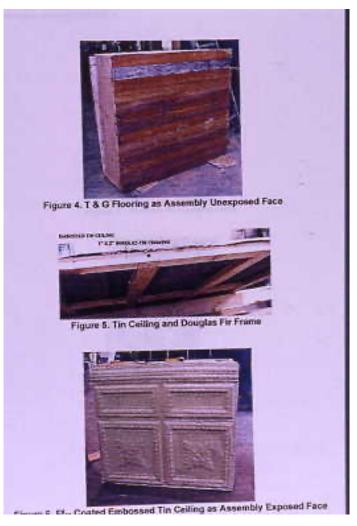
#### CODE – SPRINKLERS

- IEBC Historic Buildings
- 1005.4 Occupancy separation
  - Occupancy separation of one hour omitted for buildings with approved sprinkler system throughout.

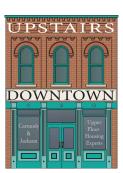




#### TIN CEILING 2 HR RATING



- Remove and reinstall over a new 1Hr rating.
- 2. Cover with an intumescent paint,
- 1 + hr separation
- 3. Increase rating on second floor



www.firefree.com/assembliesdrawings.php#WoodFloorCeiling2Hr

#### PERFORMANCE COMPLIANCE

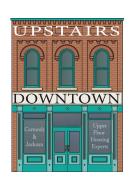
IEBC – Chapter 13

Method of quantifying safety improvement Less prescriptive

Requires written report by a design professional

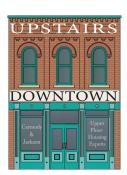
The role of the architect

The role of the code official



#### PERFORMANCE COMPLIANCE

SAFETY PARAMETERS	FIRE SAFETY (FS)	MEANS OF EGRESS (ME)	GENERAL SAFETY (GS
1301.6.1 Building Height 1301.6.2 Building Area 1301.6.3 Compartmentation			
1301.6.4 Tenant and Dwelling Unit Separations 1301.6.5 Corridor Walls 1301.6.6 Vertical Openings			
1301.6.7 HVAC Systems 1301.6.8 Automatic Fire Detection 1301.6.9 Fire Alarm System			
1301.6.10 Smoke control 1301.6.11 Means of Egress 1301.6.12 Dead ends	* * = *		
1301.6.13 Maximum Exit Access Travel Distance 1301.6.14 Elevator Control 1301.6.15 Means of Egress Emergency Lighting	***		
3412.6.16 Mixed Occupancies 3412.6.17 Automatic Sprinklers 3412.6.18 Standpipes 3412.6.19 Incidental Accessory Occupancy		**** +2 =	
Building score — total value			

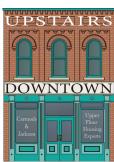


\* = = "No applicable value to be inserted.

# EGRESS REQUIREMENTS

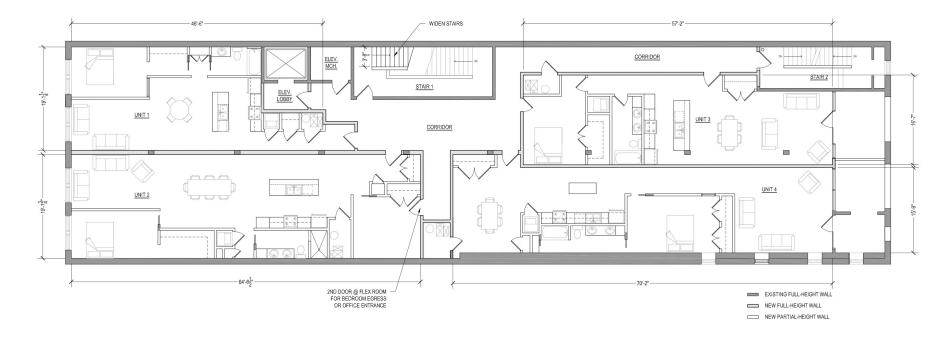


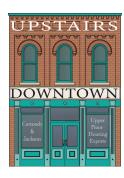
Three-story buildings require two means of egress from the third floor. Exits must have a direct connection to a public right-of-way.



#### EGRESS REQUIREMENTS

# Two-story, single exit permitted for up to 4 units



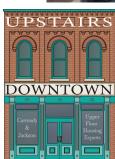


Note: Second staircase at the rear is needed for the third – fifth floors.

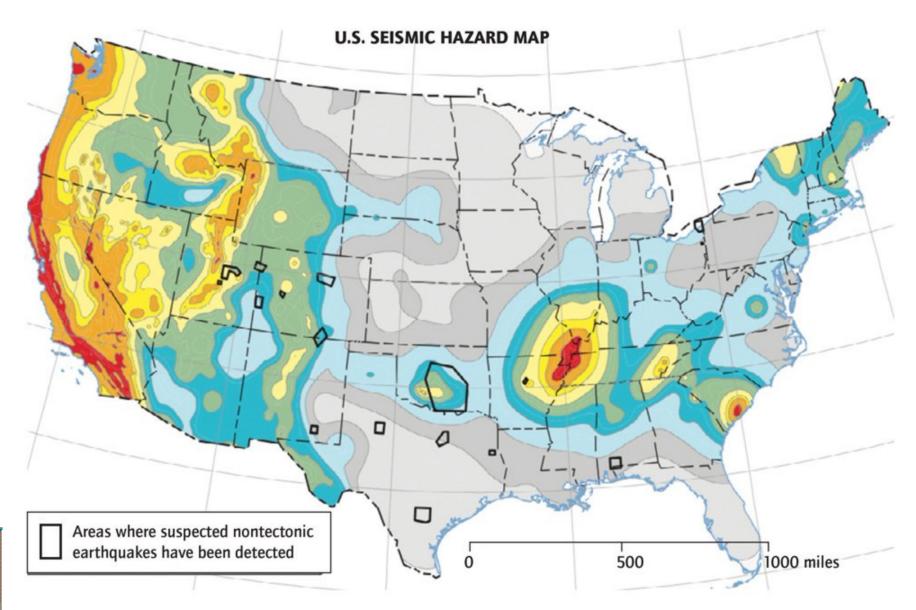
# THREE FLOORS, ONE EXIT?

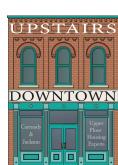


Third floor unit has entry foyer on the second floor (duplex) Rear balcony as an "area of refuge"



# SEISMIC HAZARD MAP

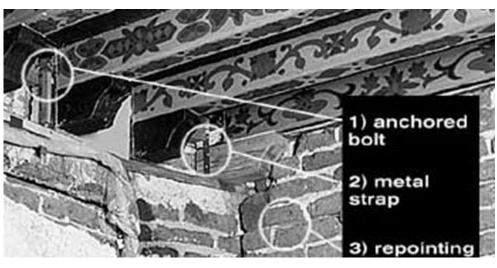


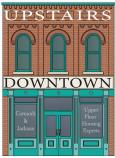


### SEISMIC RETROFIT

Structural System Trigger Expenditures based upon assessed value



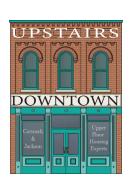




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# BUILDING ACCESSIBILITY The Elevator Question

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)
Applies to public accommodations
Is retroactive starting in 1990
Readily achievable test (economics)
State Accessibility Codes Building
Permit "trigger"



# BUILDING ACCESSIBILITY ADA

Elevator **not** required for buildings less than three stories if:

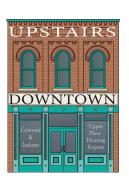
Under 3,000 sq. ft. except for:

Shopping center

Medical office

**Transit Facilities** 

ADA does not apply to housing

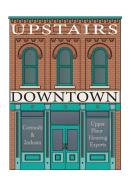


#### BUILDING ACCESSIBILITY

Fair Housing Act (1991)

#### Does not apply to older buildings.

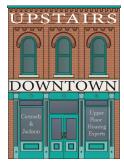
The Act requires all newly constructed multi-family dwellings of four or more units intended for first occupancy after March 13, 1991, to have certain features: an accessible entrance on an accessible route, accessible common and public use areas, doors sufficiently wide to accommodate wheelchairs, accessible routes into and through each dwelling...



# BUILDING ACCESSIBILITY ICC Codes

Type A Units, Fully accessible kitchens and baths
Type B Units, Adaptable for conversion to Type A
One Type A unit is required for buildings with 20 or more units.

Type B units are required in buildings where people live where there are four or more dwelling or sleeping units. There are exceptions for multi-story units, buildings with no elevators, steep sites and residential buildings required to be elevated because of flood provisions.

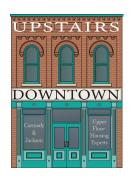


IBC Section 1107.7.1 Structures without elevator service. Where no elevator is provided in a structure, only the units located *on the first floor (if planned) need to be Type B.* 

#### BUILDING ACCESSIBILITY

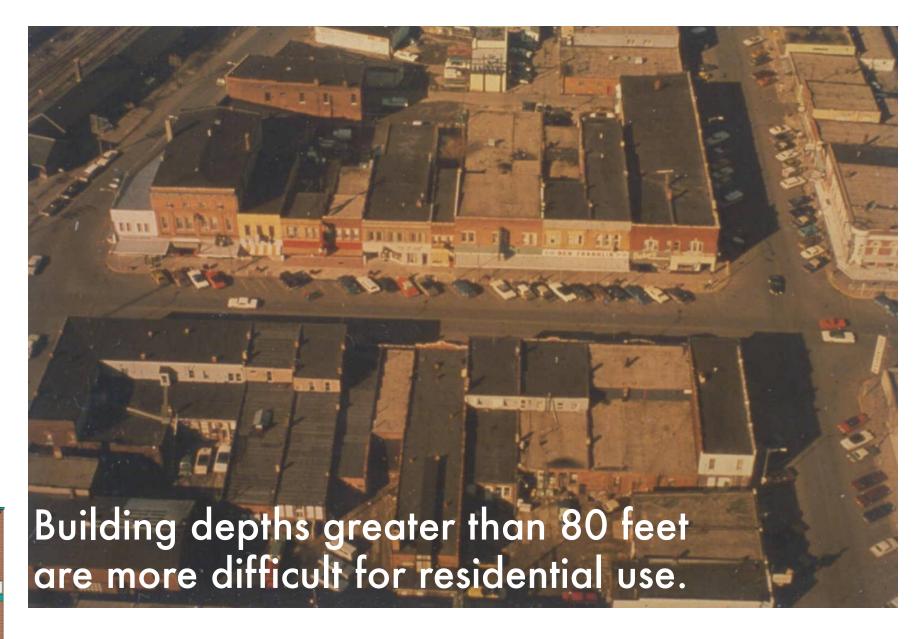
Elevator needed for marketability when:

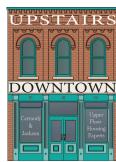
More than three stories
All age marketing
Higher market potential
More than twenty units – ICC
More than ten units – test economics



Two story buildings don't need an elevator to be competitive

#### LIGHT & VENTILATION





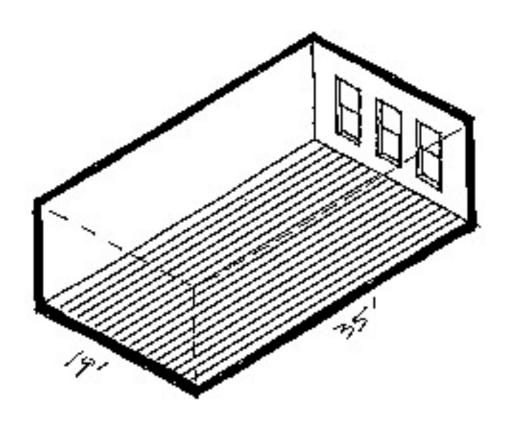
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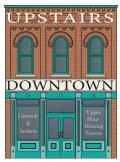
Natural light requirement – 8% of floor area Natural ventilation requirement – 4% of floor area

EXAMPLE
WINDOW AREA

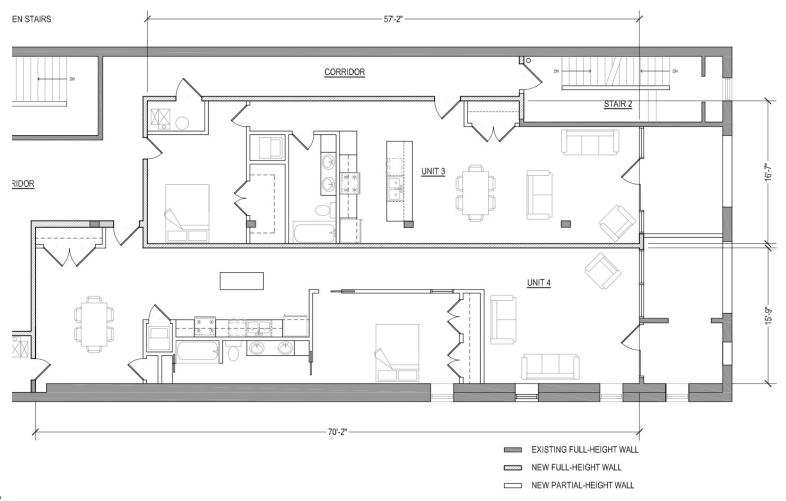
3' X 6' = 18 sq. ft. per window
x 3 windows

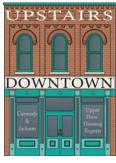
54 sq. ft. of window glazing
27 sq. ft. of vent opening
MAXIMUM ROOM SIZE
54 sq. ft. is 8 % of
675 sq. ft.
ROOM DIMENSION
19' wide x 35' long





#### LIGHT & VENTILATION

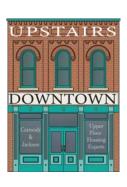




BR Wall open above for "borrowed light and vent." Note: This building is fully sprinklered.

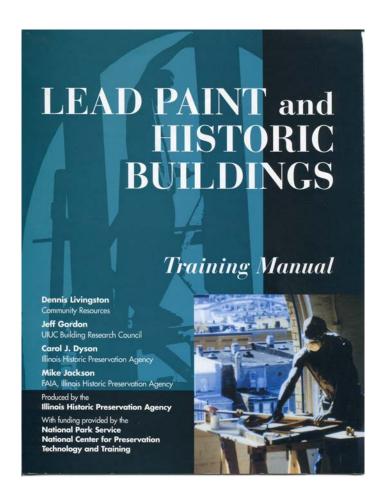
#### ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

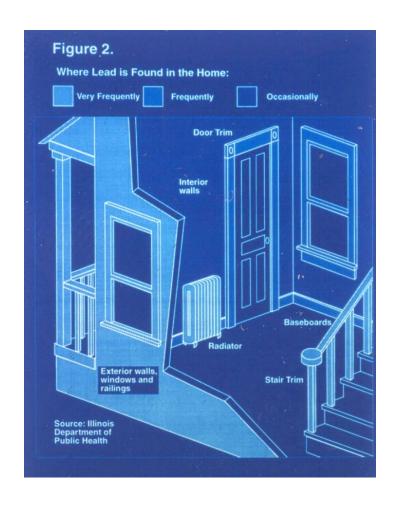
- Asbestos
- Lead Paint
- Underground storage tanks
- Other
  - Prior industrial use (Sanborn map, history)
  - Bird droppings
  - -Mold

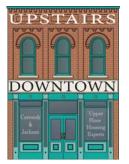


#### LEAD PAINT

#### LEAD PAINT and Historic Buildings

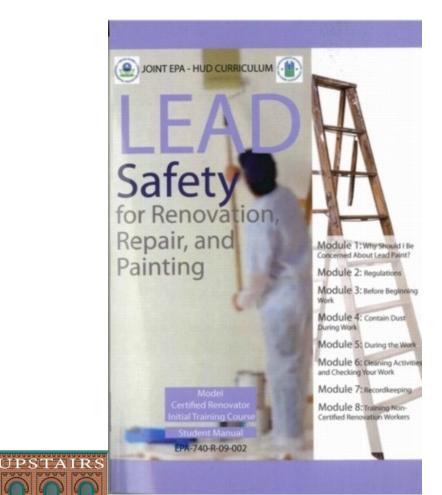






https://www2.illinois.gov/dnrhistoric/preserve/pages/leadpaint.aspx

# EPA Renovation Repair & Painting



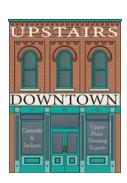
DOWNTOWN

Residential units in pre-1978 buildings

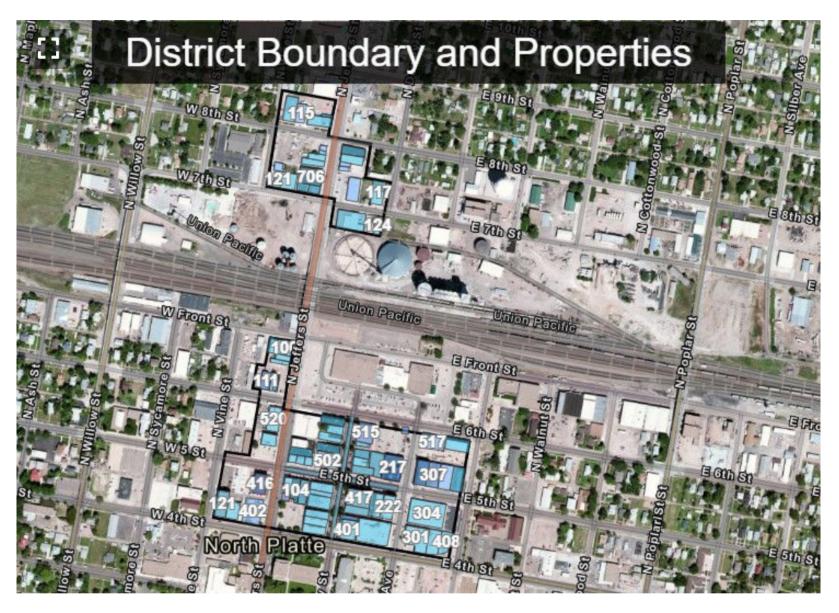
Lead-safe work practices Contractor certification

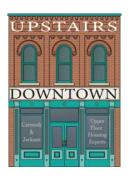
#### HISTORIC CLASSIFICATION

- Historic designation status:
  - National Register of Historic Places
  - Local Landmark
    - Individual listing or
  - Contributing building to a district
  - Eligibility for designation (50 years +)



#### CANTEEN HISTORIC DISTRICT

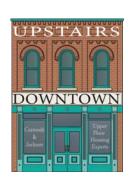




Who is your local preservation expert?

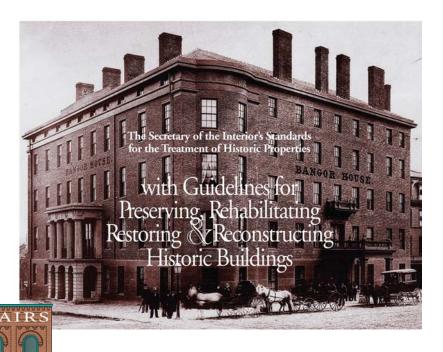
### HISTORIC BUIDING & \$\$\$

- Federal Tax Credits for National Register properties is the largest historic preservation program in the country
- State Tax Credits are really working
- Tax Credits work like a rebate
- Equal to 20% of qualified rehab expenses
- Contact SHPO
- Owner should consult accountant.
- IRS Restrictions apply



#### HISTORIC DESIGN REVIEW

- Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation (Historic Building Code)
- Local commissions review of exterior



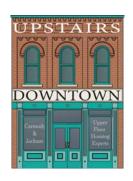
OOWNTOWN

SHPO review if project has state/federal funding, permits or licensing

SHPO review of entire building.

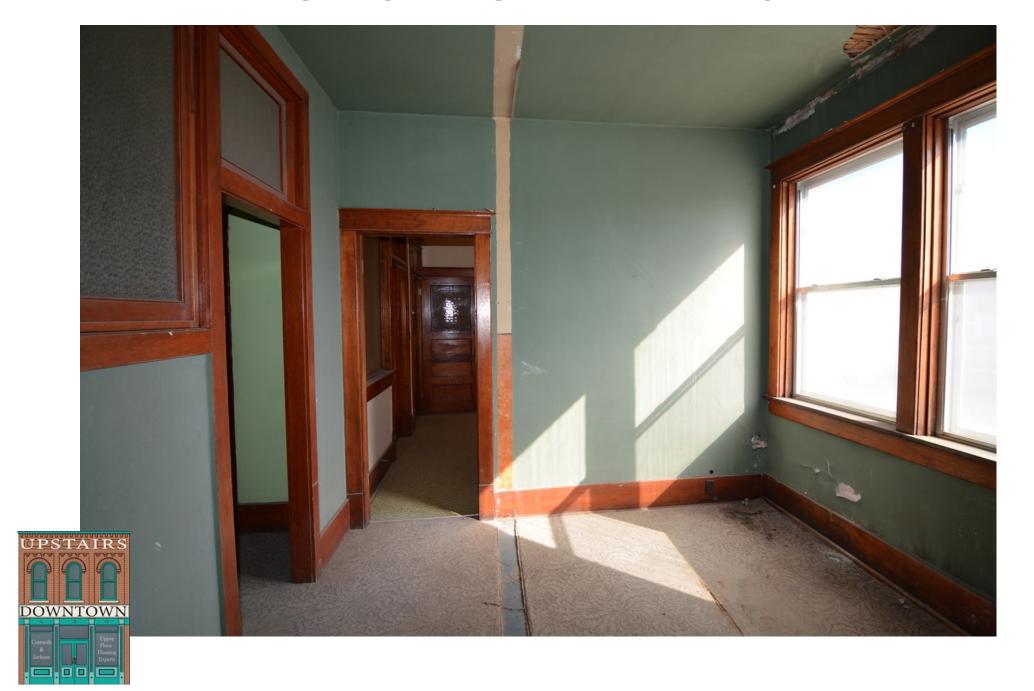
#### ARCHITECTURAL FEATURES



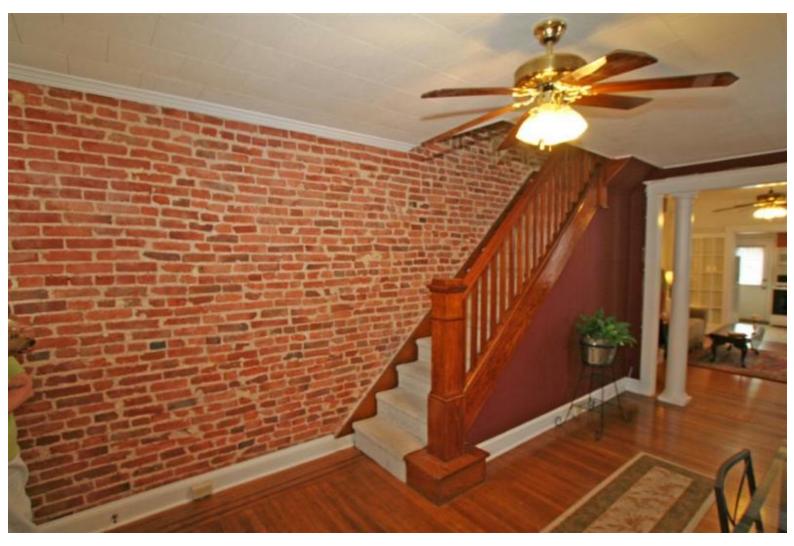


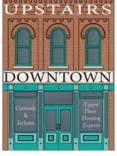
- -Architectural elements
- -Fireplaces
- -High ceilings

# HISTORIC INTERIOR



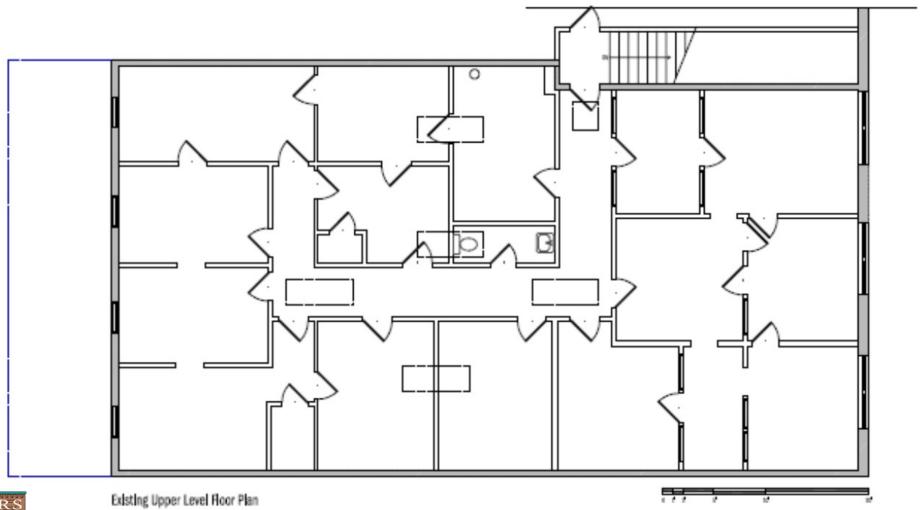
#### ARCHITECTURAL TREATMENT

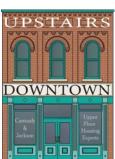




 Exposing the brick in historically finished spaces does not meet Preservation Standards.

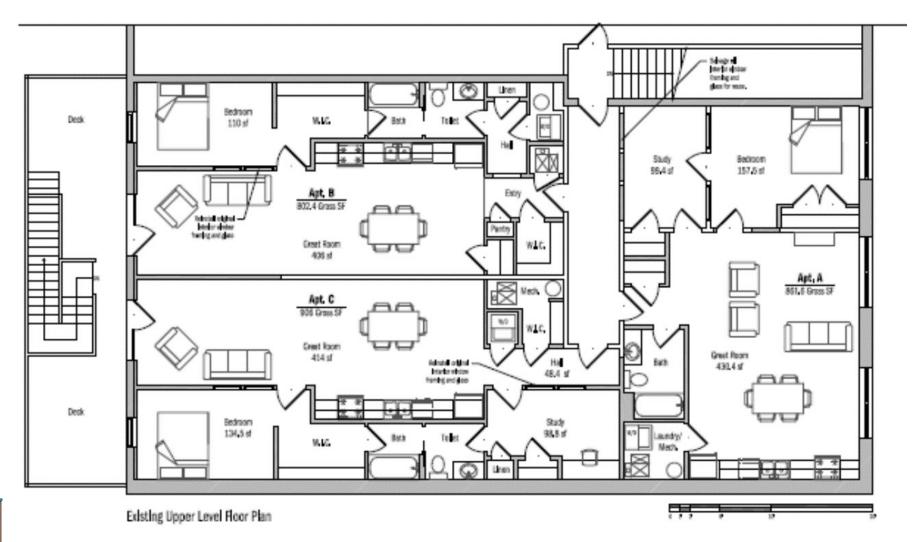
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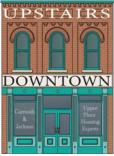




**Existing Plan** 

#### OPEN PLAN CONVERSION

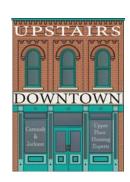




Proposed Plan 3 units plus second stair

#### LIFE CYCLE ASSESSMENT LCA





Quantifying the Value of Building Reuse National Trust for Historic Preservation Preservation Green Lab

#### LIFE CYCLE ASSESSMENT LCA

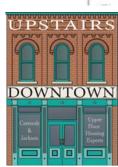
#### Table 12. Number of Years Required for New Buildings to Overcome Climate Change Impacts from Construction Process

According to this study, it takes 10 to 80 years for a new building that is 30 percent more efficient than an average-performing existing building to overcome, through efficient operations, the negative climate change impacts related to construction. This table illustrates the number of years required for different energy efficient, new buildings to overcome impacts.

Building Type	Chicago	Portland
Urban Village Mixed Use	42 years	80 years
Single-Family Residential	38 years	50 years
Commercial Office	25 years	42 years
Warehouse-to-Office Conversion	12 years	19 years
Multifamily Residential	16 years	20 years
Elementary School	10 years	16 years
Warehouse-to-Residential Conversion*	Never	Never

# Main Street Mixed Use

42 – 80 Years



#### **ENERGY EFFICIENCY**

Renovated buildings are just as energy efficient as new construction.



Parks Canada Study

#### CREATING ENERGY EFFICIENT



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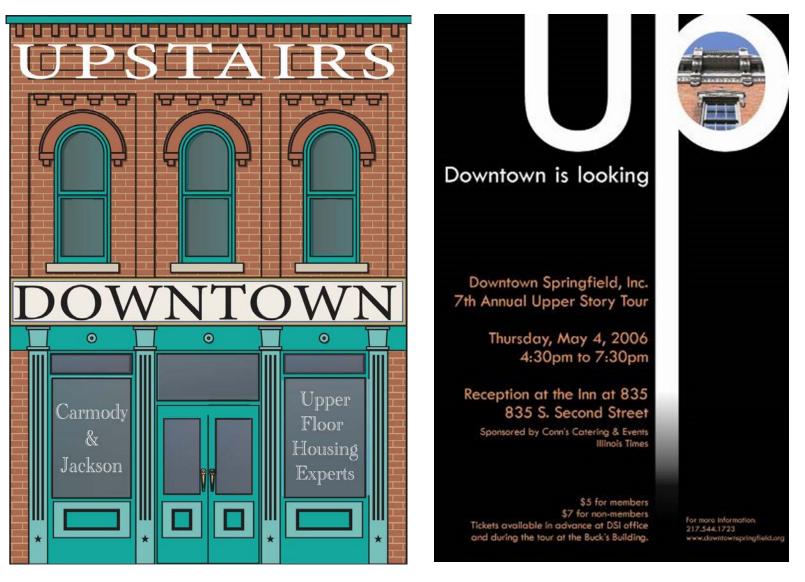
# Reaching Net Zero





Eight inches of insulation inside the brick walls.

#### PROMOTION



Host an Upstairs Downtown tour

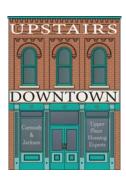
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