

## Thomasville Blueprint

A New Comprehensive Plan for Thomasville

## Welcome



### DOVER, KOHL & PARTNERS

town planning

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# Dover, Kohl & Partners planning and design

# Daedalus Advisory Services economic development

# Hall Planning & engineering transportation planning

Bruce Tolar architecture

# Gallinar Planning housing analysis

Linkscape360 public process

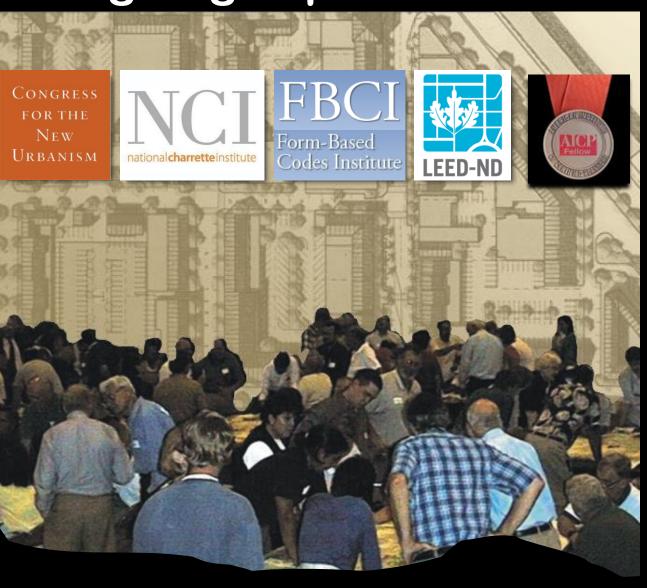
Fontaine Maury branding

Urban Advantage
visualizations

# today's agenda

- welcome & introductions
- schedule
- food for thought
- discussion

#### designing in public



Hammond LA Ocean Springs MS Mobile AL Montgomery AL Jean Lafitte LA Key West FL East Port of Spain, Trinidad Hercules CA Siloam Springs, AR Port Royal SC Chattanooga TN **Boulder CO** Antigua, Guatemala Woodford County KY Istanbul Turkey Buena Vista CO Fayetteville AR Flagstaff AZ l'On SC Maui HI Jeddah, Saudi Arabia Carlsbad CA Tbilisi Republic of Georgia Arlington VA

DKP has 30 years of experience

#### City Planning is:

- 1. An aid to the man in the street to visualize his city properly planned;
- 2. A practical, sensible way of providing a place for everything with everything in its place;
- 3. An instrument for uniting citizens to work for the city's future...

John Nolen, 1926 Comprehensive Plan San Diego, CA

#### draft Comprehensive Plan Elements

- 1. Land Use
- 2. Urban Design
- 3. Downtown
- 4. Transportation
- 5. Public Facilities
- 6. Housing
- 7. Economic Development
- 8. Historic Preservation
- 9. Health
- 10. Sustainability

## project timeline



#### OPEN HOUSE PRESENTATIONS MAY 9-12 @ 5:30 PM

BE A PART OF THE FUTURE OF THOMASVILLE: BLUEPRINT 2028

#### **Open House Presentations**

Tuesday. May 9 - Friday. May 12  $\mid$  5:30 - 7:30 PM  $\mid$  Presentations each night at 6 PM Working with town planners, city officials, and other members of the community, this will be a unique opportunity for

residents and stakeholders to give their input, discuss initial concerns, learn about the process, and help develop plan goals.

Don't live or work in a Focus Area, or can't make the meeting for your Area? Not a problem. Community members can attend any or all sessions - we want to hear from you!









#### Open House: 1

May 9, 5:30 - 7:30 PM Council Chambers 144 East Jackson Street

#### Open House: 2

May 10, 5:30 - 7:30 PM Thomasville Community Resource Center 501 Varnedoe Street



#### Open House: 3

May 11, 5:30 - 7:30 PM First Missionary Baptist Church 110 West Calhoun Street

#### Open House: 4

May 12, 5:30 - 7:30 PM Douglas School Complex Cafeteria 115 Forrest Street

#### SEE WWW. THOMASVILLE. ORG FOR MORE DETAILS

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## schedule for the week

## in the fall

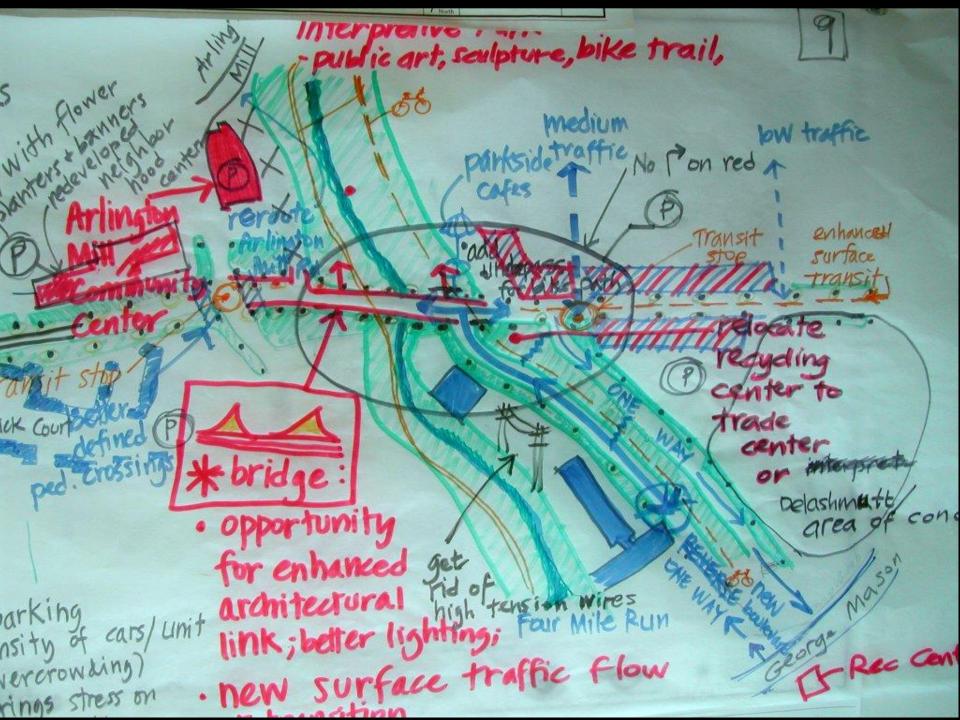
September 18 to 22

### hands-on design session



Coming this fall...





#### open design studio









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#### work-in-progress presentation



Coming this fall....









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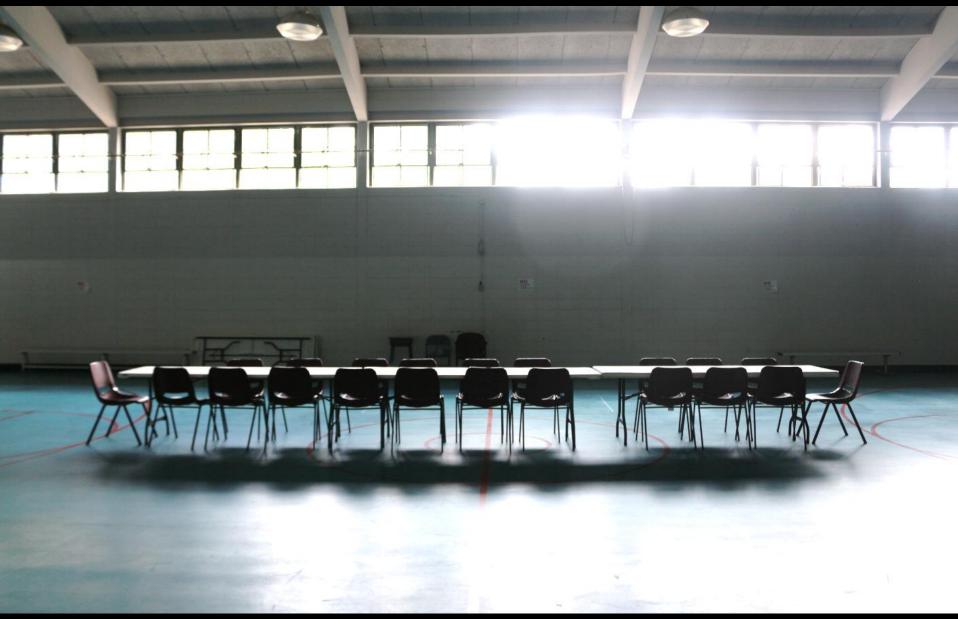


Community Gardens at the Good Shepard Episcopal Church











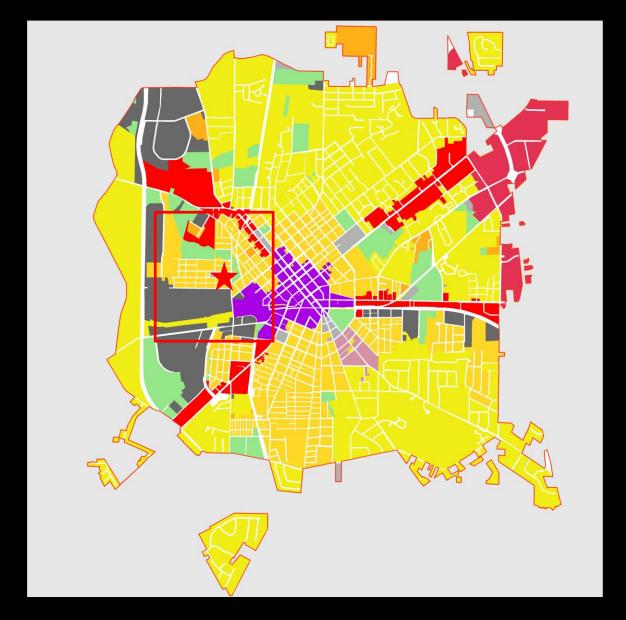




### aerial



#### future land use



Downtown Mixed Use

Commercial

Residential

Multifamily

#### **Hanna Street**

#### Industry (Balfour Lumber)



Civic Douglass School/Museum



**Looking South** 

**Looking North** 

### Pine Hills



Long leaf, Slash & Spruce

"There was a time when we were not comfortable about showing our faces."





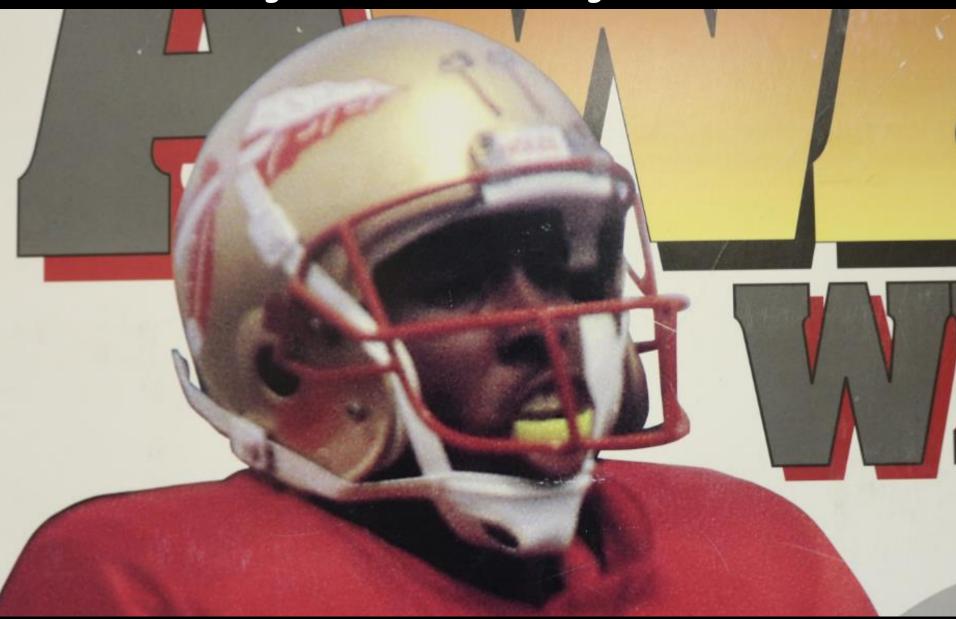
Cathay Williams - First and Only Female Buffalo Soldier



Mr. James Ernest Wright Sr. - First Black Architect in Thomasville - 1916



1963 Miss Douglass High – Betty Jean Andrews

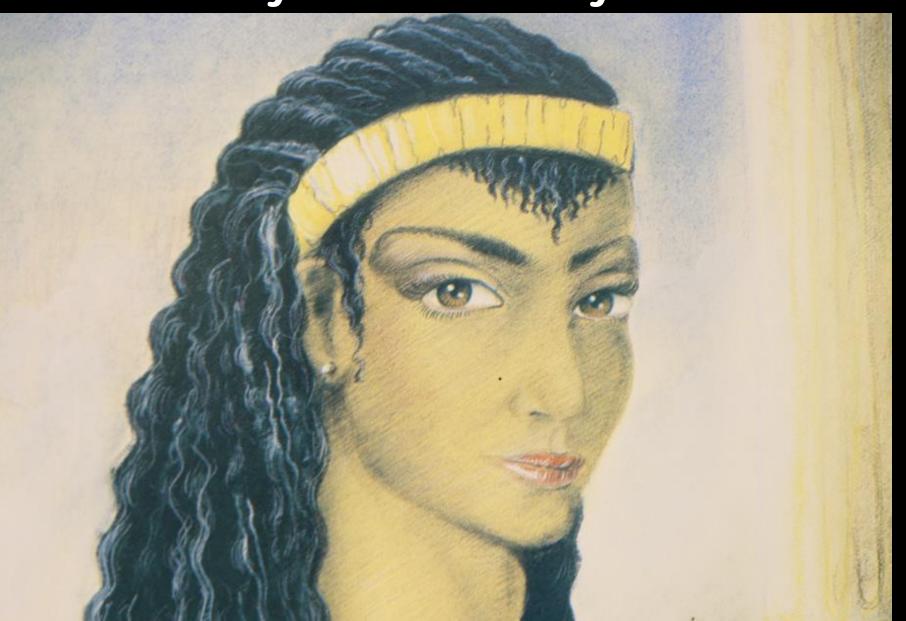




Frank Delaney Jr. –First Black Principal @ Thomas County Central High



Mrs. Juanita Lee Varner – Local School Teacher



Shula, Solomon's Bride - Woman of Beauty and Commitment



Elaine Armster



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## Jack Hadley Black History Museum





Thomas County Museum of History



Jack Hadley Black History Museum

## parks



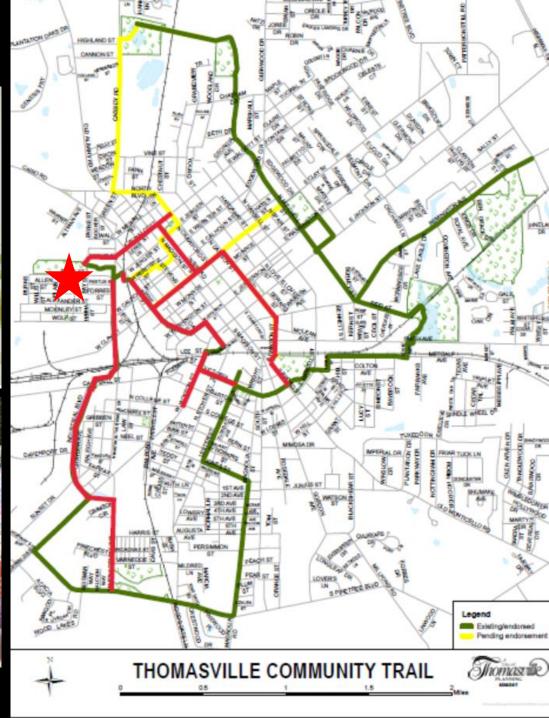
A Work In Progress

### **Francis Weston Park**



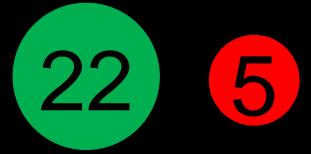


First Splashpad in City



## results from the community image survey













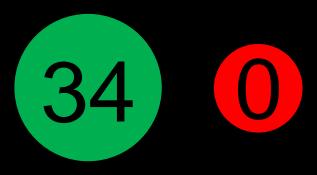




residential single family street









residential multi-family





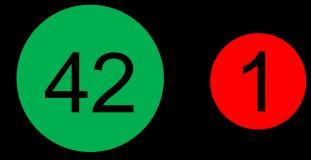


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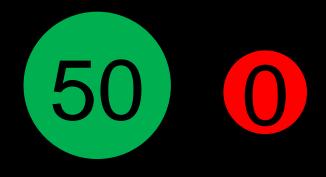






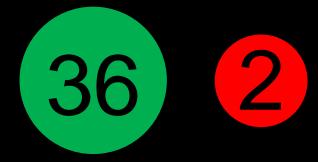
















residential granny flats

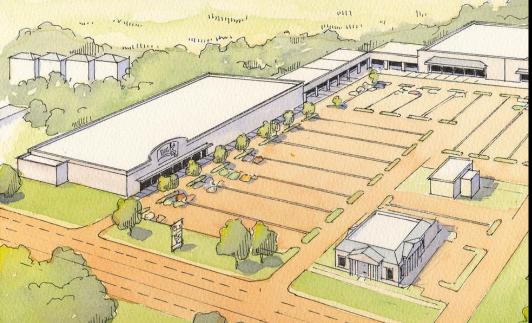












# what is comprehensive planning?





Plan a vacation without leaving home!







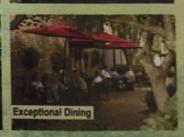












For most attion about all the exciting things happening in Downtown Thomasville call 229-227-7020!

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We approach our engagements from the perspective of enhancing an area's competitive advantage for long term economic sustainability



- Develop competitive advantage
- Answer the question "why"
- Use existing assets, folkways, traditions and natural resources and industries
- Evaluate larger megatrends

## food tourism



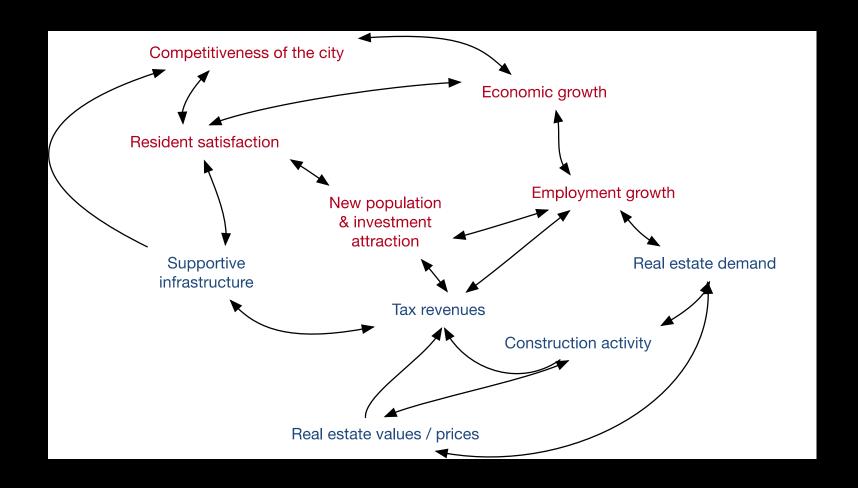
## food tourism



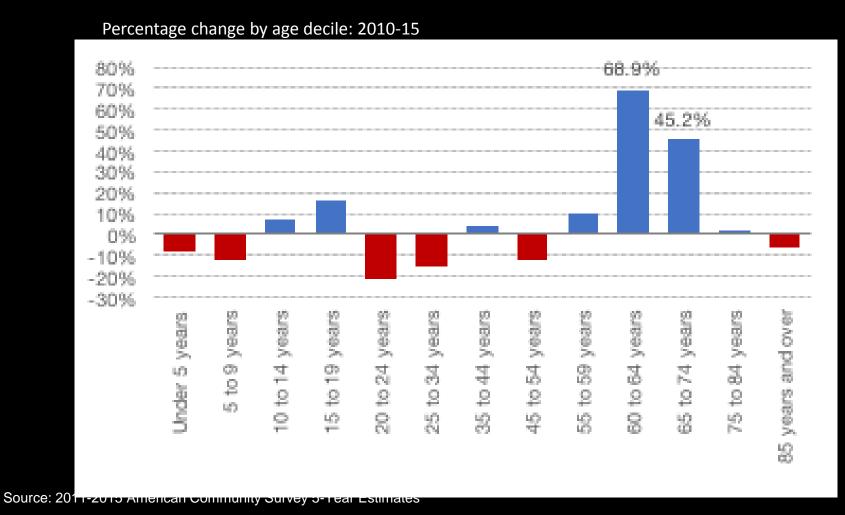
Tasting GREAT FOOD At Rose City



#### An economy is a dynamic set of feedback loops

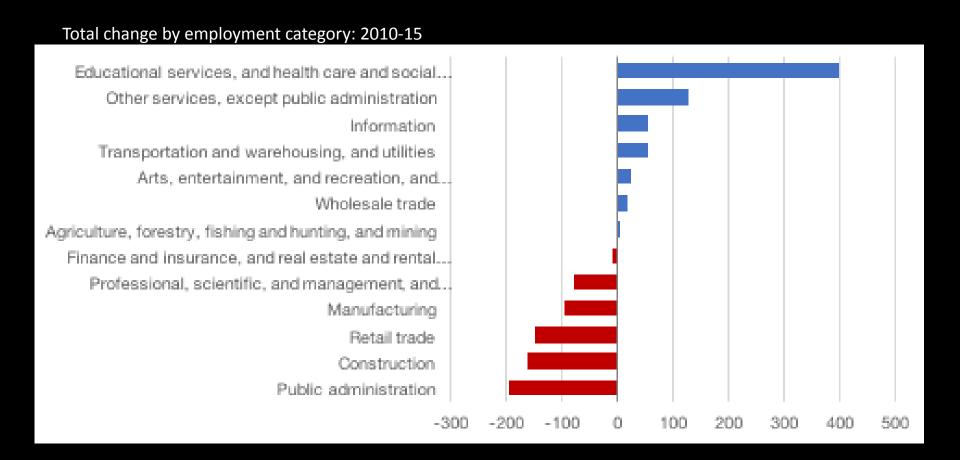


## A quick review of changes over the past five years (2010-2015) shows growth in older demographics



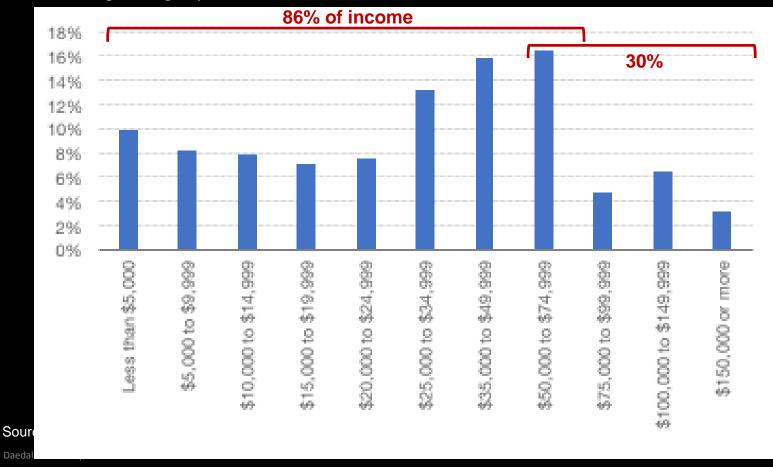


## Employment growth between 2010 and 2015 has been concentrated in services, especially education, health & social assistance

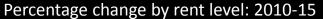


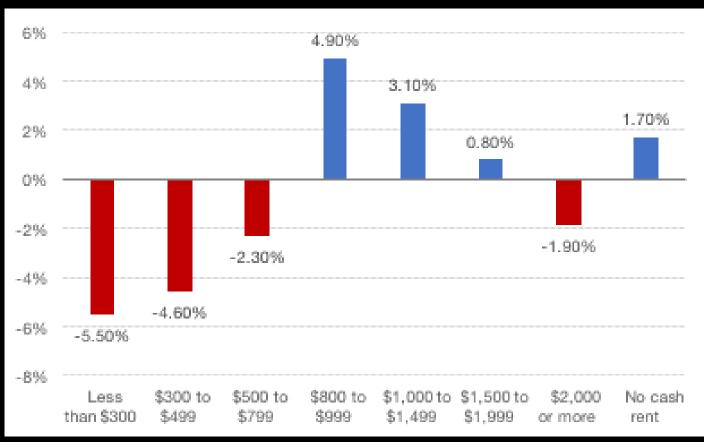
In terms of income allocation, 86% of the population makes under \$75k / year, with 30% above \$50k / year

#### Percentage change by income level: 2010-15



## Looking briefly at housing, rents have shifted toward the middle of the evaluation brackets

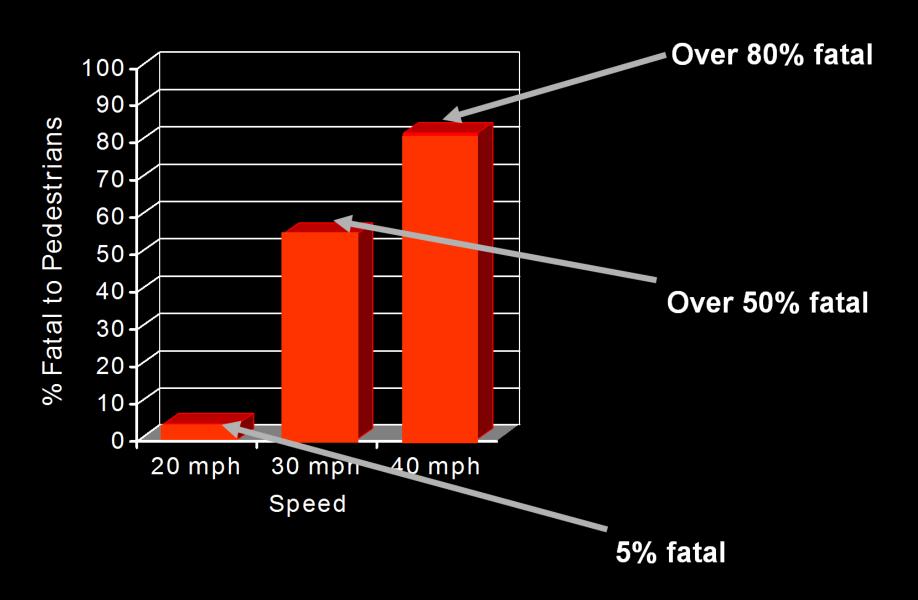




Source: 2011-2015 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates



### pedestrian safety



## mobility





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West Jackson Street



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## Questions & Answers



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