# McElderry Park Revitalization Coalition Byrne Criminal Justice Innovation Data Presentation

November 11, 2013





### Agenda

6:15-6:25	Introductions
6:25-6:50	Presentation of Findings
6:50-7:00	Move to small groups
7:00-7:45	Small Group Discussions
7:45-7:55	Report out by tables
7:55-8:00	Concluding Thoughts

### Planning Phase

### Project Details for Phase 1

3-Stages

- Community Organizing and Mobilizing Residents and Stakeholders
- Data Collecting Speaking with residents to assess community concerns
- Program Implementation Funds evidence-based programs

### **Review BCJI Planning Grant Resources**

- We are finalizing Phase I
  - Planning
  - Data-Driven approach to finding community solutions
- Budget for Phase II
  - Between \$235,000 \$325,000 for programming
  - Specific guidelines on what BCJI funding will support

### Key is leveraging partner resources

McElderry Park Community Amazing Grace Lutheran Association

Church

Southeast Police District

**Banner Neighborhoods** 

East Monument Main

Safe Streets East

Mayor's Office of Criminal

Street

Julie Community Center

**Justice** 

Monument McElderry Fayette Revitalization Plan Charm City Clinic

**Environmental Justice** Partnership

Monument Street Merchants Association **Baltimore Development** Corp

Johns Hopkins University

Baltimore Neighborhood Indicators Alliance

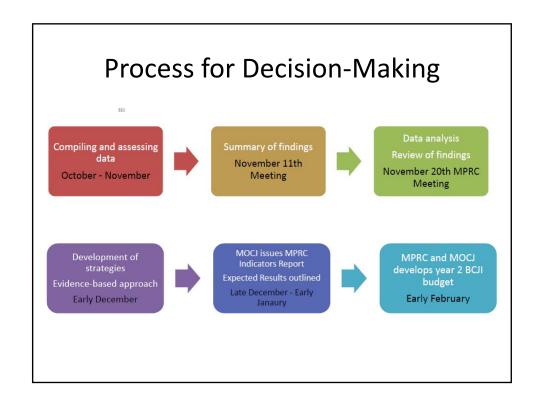
Historic East Baltimore **Community Action** Coalition

Coalition to End Childhood **Lead Poisoning** 

### **Evidenced-based Programs & Practices**

### What is it?

- Learning from others
  - Program: Specific set of activities for a defined purpose
    - Example: "Safe Streets"
  - Practices: Similar strategies that aim to address specific issue
    - Example: Mentoring
- Elements from other programs that make them "work"



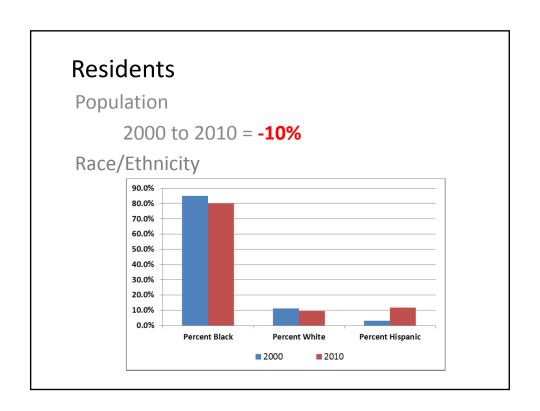
### Data Gathering & Analysis

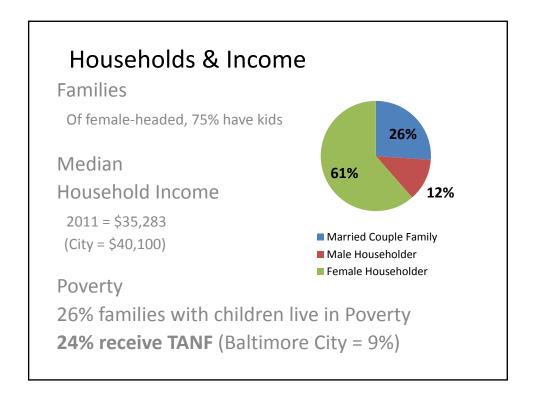
- Community Indicators/Mapping/Data Analysis
  - Reduce crime in & around hotspots
- Focus Groups
  - Address factors causing crime

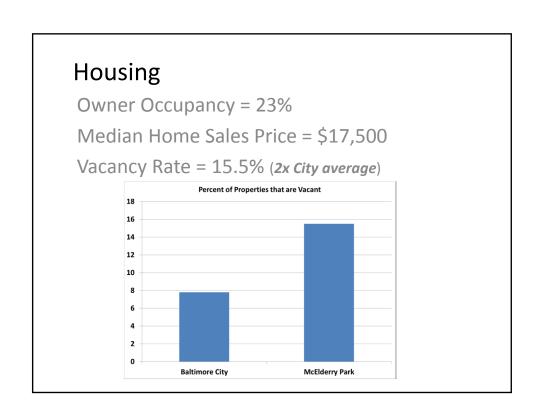
# Research is a Collaborative Process Data/ Evaluation Potential Solutions Community Feedback

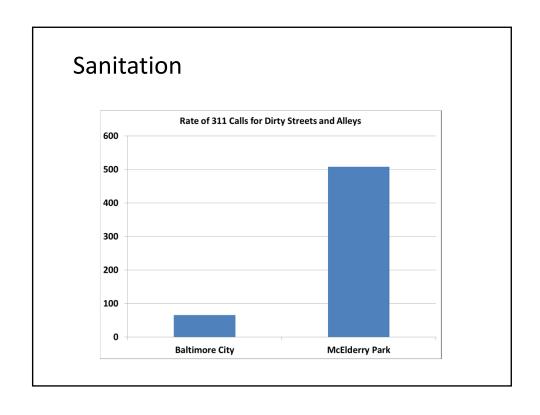
# What is the Data Profile for McElderry Park?

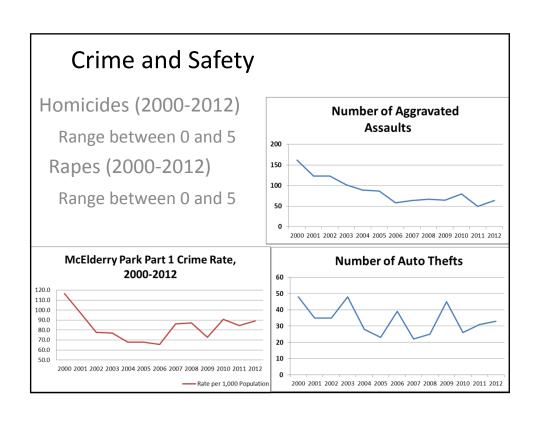
- Population
- Families and Poverty
- Housing
- Sanitation
- Crime and Safety

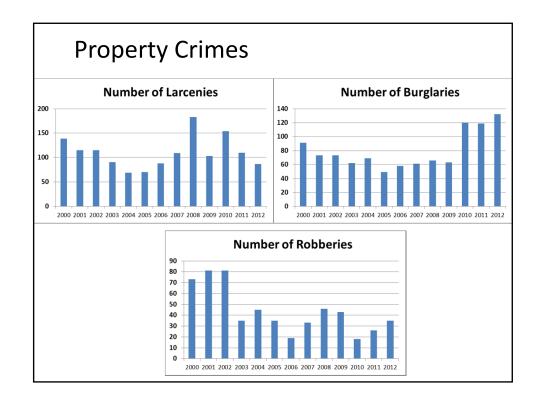


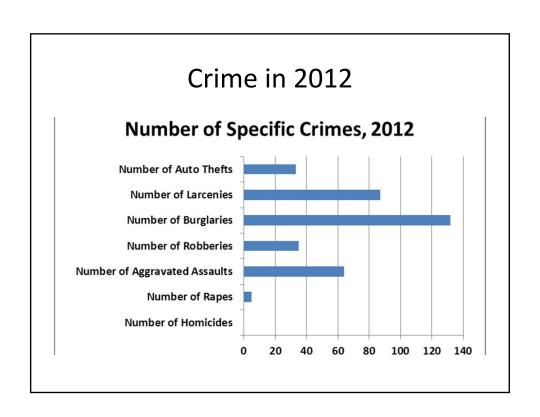












## What Did We Learn from Focus Groups?

- Outreach to all stakeholders
- 8 focus groups; 40 people
- What are the main issues in this community?

### **Top Resident Concerns**

- 1. Physical Disorder
- 2. Crime & Safety
- 3. Law enforcement relations & response
- 4. Lack of employment
- 5. Lack of youth programs/activities
- 6. Nuisance issues
- 7. Community relations
- 8. Large social issues
- 9. Health & safety
- 10. Community resources

### **Issues Raised**

- Physical Disorder
  - Cleanliness of community
  - Vacant buildings
  - Accountability
  - Message sent to others
- Crime & Safety
  - Crime attractors
  - Range of crime types
  - Fear of crime
  - Impact on businesses
  - Merchant involvement

### **Issues Raised**

- Law enforcement
  - Lack of resources; inconsistency
  - No sense of urgency
  - Relationships with residents
  - Police perception of residents
- Lack of Employment
  - Overall lack of opportunities
  - Criminal records; rejection
  - Career training not linked to jobs
  - Lack of entrepreneur opportunities
- Lack of Youth Programs & Activities
  - Criminal records
  - Lack of positive and consistent mentors
  - Negative community influences
  - No safe place to play

### **Solutions**

- Physical Disorder
  - Enhance landlord & resident accountability
  - Incentive programs
  - More resources
  - Involve youth
- Crime & Safety
  - Improve lighting
  - Cameras
  - Community policing; foot patrol; night patrol

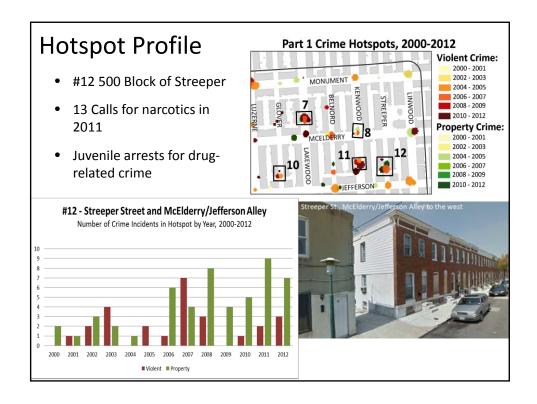
### **Solutions**

- Law Enforcement
  - Training to improve relations
  - Community policing; foot patrol
- Employment
  - Program focused on those with criminal records
  - Training linked to jobs
  - Entrepreneurial programs
  - Educational resources
- Youth Programs & Activities
  - More programs; community center
  - Improvement of local playground
  - Positive role models; mentorship

### **Crime Mapping**

- Analysis of violent and property crimes, 2000-2012
- 911 calls for service
- Juvenile and drug-related crimes
- 311 calls for trash
- Code Violations, vacant housing
- Built environment





### **Common Themes**

- Nuisance Uses
  - Liquor Stores
- Physical Disorder
  - Vacant Housing
- Social Disorder
  - Clear relationship between calls for narcotics and hotspots
  - Juvenile arrests for drug-related crims
- Places of Opportunity
  - Schools (Tench Tilghman and William Paca)
  - Library
- Design
- Major Streets/Alleys
  - Businesses (Monument Street corridor/Orleans Street)
  - Narrow alleys in residential areas
- Community

### **Solutions**

- Citizen calls for narcotics should be monitored
- Support New Zoning Code to De-densify liquor stores
- Implement all strategies in Vacants to Value including strategic demolition
- Community Clean-Ups
- Better Security around Schools, Libraries, Parking Lots
- More Streetlights
- Support and Develop Block Captains

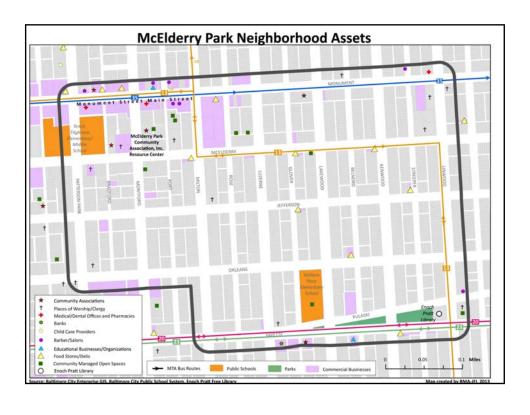
### **Coordinating with Other Studies**

- Well-Being of Adolescents in Violent Environments (WAVE)
  - 62.2% of youth surveyed in McElderry Park feel Unsafe or Very Unsafe in the neighborhood
  - 56.8% of youth surveyed in McElderry Park say as far as they know, there are gangs in the neighborhood
- Community Health Initiative (CHI)
  - Community Asset Mapping

### **Asset Mapping**

- Identify <u>people</u>, <u>places</u>, and <u>programs</u>
  - Churches
  - Schools
  - Library
  - Transit routes
  - Food stores
  - Salons

- Banks
- Health care centers
- Community managed open spaces (gardens)
- Community organizations/ associations



### **Small Group Discussion**

- Break Out Sessions
  - Take a look at specific hotspots
  - Add to list of solutions
- Review Asset Map
  - Identify more assets

### **Next Steps**

- Review findings with MPRC Steering Committee
- Brief Baltimore City Police Department and other City Agencies
- Respond to proposed solutions from Community and other stakeholders
- Prepare BCJI Phase II program and budget