# LED's Use in the Promise Zone Initiative

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## Background

- Place-based initiatives
  - Broad set of policy domains in a geographic area
- Promise Zones Initiative
  - Competitively awarded designation
  - Interagency team
  - PZ policy domains include: Employment, Investment and business growth, Education, Public Safety, Housing, Health, Community Infrastructure
- Goals most relevant to LED:
  - Promote employment & asset building
  - Increase investment & business growth

## Overview of Promise Zones

Number of Designees	<b>Total 20</b> Urban, rural, and tribal communities Round 1 (2014): 5 Round 2 (2015): 8 Round 3 (2016): 7		
Designation Duration	10 Years		
	Contiguous geography encompassing one or more census tract (exception: Tribal)		
Qualifying Criteria	<i>Population:</i> Urban: 10,000 – 200,000 Rural/Tribal: Less than 200,000		
	Overall poverty rate or Extremely Low Income Rate Urban: At or above 33% Rural/Tribal: At or above 20%; one census tract at or above 30%		
	Local leadership must demonstrate commitment		



#### **Promise Zone Benefits**



Federal staff on the ground to help connect with resources



5 AmeriCorps VISTA members



Preferred access and technical assistance to more than 35 federal programs



## PZ Use of OnTheMap/LODES

- Uses of LODES data
  - Baseline data profiles for comparison areas and PZs
  - Tracking changes over time
  - Inform community development strategies
- Goal-related outcome measures from LODES
  - Employment by sector, job flow
- Additional data
  - Census ACS, ESRI Business Analyst
  - Unemployment rates, LFP
  - Number, location, type of businesses



#### Data for Promise Zones

- Comparison of residence and work area characteristics
  - Data on variation in characteristics
- Visualization of data within PZ boundary
  - Identify areas to target with interventions
- Inflow-outflow data to capture % living and working in PZ (common goal)
- Destination by zip code or Census tract
- "Hypothesis testing" for staff in the field



## Philadelphia PZ Worker Demographics

Jobs by worker characteristics		Residence Area Characteristics	Workplace Area Characteristics
<b>Total Primary Jobs</b>		8,863	50,605
Age	29 or younger	31.1%	22.1%
	30-54	52.8%	58.9%
	55 or older	16.1%	19.0%
Sex	Male	45.0%	37.7%
	Female	55.0%	62.3%
Race	White Alone	36.0%	63.4%
	Black or AA Alone	55.3%	27.3%
	Asian Alone	6.7%	7.7%



## Philadelphia PZ Worker Characteristics

Jobs by Worker Characteristics	Residence Area Characteristics	Workplace Area Characteristics
Total Primary Jobs	8,863	50,605
Educational Attainment		
Less than HS	8.5%	5.2%
High school or equivalent	18.8%	14.2%
Some college or Associate degree	22.1%	22.3%
Bachelor's or advanced degree	19.6%	36.3%
NA (workers aged 29 or younger)	31.1%	22.1%
Monthly Earnings		
\$1,250 or less per	23.1%	11.5%
\$1,251 to \$3,333	42.2%	25.9%
> \$3,333	34.7%	62.6%

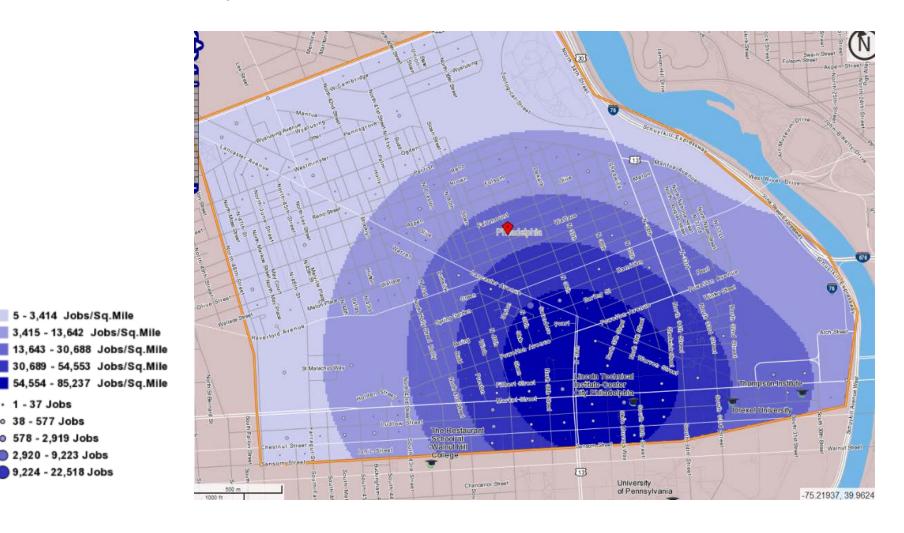


# Philadelphia Promise Zone Jobs by NAICS Industry Sector (Top 5)

Residence Area Characteristics		Workplace Area Characteristics	
Educational Services	12.3%	Educational Services	51.3%
Health Care and Social Assistance	22.8%	Health Care and Social Assistance	29.6%
Accommodation and Food Services	9.1%	Accommodation and Food Services	6.0%
Retail Trade	8.9%	Other Services (excluding Public Administration)	2.8%
Administration & Support, Waste Management and Remediation	7.8%	Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	2.7%



### Philadelphia Promise Zone: Work Area

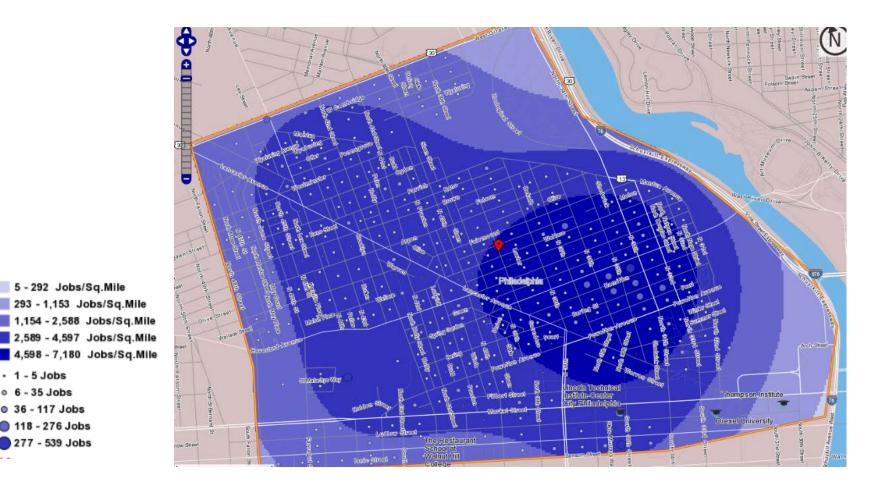


9,224 - 22,518 Jobs

- 37 Jobs - 577 Jobs 578 - 2,919 Jobs 2,920 - 9,223 Jobs

- 3,414 Jobs/Sq.Mile

### Philadelphia Promise Zone: Home Area



# Policy/Programmatic Uses

- How have we used the data? How is this information relevant to program implementation/ evaluation?
  - Highlights locations where workers are concentrated
  - Differences in racial/ethnic characteristics of those who live and work in zone
  - Progress towards goal to create a place where residents can live and work

## **Analysis Plans**

- Data profiles compiled from LODES and other sources
  - HUD: CPD maps
  - USDA: SNAP retailers, food desert map
  - HHS: Area Health Resources File (HRSA)
  - Census ACS
- Other resources ID'ed through interagency partners
  - Location Affordability Index
  - EPA Smart Locations Database
  - Department of Education, Civil Rights Data Collection



## **Analysis Plans**

- Providing maps and raw data to sites as technical assistance
- Tracking and conducting internal analysis of changes over time in key indicators



#### Recommendations for LODES

- Combine with other data sources so that local communities and analysts can add layers of their own data
- Show hospitals, transit routes (bus, metro)
- Break down inflow-outflow by demographic characteristics and area sub-geos
- Breakdown of monthly income
  - Highest category begins at approximately \$40,000
     (FPL family of 4 = approx. \$23,900)

## Takeaway points from our work

- LODES/OnTheMap is extremely useful for HQ PZ team, designees, and for other HUD programs
  - Block level, easy to access data for custom geos
- Additional functionality to improve use of LODES
  - OTM layers usable in other mapping tools
  - Combine underlying data with other data sources



## Takeaway points from our work

- Other data tools from our indicators can be used in combination with LODES/LEHD
  - CPD maps, USDA maps, other admin data sources
- Limitations for our purposes
  - Lag in available data



# Thank you!

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