## Neighborhoods Indicators Pilot Project

Overview for the Housing Committee December 3, 2008

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## Today's purpose:

- Overview of the Neighborhood Indicators Pilot Project
  - Roster of indicators
  - Pilot neighborhoods
  - Format of tabular reports
  - Describe intensity maps
- Identify next steps
- Get your feedback and recommendations

## Why do we need Neighborhood Indicators?

- We have a lot of timely data, but it's at the wrong geography
  - Monthly employment numbers at the county level
  - Employment by sector for the three-county MSA
- We also have detailed data, but it gets old fast
  - US Census comes once every 10 years
- What we want is something <u>timely</u> and at the <u>right geography</u> to let us know how our neighborhoods are doing

### Public input to date

- Neighborhood Conference (2006)
- Mayor's Neighborhood Roundtable (2007 and 2008)
- Neighborhood Resource Teams retreat (2008)
- Northside Planning Council, East Isthmus Neighborhoods Planning Council
- Public Safety Review Board, Board of Education-Common Council Liaison Committee, Community Services Commission and Community Development Block Grant Commission

## Reminder: This is a pilot

- Roster of indicators is not complete
- Modeling has been done for only a handful of neighborhoods
- The goal is to demonstrate the <u>look and</u> <u>potential uses</u> of a full-scale system
- Feedback from users like you will help refine and improve the package

## How will we use Neighborhood Indicators?

- Better understand our neighborhoods
- Tailor solutions to needs or characteristics
- See trends over time
- Get in to solve problems quickly, effectively and less expensively
- Budgeting and prioritizing funding
  - Operating/capital budget debate
  - Allocation and application processes
  - Develop new policies, measures results

## What is a "Neighborhood"?

- Hard to pick the <u>best</u> geography
  - Aldermanic districts, Zip Codes, census tracts, block groups, neighborhood organizations
- Chose <u>modified</u> neighborhood organization boundaries
  - NH orgs are not wall-to-wall coverage
  - Some are counter to identity or function
  - Some NH org boundaries overlap
  - But... these represent what most people feel is a neighborhood

# How can I access Neighborhood Indicators?

- Go to the Mayor's website:
  - http://www.cityofmadison.com/mayor/
  - Click on "Neighborhood Indicators Pilot Project"

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#### Select a Neighborhood City of Madison

The City of Madison is built on an isthmus between lakes Monona and Mendota, and is renowned for its beautiful scenery. A total of five area lakes and more than 260 city parks create the perfect setting for an abundance of year-round outdoor activities, from hiking, biking, swimming and sailing along with cross-country skiing, snow sailing, and ice fishing.



#### City of Madison

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Basic Area & Population Profile	Value	Мар	Definition
Acres	49,535	map	definition
Housing Units	98,211	map	definition
Total Population	223,778	map	definition
Preschool Age Population	5.2%	map	definition
Youth population	17.5%	map	definition
Age 65 and Over	9.7%	map	definition

#### What's next?

- Going from five neighborhoods to citywide coverage
  - As many as 70 to 90 neighborhoods
  - Modification to neighborhood boundaries needed
- 2. Displaying two years worth of data
  - Start building trend data
- 3. Discuss and incorporate suggestions from users like you

## Any additional thoughts?

- List of indicators
  - What should be added, deleted or changed?
- Format of tabular info
- Format of maps
- Anything else...?

### Contact info:

If you have questions or additional suggestions later...

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