

# Anchor Institutions, the Central City, and Distressed Inner City Communities

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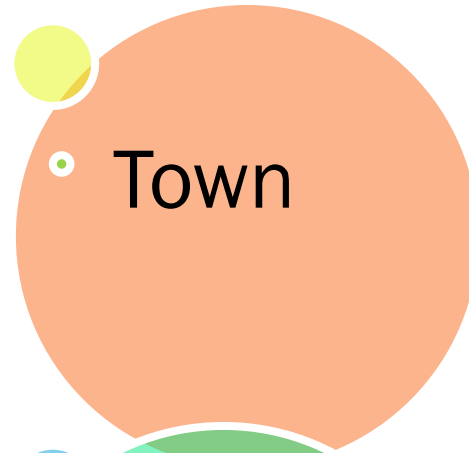
The University at Buffalo  
as an Anchor Institution

Addressing Urgent Social  
and Economic Problems

Lessons Learned



U.B. is not only the flagship of SUNY, but also it is an anchor institution.



Town



Gown

A Tangled Web of  
Mutual Interests

**55% Population Loss since 1950.**

**30% Poverty Rate...**

**40% Male Jobless Rate...**





# UB 2020



The building of a stronger UB is a means of creating more vibrant communities, providing more opportunities for young people and revitalizing downtown Buffalo.



**UB in the House...**





Training Prior to Conducting Surveys



### **A PROGRAM FOR EVERYONE!**

Whether you are a student looking for an exciting challenge in STEM, interested in learning more about career pathways in these fields or are simply looking for summer fun with friends we have a program for you!

Summer programs are available for students at the elementary, middle and high school levels and run July—August 2010. Please visit our website for more information:

**[www.buffalo.edu/pk16/](http://www.buffalo.edu/pk16/)**

#### **Engineering Innovation Station**

Students interact with UB faculty & researchers where experiences are designed to expose, engage, and educate students with regard to fields and paths of study in engineering.



#### **Excelsior Scholars Program**

Students participate in accelerated learning and real laboratory research around the theme *Walbachia: Discovering the Microbes Within*.



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*Contact us for more information re-  
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and program age groups*

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The University At  
Buffalo's Center  
for Educational  
Collaboration  
presents

**Science,  
Technology  
Engineering &  
Mathematics**

**SUMMER STEM  
SERIES**



**SUMMER 2011**

Program venues include  
*The University at Buffalo  
Buffalo Museum of Science  
Tifft Nature Preserve  
Buffalo Niagara Medical  
Campus*

# UB'S PRESENCE IN DOWNTOWN BUFFALO IS GROWING....

THIS WILL TRIGGER \$400 MILLION IN FRUIT BELT/EAST SIDE DEVELOPMENT!!!



WE  
NEED  
YOUR IDEAS

## DEFINE UB'S CONNECTION TO OUR COMMUNITY!!!

Tell us how the community should benefit from UB's growing downtown presence.

**Help Shape the Fruit Belt/East Side's Future!**

Minister Michael Chapman is making a clarion call to all Fruit Belt/East Side residents –We need your ideas! Help develop a Community Benefit Agreement with UB

FEB 21

**The Event: Meeting and Workshop on Developing a Community Benefit Agreement with UB**

Date: Saturday, February 21, 2009 -1:00-4:00 pm

Place: Rev. Dr. Bennett W. Smith, Sr. Family Life Center, 833 Michigan Ave, Buffalo, NY 14203

Building Support for  
the Sale of  
McCarley Gardens



**The Affordable Housing  
Clinic in Action...**







## **Connecting Schooling to Neighborhood Development**





# Our Neighborhood Our Choice ....

The Buffalo Municipal Housing Authority Perry Choice  
Neighborhood Planning Initiative  
2011



## The CAO-UB Community Wellness and Neighborhood Development Center



A steady stream of Fruit Belt residents bring questions and tax forms to the CAO-UB Community Wellness and Neighborhood Development Center on Peach Street, a partnership of the Community Action Organization of Erie County (CAO) and UB's Center for Urban Studies.

The center's four case managers provide information on jobs, health, education and training, community organizing, home improvement and more. Families

also receive services such as food and clothing, income tax preparation, and help finding emergency shelter or a doctor.





## Community Meeting with St. Johns



## Lessons Learned

- **Anchor Institutions are Key to Revitalizing Central Cities and Distressed Neighborhoods**
- **They Will not Automatically Unite and Address Urban Problems**
- **A Member of this Genre must Step Forward to Galvanize and Strategically Focus Other Anchors.**
- **Universities are the most likely to play this role.**
- **HUD Should Encourage them to do this**

Thank You!