Louisville Data Exploration

Data from the city for 2015 and 2019: https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1wC-NelbyhiX3Y_eYwhW7ojdXQ5Mvvfh8?u sp=drive_link

Includes:

- Boundaries like council districts, neighborhoods, block and tracts, etc
- Tree canopy for 2015, 2019, and change in tree canopy
 - Acres, % tree canopy

Whole County Neighborhoods

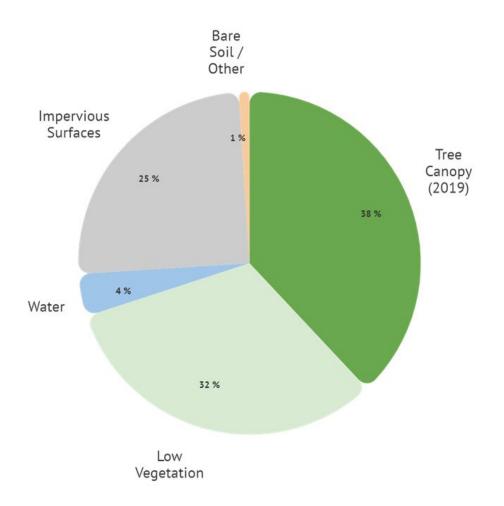
Whole County Neighborhood Land Cover

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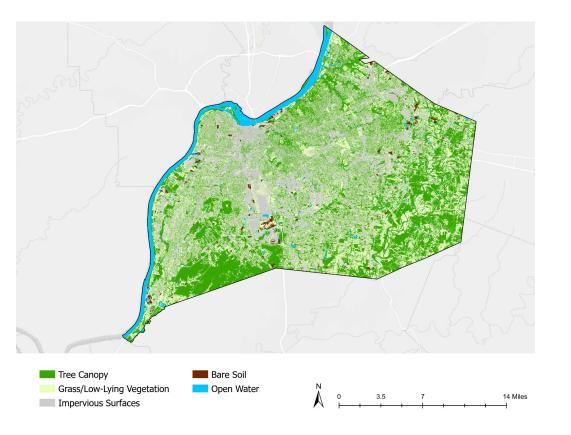
Whole County Neighborhood	Tree Canopy 2012 (ac)	Tree Canopy 2019 (ac)	Change 2012-2019 (ac)	Percent Change 2012-2019
Airport	266.87	222.86	-44.01	-16.49%
Algonquin - Park Hill - Park Duvalle	268.92	322.46	53.54	16.60%
Buechel - Newburg - Indian Trail	1,608.65	1,602.56	-6.09	-0.38%
Butchertown - Clifton - Crescent Hill	1,481.31	1,415.03	-66.28	-4.47%
Calfornia Parkland	263.54	291.65	28.11	9.64%
Chicksaw-Shawnee	819.57	778.60	-40.97	-5.00%
Downtown - Old Louisville - University	309.34	310.07	0.73	0.24%
Fairdale	13,373.02	13,263.00	-110.02	-0.82%
Fern Creek	1,575.56	1,681.66	106.10	6.31%
Floyd's Fork	26,400.08	26,801.77	401.69	1.50%
Germantown	337.94	360.46	22.52	6.25%
Highlands	1,587.03	1,612.48	25.45	1.58%
Highview Okolona	4,435.31	4,622.38	187.07	4.05%
J-Town	4,544.09	4,512.51	-31.58	-0.69%
Northeast Jefferson	17,677.94	18,038.28	360.34	2.00%
Phoenix Hill - Smoketown - Shelby Park	182.81	181.07	-1.74	-0.95%
Pleasure Ridge Park	4,124.58	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	-101.00	-2.45%
Portland	501.49	483.02	-18.47	-3.68%
Russell	230.26		-5.83	-2.53%
Shively	2,460.45	2,469.50	9.05	0.37%
South Central Louisville	615.98	649.11	33.13	5.10%
South Louisville	3,938.81	4,119.03	180.22	4.38%
Southeast Louisville	2,475.97	2,591.19	115.22	4.45%
St. Matthews	1,216.76	1,270.37	53.61	4.22%
Valley Station	3,728.60	3,612.81	-115.79	-3.11%
Total County	94,424.88	95,459.88	1,035.00	1.08%

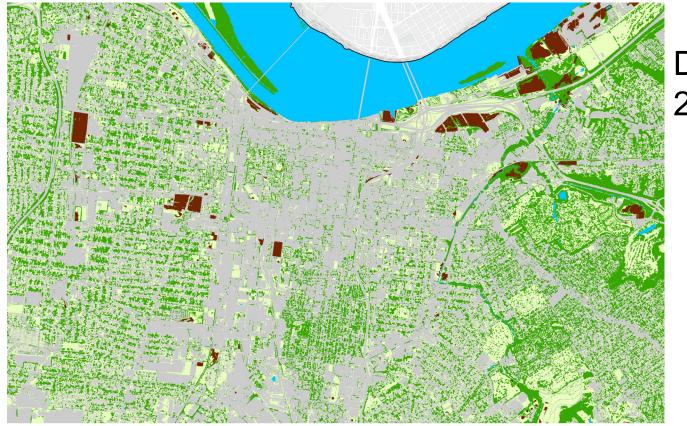
HOW MUCH TREE CANOPY IS IN MY NEIGHBORHOOD?

Whole County Neighborhood		Neighborhood Size		Tree Canopy (2019)		Low Vegetation		Impervious Surfaces		Bare Soil / Other		Water		Tree Canopy (2012)		Change in Tree Canopy	
	Map Key	Acres	% of LVL	Acres	% of NBHD	% of Total Canopy	Acres	% of NBHD	Acres	% of NBHD	Acres	% of NBHD	Acres	% of NBHD	Acres	% of NBHD	Acreage over 7 years
Airport	AIR	4,395.31	1.73%	222.86	5.07%	0.23%	1,294.44	29.45%	2,432.99	55.35%	351.46	8.00%	93.56	2.13%	266.87	6.07%	-44.01
Algonquin - Park Hill - Park Duvalle	A-PH-PD	1,680.74	0.66%	322.46	19.19%	0.34%	407.62	24.25%	941.53	56.02%	7.54	0.45%	1.59	0.09%	268.92	16.00%	53.54
Buechel - Newburg - Indian Trail	B-N-IT	8,720.47	3.43%	1,602.56	18.38%	1.68%	2,737.92	31.40%	4,220.13	48.39%	73.80	0.85%	86.07	0.99%	1,608.65	18.44%	-6.09
Butchertown - Clifton - Crescent Hill	B-C-CH	4,604.30	1.81%	1,415.03	30.73%	1.48%	932.45	20.25%	1,428.72	31.03%	149.13	3.24%	678.96	14.75%	1,481.31	32.30%	-66.28
Calfornia Parkland	CP	1,600.22	0.63%	291.65	18.23%	0.31%	317.13	19.82%	958.52	59.90%	32.81	2.05%	0.12	0.01%	263.54	16.47%	28.11
Chicksaw-Shawnee	C-S	3,311.41	1.30%	778.60	23.51%	0.82%	858.99	25.94%	880.03	26.58%	22.08	0.67%	771.70	23.30%	819.57	24.75%	-40.97
Downtown - Old Louisville - University	D-OL-U	2,373.02	0.93%	310.07	13.07%	0.32%	229.26	9.66%	1,259.78	53.09%	18.26	0.77%	555.65	23.42%	309.34	13.03%	0.73
Fairdale	FD	20,005.40	7.86%	13,263.00	66.30%	13.89%	4,268.81	21.34%	1,928.60	9.64%	335.06	1.67%	209.93	1.05%	13,373.02	66.84%	-110.02
Fern Creek	FC	4,994.01	1.96%	1,681.66	33.67%	1.76%	1,806.00	36.16%	1,477.53	29.59%	17.18	0.34%	11.64	0.23%	1,575.56	31.55%	106.10
Floyd's Fork	FF	54,208.85	21.31%	26,801.77	49.44%	28.08%	21,469.81	39.61%	4,859.05	8.96%	311.40	0.57%	766.82	1.41%	26,400.08	48.70%	401.69
Germantown	GT	2,373.81	0.93%	360.46	15.18%	0.38%	568.10	23.93%	1,418.37	59.75%	21.57	0.91%	5.31	0.22%	337.94	14.23%	22.52
Highlands	HL	4,019.87	1.58%	1,612.48	40.11%	1.69%	1,250.29	31.10%	1,140.60	28.37%	2.73	0.07%	13.77	0.34%	1,587.03	39.48%	25.45
Highview Okolona	но	14,762.93	5.80%	4,622.38	31.31%	4.84%	5,662.35	38.36%	4,216.37	28.56%	122.39	0.83%	139.44	0.94%	4,435.31	30.04%	187.07
J-Town	JТ	15,178.52	5.97%	4,512.51	29.73%	4.73%	5,232.52	34.47%	5,268.37	34.71%	78.82	0.52%	86.30	0.57%	4,544.09	29.93%	-31.58
Northeast Jefferson	NEJ	46,735.12	18.37%	18,038.28	38.60%	18.90%	14,741.16	31.54%	10,516.83	22.50%	619.97	1.33%	2,818.88	6.03%	17,677.94	37.85%	360.34
Phoenix Hill - Smoketown - Shelby Park	PH-S-SP	1,274.99	0.50%	181.07	14.20%	0.19%	200.78	15.75%	854.17	66.99%	37.35	2.93%	1.62	0.13%	182.81	14.34%	-1.74
Pleasure Ridge Park	PRP	12,926.51	5.08%	4,023.58	31.13%	4.21%	4,229.13	32.72%	3,564.94	27.58%	120.10	0.93%	988.76	7.65%	4,124.58	31.91%	-101.00
Portland	PL	2,524.77	0.99%	483.02	19.13%	0.51%	360.25	14.27%	752.67	29.81%	14.47	0.57%	914.36	36.22%	501.49	19.86%	-18.47
Russell	RUS	1,094.04	0.43%	224.43	20.51%	0.24%	212.90	19.46%	623.89	57.03%	32.71	2.99%	0.10	0.01%	230.26	21.05%	-5.83
Shively	SH	9,337.26	3.67%	2,469.50	26.45%	2.59%	2,809.17	30.09%	3,043.70	32.60%	163.36	1.75%	851.53	9.12%	2,460.45	26.35%	9.05
South Central Louisville	SCLVL	2,917.81	1.15%	649.11	22.25%	0.68%	750.59	25.72%	1,506.75	51.64%	6.39	0.22%	4.96	0.17%	615.98	21.11%	33.13
South Louisville	SLVL	10,788.59	4.24%	4,119.03	38.18%	4.31%	3,044.62	28.22%	3,463.70	32.11%	76.80	0.71%	84.44	0.78%	3,938.81	36.50%	180.22
Southeast Louisville	SELVL	8,147.26	3.20%	2,591.19	31.80%	2.71%	2,479.27	30.43%	3,052.94	37.47%	13.78	0.17%	10.08	0.12%	2,475.97	30.39%	115.22
St. Matthews	STM	4,003.62	1.57%	1,270.37	31.73%	1.33%	1,057.08	26.40%	1,659.54	41.45%	3.38	0.08%	13.26	0.33%	1,216.76	30.39%	53.61
Valley Station	vs	12,406.17	4.88%	3,612.81	29.12%	3.78%	4,615.33	37.20%	2,171.22	17.50%	242.19	1.95%	1,764.62	14.22%	3,728.60	30.06%	-115.79



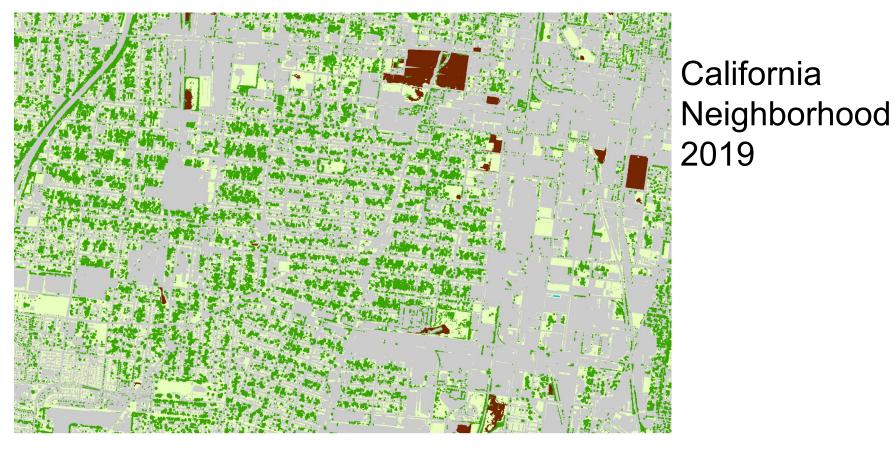
Map of land cover in Louisville 2019



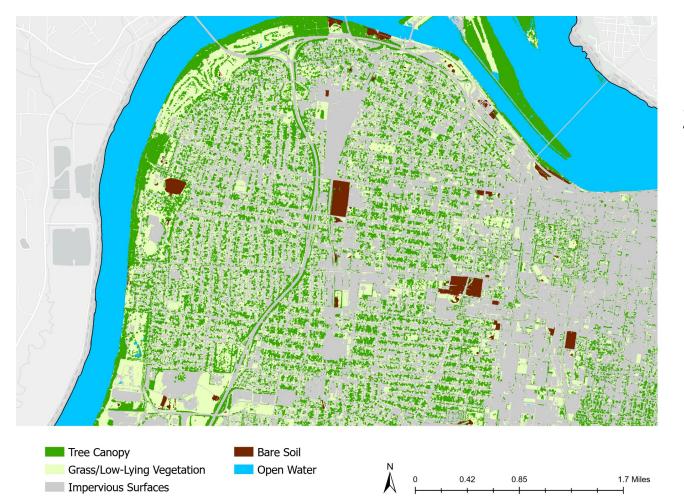


Downtown 2019



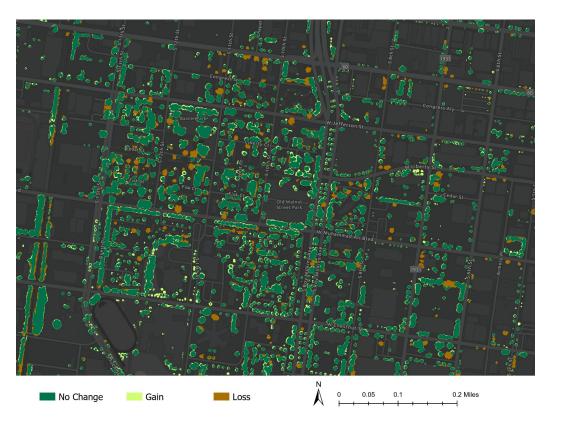




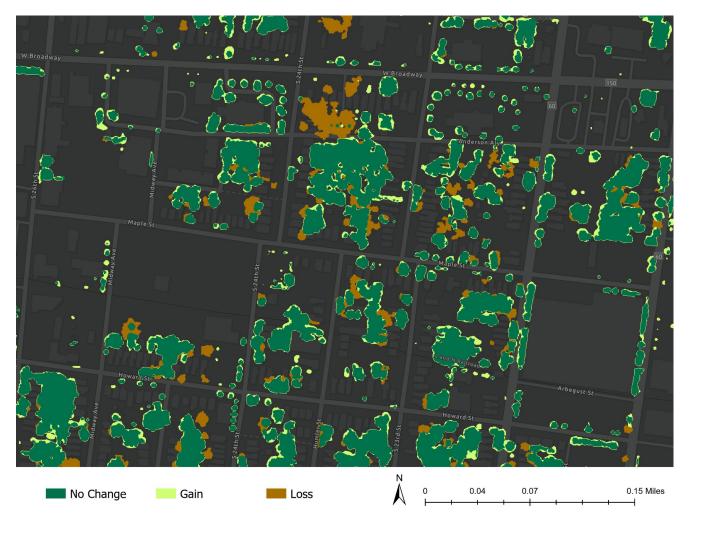


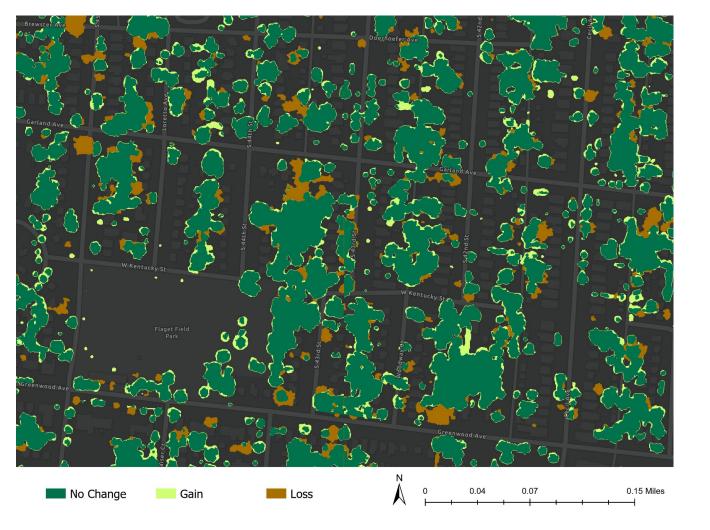
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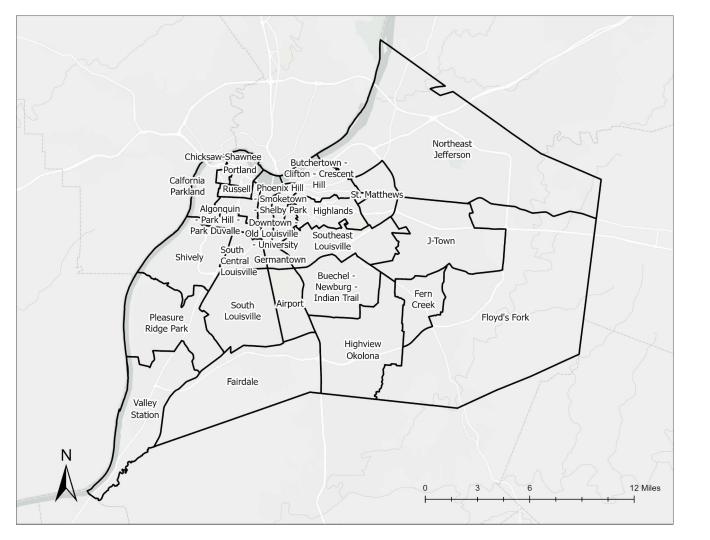
Map of change in tree canopy layer from 2012 and 2019

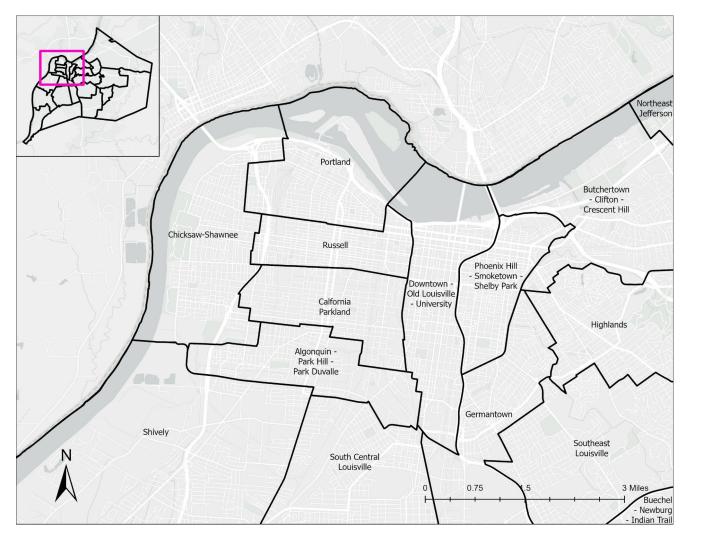














Source: Health Equity Plan document



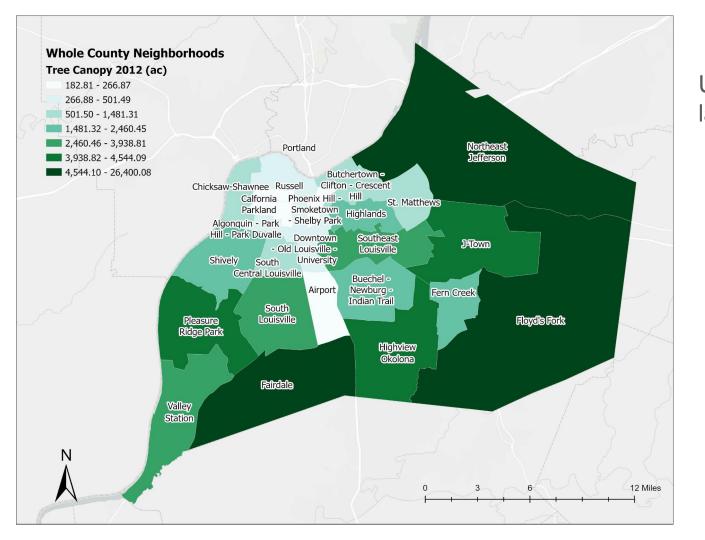
Land Cover 2012

Tree Canopy Impervious Surfaces Grass/Low-Lying Vegetation Bare Soil Open Water

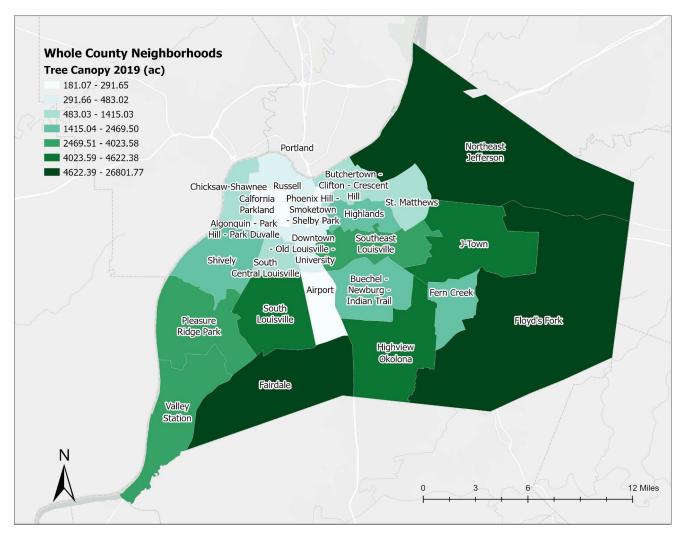


Land Cover 2019

Tree Canopy Impervious Surfaces Grass/Low-Lying Vegetation Bare Soil Open Water



Using the land cover layer



Using the land cover layer

Gloria - Couple things

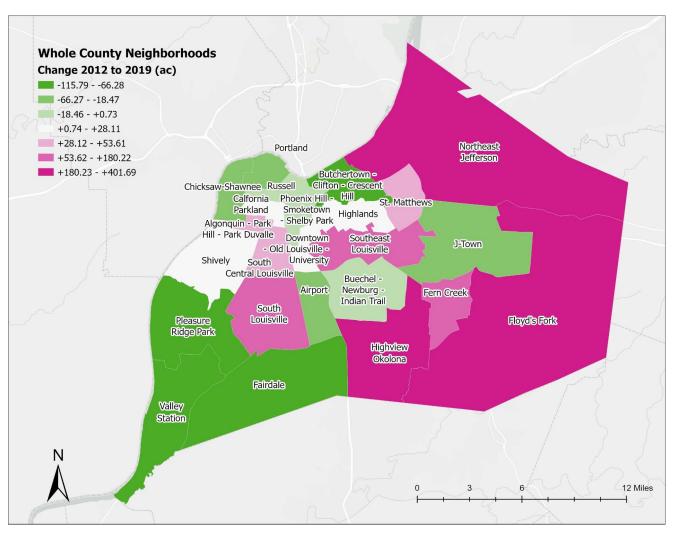
 Change title to Louisville Tree Canopy Cover by Neighborhood (2019)

No one will understand the term "whole county neighborhoods" but us :-).

2. Use percentage canopy instead of acres.

Acres will always be more in larger areas, so percentage is telling more accurate story of conditions.

Use whole numbers everywhere (no decimals), no matter whether % or acres. Easier for people to read/grasp. And if you can, make them close to rounded number groups in the legend - also easier to grasp.



Using the land cover layer

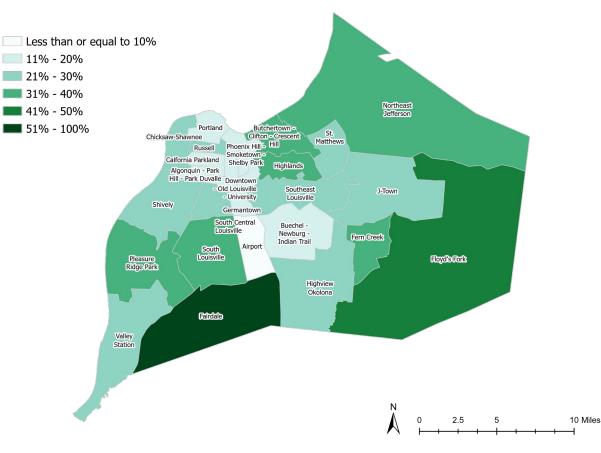
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- Change title to Change in Louisville Tree Canopy Cover by Neighborhood (2012 to 2019)
- 2. Use canopy %, not acres and note decimals thing again (see prior slide)
- Can you make colors so that gain is greens (dark for most gain) and losses are red (dark red for most loss)

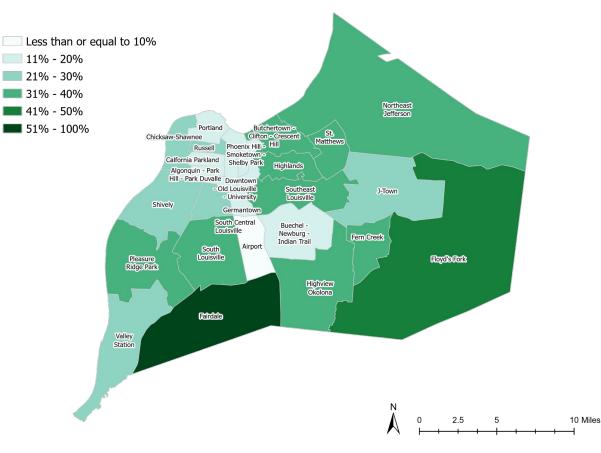
Updated Tree Canopy Cover maps by neighborhood 2012, 2019, change 2012 to 2019

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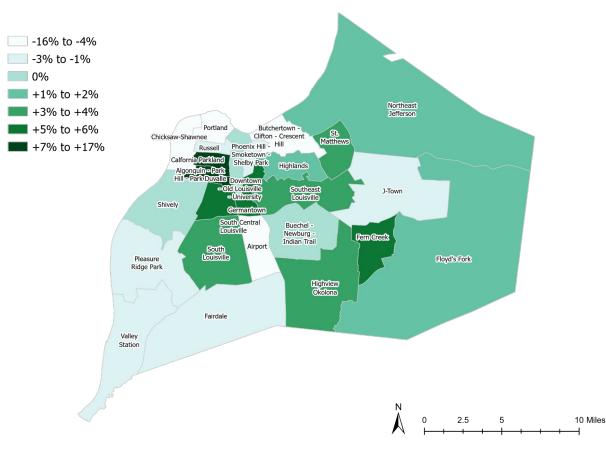
Louisville Tree Canopy Cover by Neighborhood (2012)



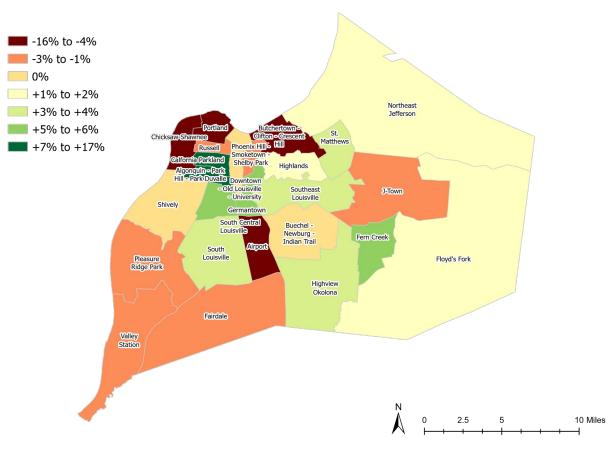
Louisville Tree Canopy Cover by Neighborhood (2019)



Louisville Tree Canopy Change by Neighborhood (2012 to 2019)

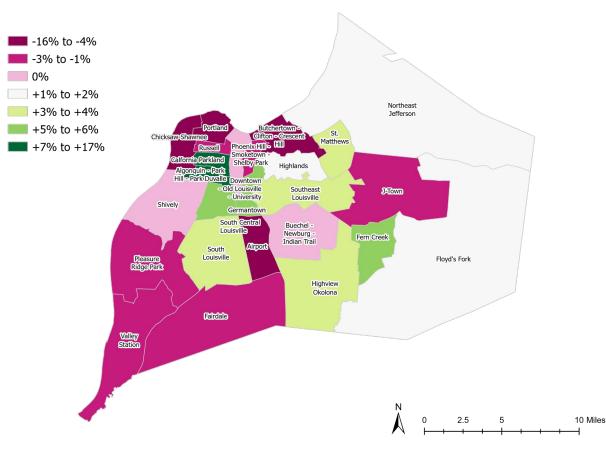


Change in Louisville Tree Canopy by Neighborhood (2012 to 2019)



Red to green color palette - not accessible for deuteranopia

Change in Louisville Tree Canopy by Neighborhood (2012 to 2019)



Pink to green color palette works a bit better



Tree canopy from the tree canopy change raster is slightly off from the tree canopy in the land cover layer

Pink - Tree canopy change layer

Green - Tree canopy in land cover layer

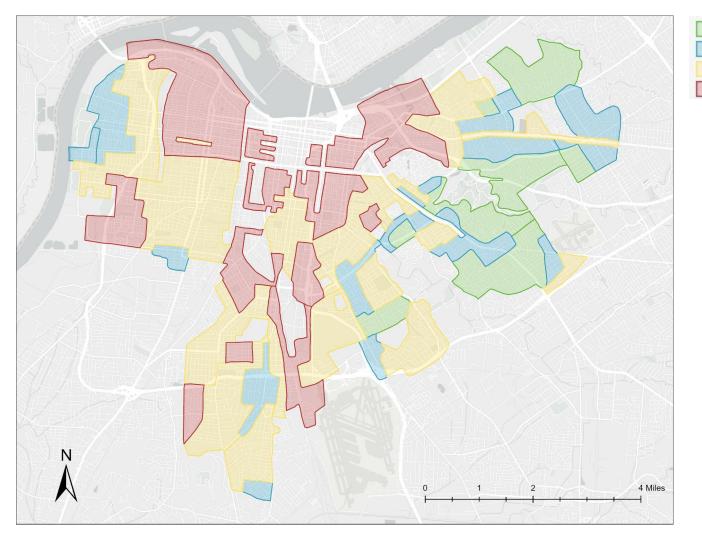
double check with findings to make sure numbers match up

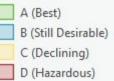
Redlining

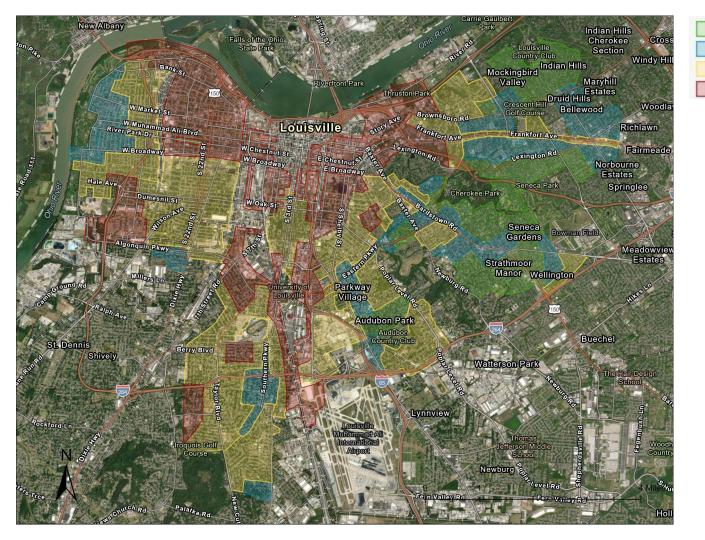
Louisville's lojic website on redlining: <u>https://www.lojic.org/redlining-louisville-2017</u>

- Lots of Louisville specific information on redlining and HOLC grades

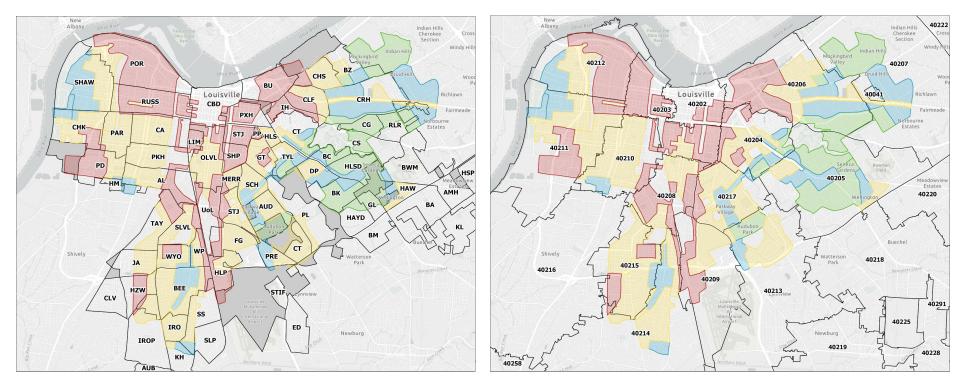
National HOLC layer: https://www.arcgis.com/home/item.html?id=ef0f926eb1b146d082c38cc35b53c947 &sublayer=0





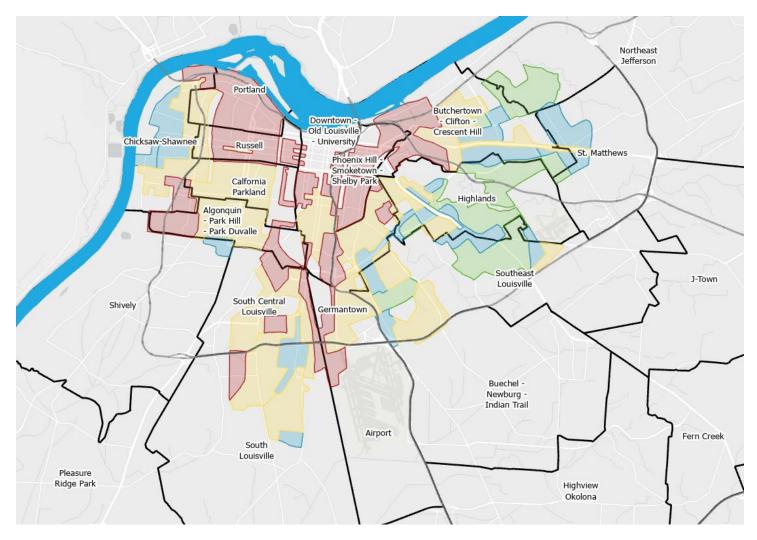


A (Best) B (Still Desirable) C (Declining) D (Hazardous)

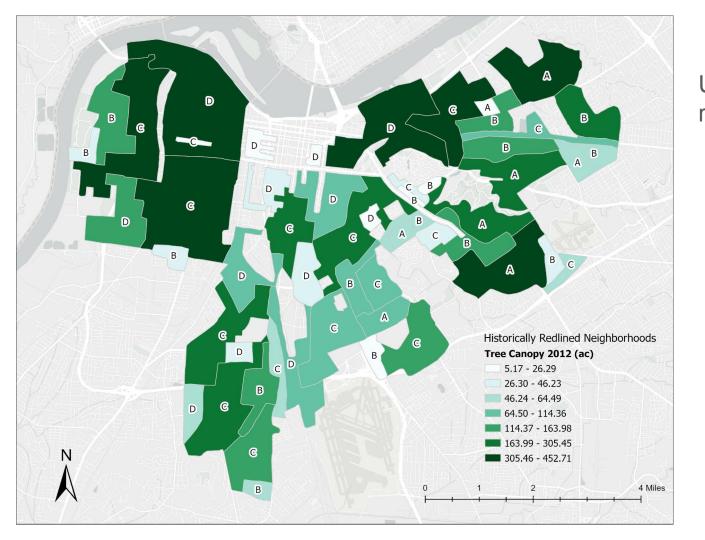


HOLC Grades + Urban Neighborhoods and Zipcodes

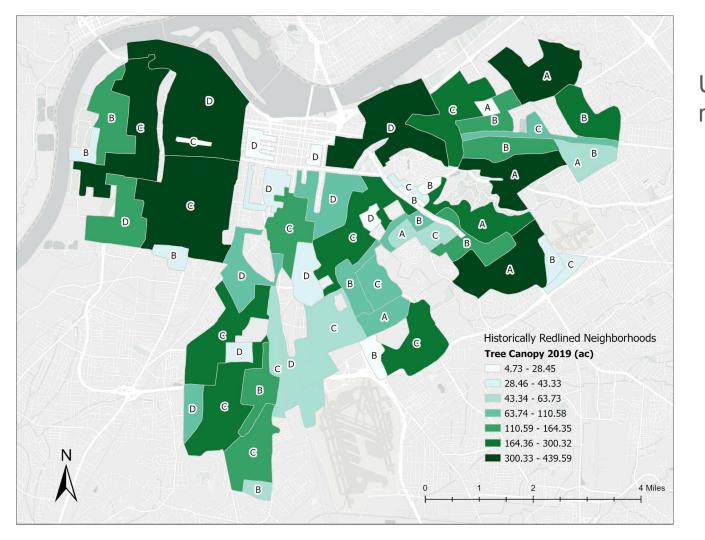
Historic redlining doesn't match up with present day boundaries



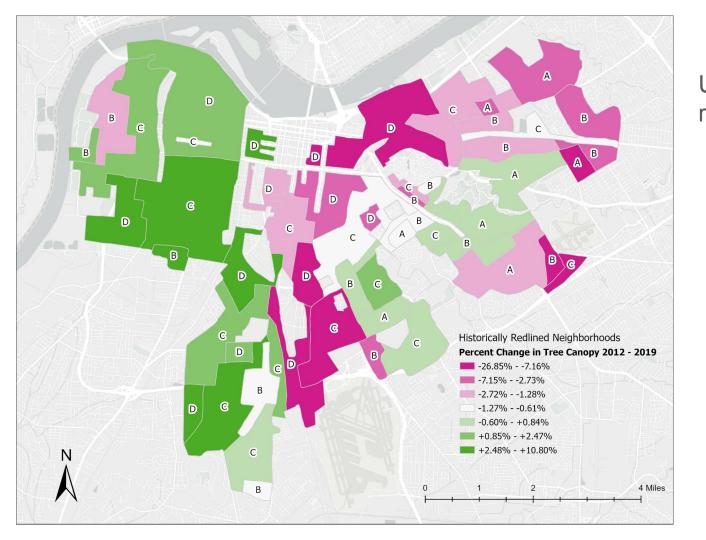
Whole County Neighborhoods and Redlining



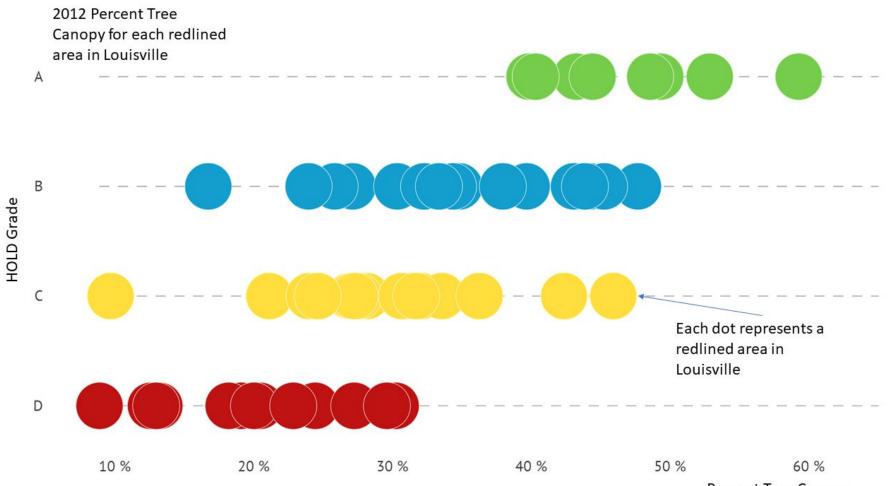
Using the tree canopy raster



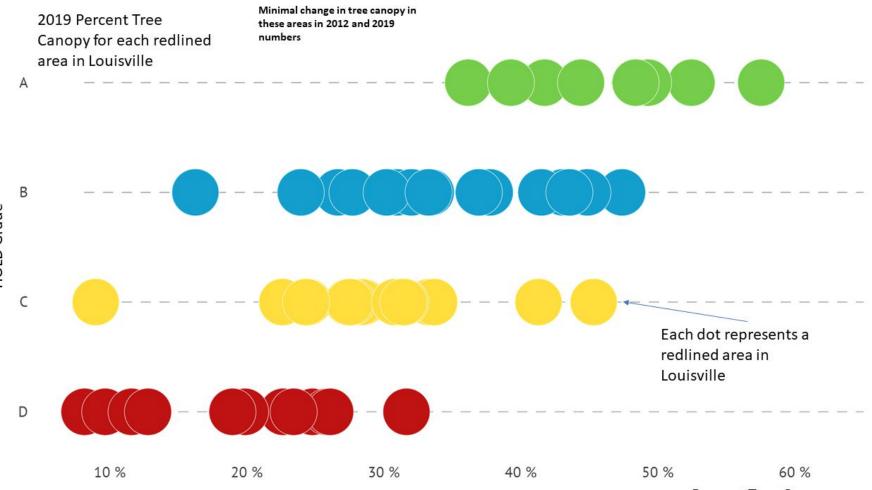
Using the tree canopy raster



Using the tree canopy raster



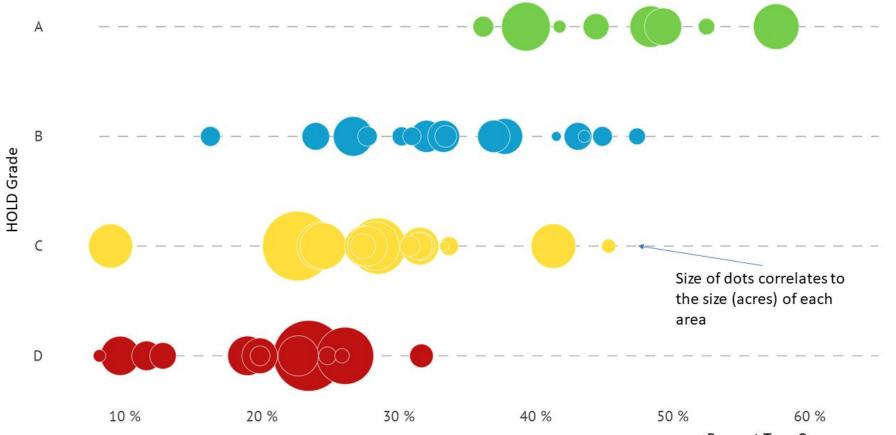
Percent Tree Canopy



Percent Tree Canopy

HOLD Grade

2019 Percent Tree Canopy for each redlined area in Louisville



Percent Tree Canopy

(map of all three projects)

Urban Neighborhoods

Urban Neighborhoods Boundary

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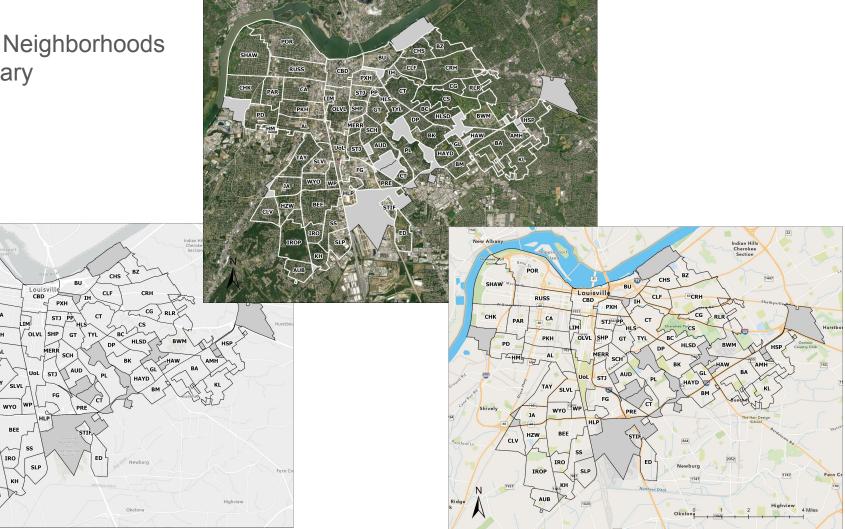
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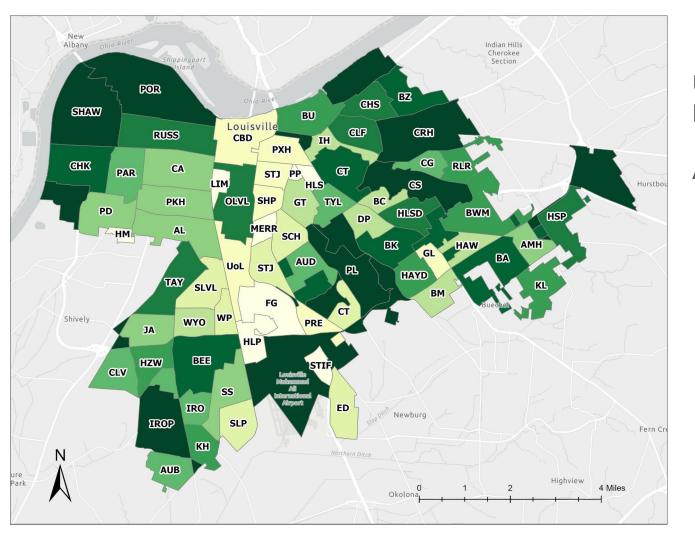
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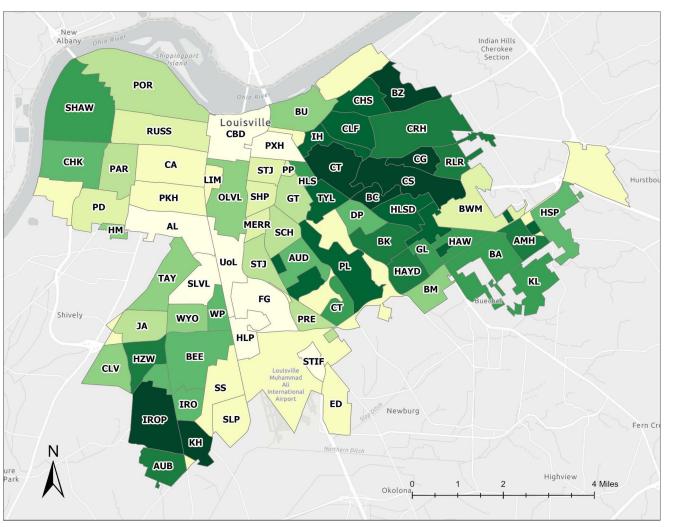
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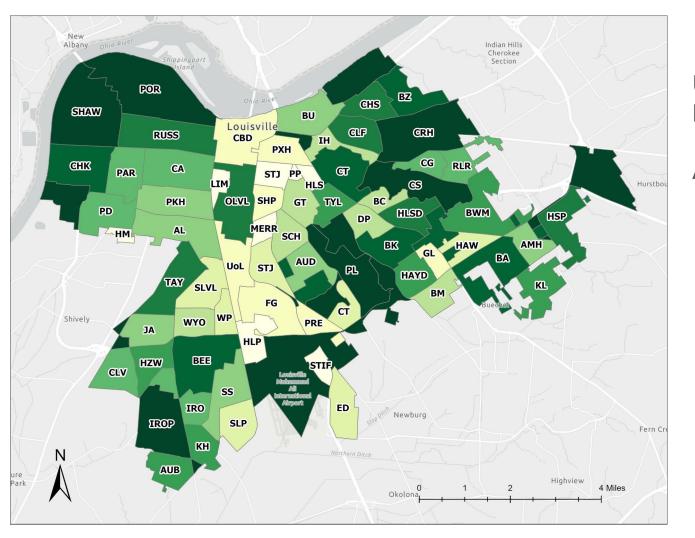
Urban Canopy Area by Neighborhood (2012)

Acres



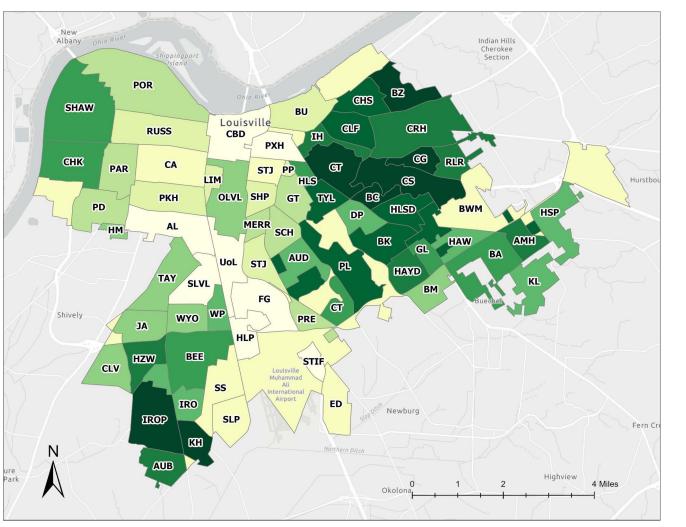
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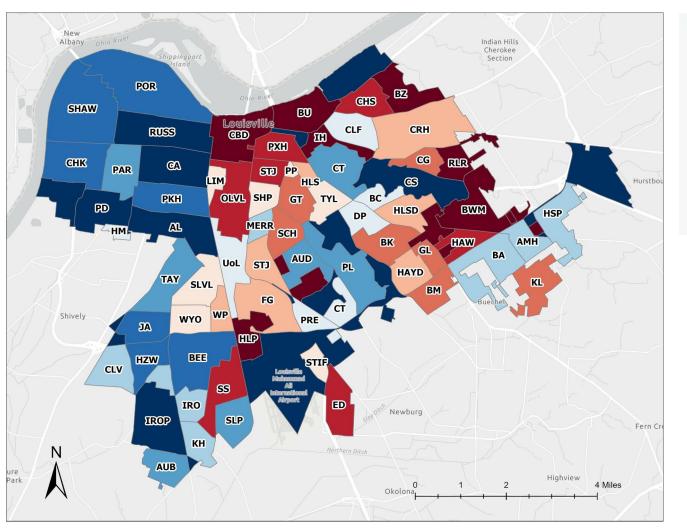
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Urban Canopy Area by Neighborhood (2019)

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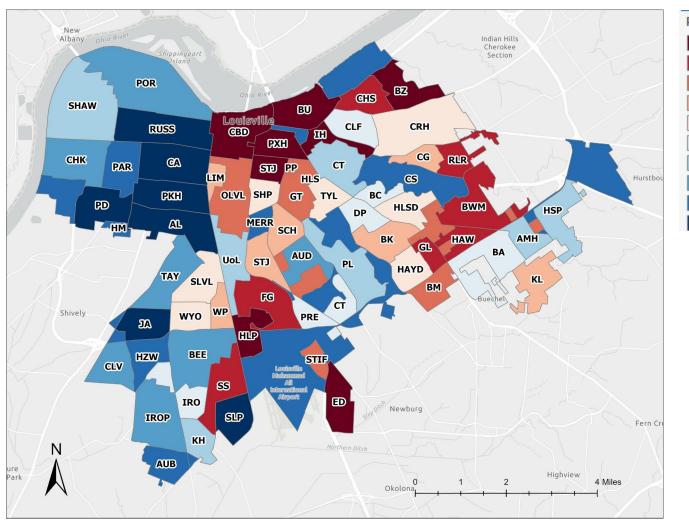


Change Area



Change in Tree Canopy 2012 - 2019

Acres

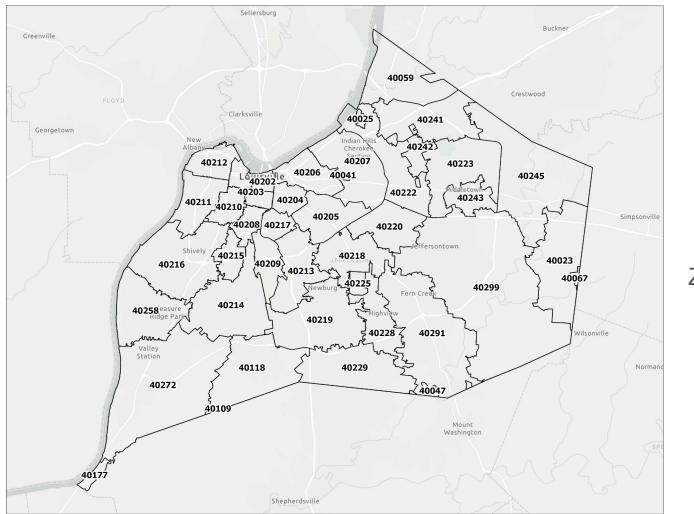


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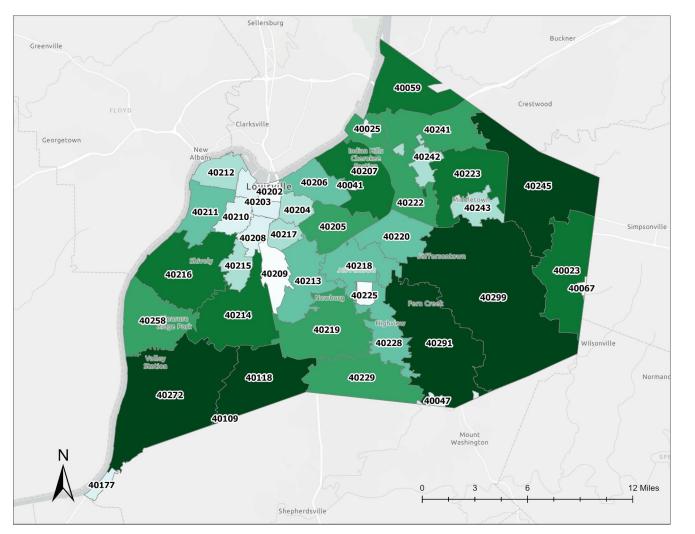
Change in Tree Canopy 2012 - 2019

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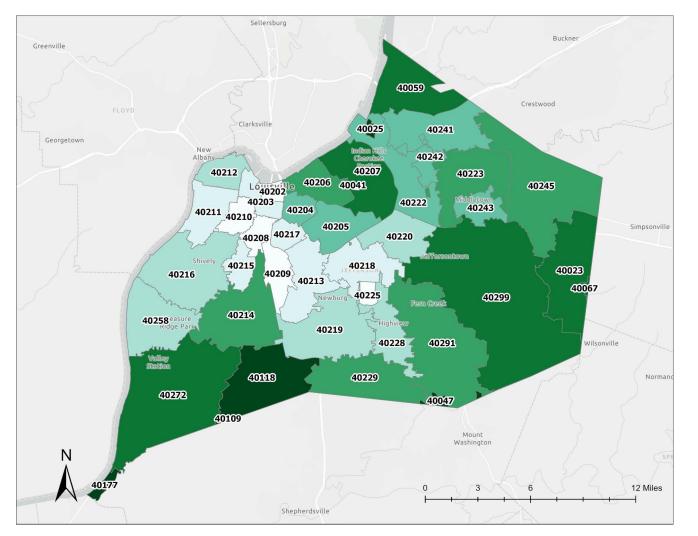


Zipcodes



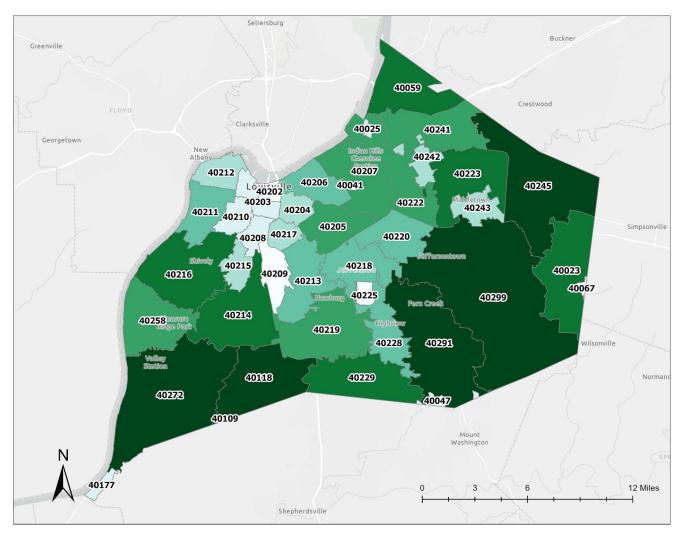
Urban Canopy Area by Zip Code (2012)

Acres



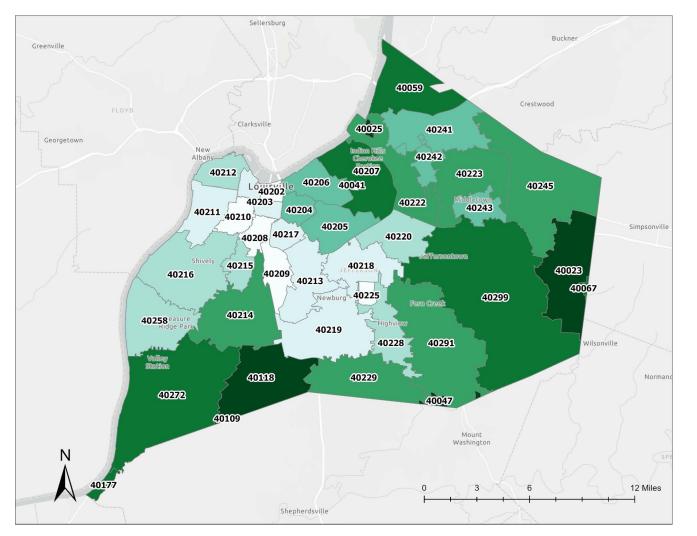
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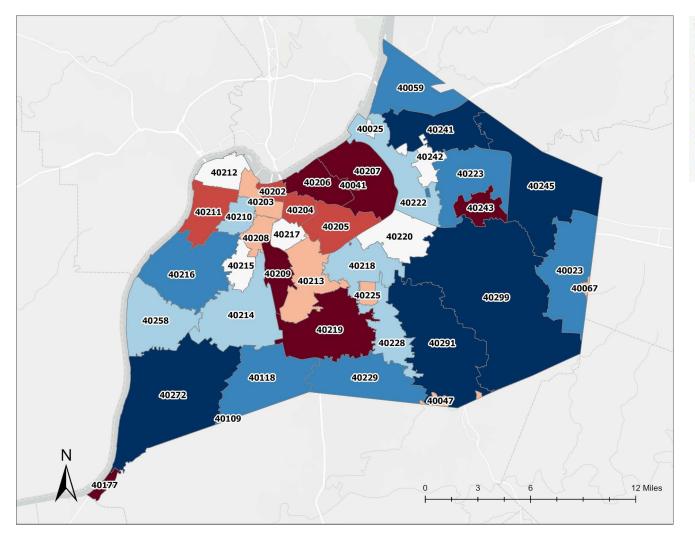
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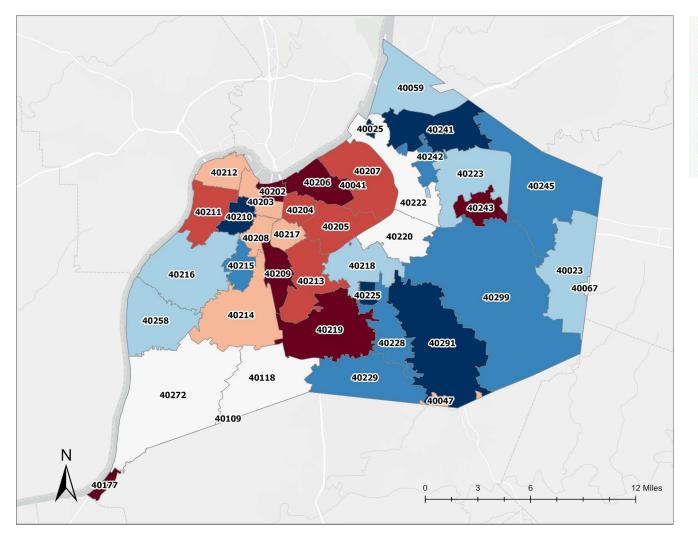
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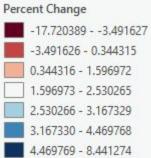
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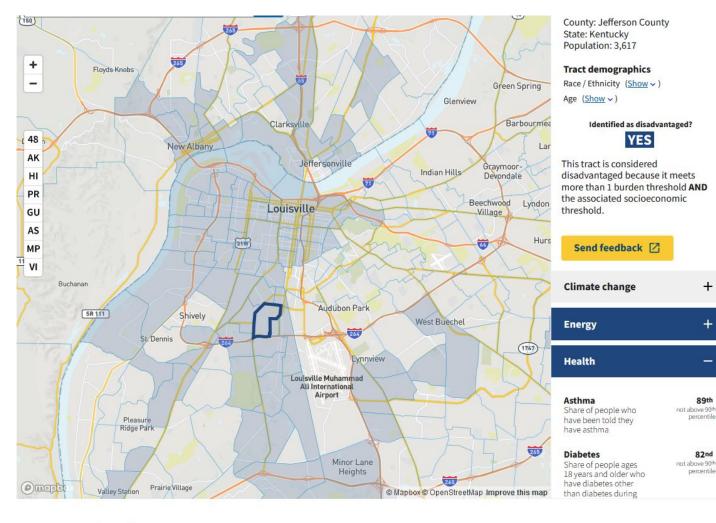


Change Area

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https://screeningtool.geopla v/en/#10.77/38.2385/-85.76

Areas in green heart healt and tree planting with TNC https://greenheartlouisville n/

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89th

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TO DO:

Still need to do, calculate 2012 and 2019 tree canopy area and percent in HOLC areas

Charts to make

— Circle chart showing tree canopy per HOLC area

Justice 40 (tract) and tree canopy per tract

- Tracts overlay with neighborhoods (internal)
- Show where the \$12m will be spent

Green Heart (NIH and TNC) tree planting: https://greenheartlouisville.com/learn/

- Add outline to a map and compare to Justice40

https://www.nature.org/en-us/about-us/where-we-work/united-states/kentucky/stories-in-kentucky/green-heart-project/

- Using <u>https://screeningtool.geoplatform.gov/en/#3/33.47/-97.5</u> to determine where to plant trees

All projects use different boundaries..

Barry (Louisville Metro) - grant based on CJEST map

- What census tracts or areas is grant money being used on?

Posters:

- Neighborhood table using new boundary shapefile
- Tree canopy, TC change, and land cover and land use (land use not by neighborhood boundary yet)
 - Take another look at knoxville master data sheet <u>https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1uVxxZQDBV9NuFoqA7t5ragR_v</u> <u>Qoi70X2XhJUAGkl_pQ/edit#gid=1517668799</u>
- UTC Overall

Canopy gain/loss areas map using 'TreeCanopyChange_20122019_Louisville'

Schedule meeting with Geoffrey and add Rachel as optional

Justice40

Justice40 Tracts

Data download:

https://www.esri.com/arcgis-blog/products/arcgis-living-atlas/lo cal-government/justice40/

Justice40 Initiative delivers 40 percent of the overall benefits of certain federal investments to disadvantaged communities that are marginalized by underinvestment and overburdened by pollution.

Additionally, this layer can be used in spatial analysis to answer many types of questions. Typical questions that grant writers often need to answer are:

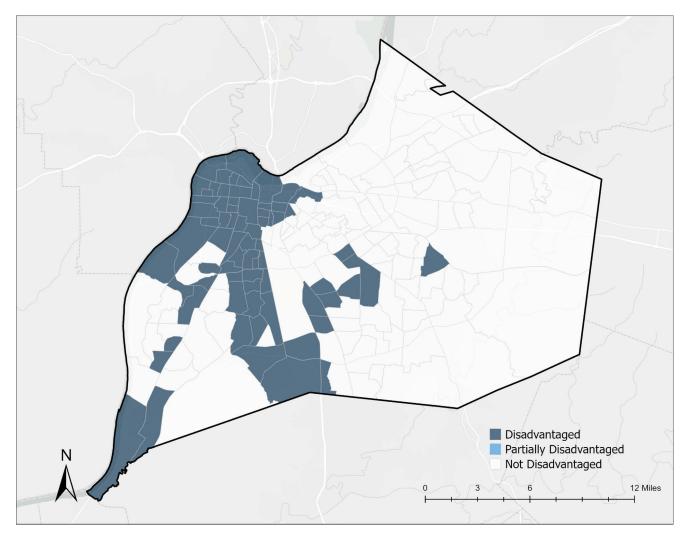
- What percent of our service area's/attendance area's population live in tracts that are identified as disadvantaged? (Use the <u>Summarize Within</u> tool.)
- Which of our sites/locations are in tracts that are identified as disadvantaged? (Use <u>Join Features</u> based on spatial relationship.)
- What is the top category that tracts in my community are disadvantaged in? (Filter to tracts in your community. Then from the <u>Attribute Table</u>, get statistics on each of the eight categories and check Sum of Values to see the counts of tracts in each category.)

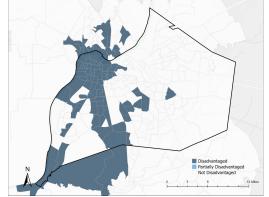
Maps made with this important data help anyone see maps of communities that are disadvantaged according to <u>Justice40</u> <u>Initiative criteria</u> in the U.S. and its territories. Tracts have been identified as disadvantaged across eight different categories:

- Climate change
- Clean energy and energy efficiency
- Clean transit
- Affordable and sustainable housing
- Reduction and remediation of legacy pollution
- Critical clean water and wastewater infrastructure
- Health burdens
- Training and workforce development

https://www.thejustice40.com/#read-the-report

https://www.whitehouse.gov/environmentaljustice/justice40/





Justice40 Funding in Louisville, KY

https://www.epa.gov/newsreleases/media-advisory-epa-highlight-ira-f unding-environmental-justice-projects-communities

\$1,500,500 EPA funding for 2 projects in Rubbertown and California Neighborhood areas of Louisville, KY to advance environmental justice as part of <u>Biden's Investing in America Agenda</u>.

EPA has selected through its Environmental Justice Collaborative Problem Solving Cooperative Agreement and Environmental Justice Government-to-Government programs

The funds will ensure disadvantaged communities that have historically suffered from underinvestment have **access to clean air and water and climate resilience solutions** in alignment with the Biden-Harris administration's Justice40 Initiative.

- "mobilizing historic levels of private sector investments in the United States, bringing manufacturing back to America after decades of offshoring, and creating new, good-paying jobs, including union jobs and jobs that don't require a college degree"
- "using Made in America materials, built by American workers"

https://www.epa.gov/newsreleases/biden-harrisadministration-announces-more-24-million-envir onmental-justice-projects

\$2,468,200 to fund 3 projects (outlined on next slide) in Kentucky that advance environmental justice as part of President Biden's Investing in America agenda.

2 projects in Jefferson County/Louisville

Environmental Justice Collaborative Problem Solving (EJCPS) grant:

- 1) Parks Alliance of Louisville \$472,700 People-Powered Parks: Building a Healthy and Resilient West Louisville Neighborhood
 - This project will actively engage residents of Louisville's California Neighborhood in the planning, programming, and stewardship of the new 20-acre Alberta O. Jones Park.

Environmental Justice Government-to-Government (EJG2G) grant:

- 2) <u>Louisville-Jefferson County Metro Government \$1,000,000</u> Ambient Air Toxics and Health Action for the Rubbertown Area
- The Ambient Air Toxics and Health Action for the Rubbertown Area project seeks to collect ambient air toxics data and identify potential health conditions/diseases that west Louisville residents may be experiencing or for which they are at higher risk based on past and current chemical exposures from ambient air pollution in certain zip codes.
- 3) <u>City of Paducah \$995,500 Breathing Easier in the Southside Community of Paducah</u>
- The proposed project will have three primary components capacity building and community engagement, reducing indoor toxins and air pollution, and improving community health for the eight neighborhoods of the Southside Community.

Alberta O Jones Park

in California Neighborhood

https://www.parksalliancelou.org/albertajones park



Custom music-inspired <u>nature</u> <u>playground</u> designed by Earthscape

Performance pavilion featuring a giant photomosaic mural honoring Alberta O. Jones

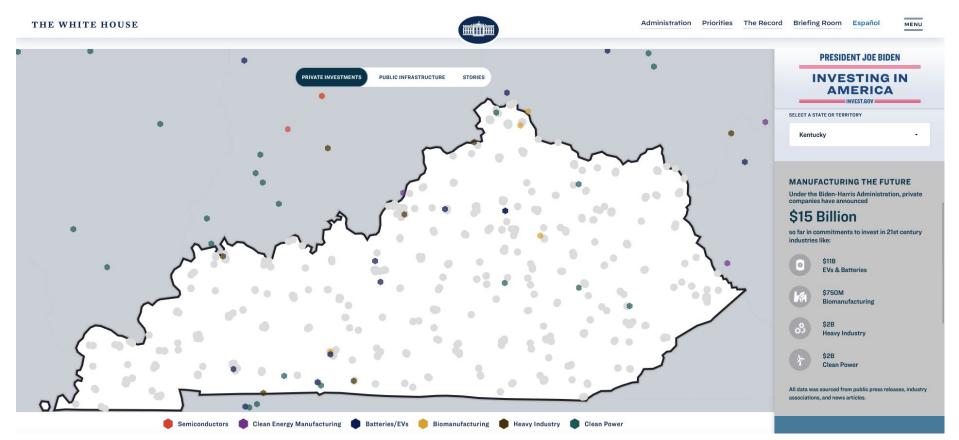
Y Walking paths and fitness stations

Multi-purpose great lawn for sports, events, markets, and more! Picnic pavilion with grills for group gatherings & cookouts

Outdoor classroom for people of all ages to learn and engage with nature

📶 Free 5G Wi-Fi

Biden's Investing in America Agenda



INVESTING IN AMERICA

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\$7.1 Billion

in public infrastructure and clean energy investments in Kentucky under the Biden Administration, including:

\$3.8B

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announced for transportation investments in roads, bridges, public transit, ports and airports, as well as electric school and transit buses, EV charging, and more.

announced for grants, rebates, and

#### \$871.8M

other initiatives to accelerate the deployment of clean energy, clean buildings, and clean manufacturing. This is not inclusive of the clean energy tax incentives from the

#### \$576.6M

announced to make our communities more resilient to climate change and other threats.

Inflation Reduction Act.

#### \$229.9M

announced to provide clean water across Kentucky and improve water infrastructure. This includes \$75.4M dedicated to lead pipe and service line replacement.

#### INTERNET FOR ALL

The Biden-Harris Administration is committed to connecting everyone in America to affordable, reliable high-speed internet.

**INVESTING IN** 

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#### \$1.7B

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in funding from the Biden Administration to provide affordable, reliable high-speed internet to everyone in Kentucky.

#### 455.7K

households in Kentucky are saving \$30-75 per month on high-speed internet through the Affordable Connectivity Program under the Biden Administration.

Funding figures represent compilations of relevant programs from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, American Rescue Plan, Consolidated Appropriations Act, and annual budgets.

#### **BRINGING JOBS BACK TO AMERICA**

4.3%

unemployment rate in Kentucky, with 150.1K new jobs created under the Biden Administration including 2K jobs in clean energy.

150.4K applications to start new businesses.

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#### 1.7K

809

childcare programs kept open because of President Biden's American Rescue Plan.



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restaurants and bars kept open under President Biden's leadership.

#### LOWERING COSTS

#### \$134.2M



in home energy rebates to help hardworking families cut their energy costs by weatherizing their homes and replacing old appliances with more efficient models.

#### 952.2K

seniors and other Medicare beneficiaries will save money on prescription drug costs because of President Biden's \$2,000 yearly cap on out-of-pocket prescription drug

#### INVESTING IN AMERICA

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#### 62.6K

individuals in Kentucky signed up for health insurance through the Affordable Care Act Marketplaces during the Open Enrollment Period for 2023 and will benefit from average savings of about \$800/year from lower health care premiums because of the Inflation Reduction Act and American Rescue Plan.

#### **INVESTMENT SPOTLIGHTS**

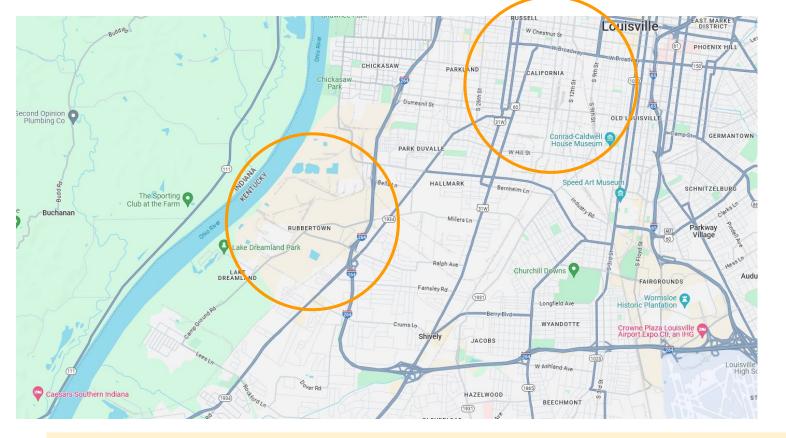
- Ford and SK Innovation are partnering on BlueOval SK, a \$5.8 billion mega-campus in Glendale that will employ an expected 5,000 new workers and produce batteries for the next generation of electric Ford and Lincoln vehicles.
- Envision AESC broke ground on a \$2 billion state-of-the-art electric vehicle battery gigafactory in Bowling Green, bringing in an

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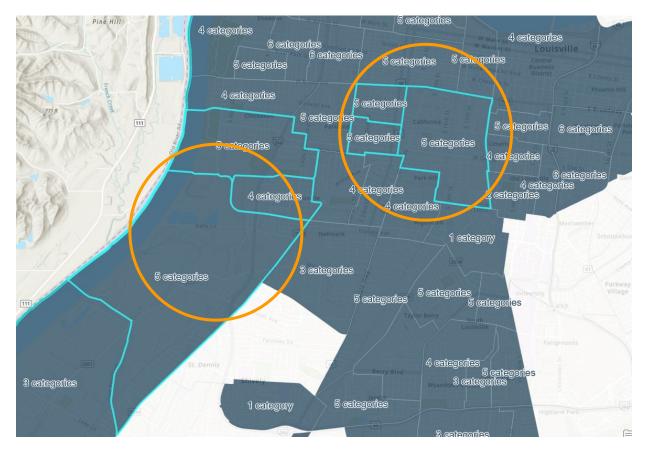
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- Envision AESC broke ground on a \$2 billion state-of-the-art electric vehicle battery gigafactory in Bowling Green, bringing in an expected 2,000 new jobs.
- Ascend Elements is investing up to \$1 billion in a new battery materials processing facility that will produce enough inputs to equip 250,000 electric vehicles per year, the single largest investment in Western Kentucky history.
- The U.S. Department of Transportation has awarded over \$1.6 billion to upgrade the Brent-Spence Bridge, which connects Covington, Kentucky and Cincinnati, Ohio to improve interstate and local traffic flow. The current bridge is the second-worst bottleneck for trucks in the nation and carries more than \$400 billion in freight per year.
- The Green River Area Development District is receiving \$17.3 million to rehabilitate Rockport Railroad Bridge, which is a 100year-old freight line bridge.
- Ascend Elements will receive up to \$316 million to build a battery recycling facility on an existing greenfield site in Hopkinsville, a disadvantaged community in southwestern Kentucky.
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Is Rubbertown an official neighborhood? It's not in the urban neighborhood shapefile or other boundary layers... California is in the urban neighborhood layer



Multiple Justice40 tracts overlap with the California and Rubbertown neighborhoods. Is funding distributed within these neighborhoods by tracts?

# Greenheart

## **Green Heart Louisville**

### https://greenheartlouisville.com/learn/

if increasing greenness in an urban community reduces the levels of air pollution in the neighborhood, decreases the risk of heart disease, and increases outdoor activity and relationships between neighbors. Green Heart will help us discover:

- How to plant trees in urban communities to maximize the removal of air pollution
- If increasing green space affects the risks of developing obesity, diabetes, and heart disease
- If increasing urban green space reduces mental stress, enhances social cohesion, and increases physical activity
- If urban green space affects crime rates, property values, storm water runoff, energy use, and heat island effect.

## **Drivers of Health**

COMMUNITY: Volunteers, stewards, partner organizations. AIR QUALITY DATA: Gathered from fixed and mobile air monitors. BUILDINGS: Residential, commercial. VEGETATION: Trees, grasses and shrubs. INFRASTRUCTURE: Major and minor roadways.

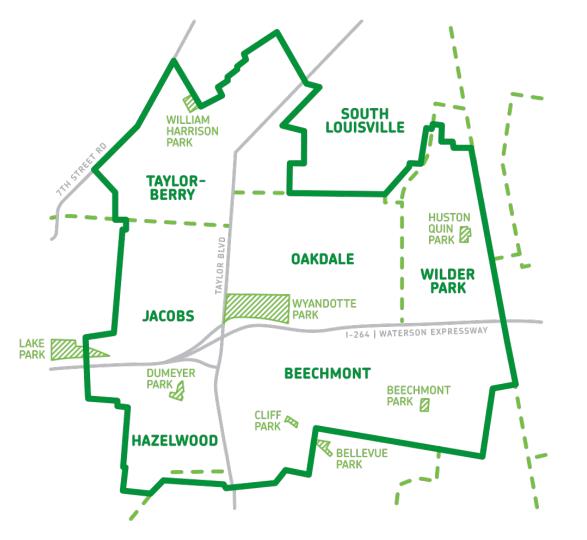
To find the ideal location for Green Heart, we evaluated **existing tree cover, major roadways, population density, plantable space, and neighborhood characteristics** throughout Louisville:

- Beechmont
- Hazelwood
- Jacobs
- Oakdale
- Taylor-Berry
- Wilder Park

The study area is home to 22,100 residents. About 82% of residents own their home and the median household income is \$27,000.

2 Publications specifically in Louisville, KY:

https://greenheartlouisville.com/learn/research-library/#scroll-to



## Greenheart

https://www.nature.org/en-us/about-us/where-we-work/united-state s/kentucky/stories-in-kentucky/green-heart-project/

In the fall of 2017, The Nature Conservancy and partners launched <u>the Green Heart Project</u> to examine the link between neighborhood greenery and holistic human health. This five-year, collaborative effort, led by the <u>University of Louisville Environe Institute</u>, <u>Hyphae Design Laboratory</u>, and TNC could inform new, cutting-edge municipal decision-making processes that connect nature with health and well-being.

- Aruni Bhatnagar, Ph.D., a professor and researcher with the University of Louisville School of Medicine
- Launched with an initial \$5 million grant from the Owsley Brown II Family Foundation, the Green Heart Project received additional support—just one year into the study—from the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences for the human health assessments, and from The Nature Conservancy for initial air quality monitoring.

Additional partners that include Washington University in St. Louis, Cornell University and the U.S. Forest Service.

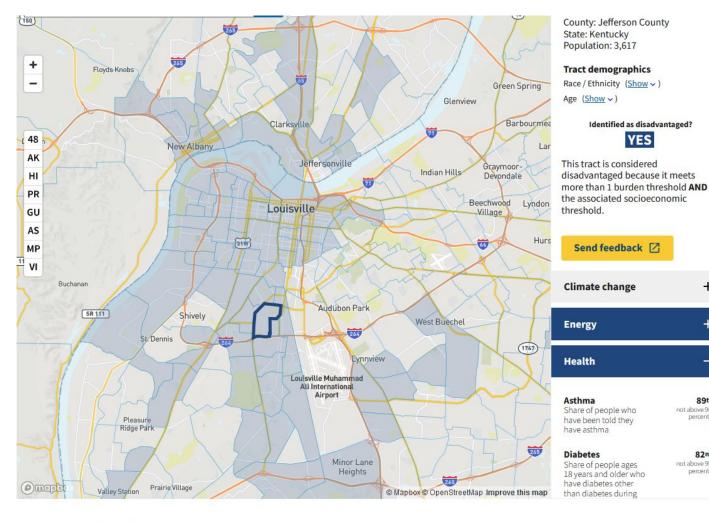
Project started in October of 2019. By the end of August 2020, 675 trees were planted, with plans for nearly 900 additional trees to be planted in the fall of 2020.

#### Process

- the research team will first assess the risk of diabetes and heart disease, stress levels and the strength of social ties in 700 participants from targeted Louisville neighborhoods. The team will take baseline measurements of air pollution levels at the same time.
- 2) the team will **plant thousands of trees, plants and shrubs throughout the neighborhoods to create an urban ecosystem** that promotes physical activity while decreasing noise, stress and air pollution
- 3) the 700 participants will receive annual check-ups to evaluate how the increasing greenery has affected their physical and mental health, and their social ties.

planted along the Watterson Expressway, a highway that runs through the Green Heart study area. Within the community, nearly 500 medium-sized trees up to 15 feet tall will be planted on private property.

now has a 1,000-gallon watering tank that they can drive through the neighborhoods



Also uses census tracts The bigger study, is at the county

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89th

82nd

percentile

not above 90th

not above 90th percentile level

## The HEALing Communities Study

https://greenheartlouisville.com/get-involved/heal-study/

https://heal.nih.gov/research/research-to-practice/healing-communities

**NIH** and the **Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration** launched the HEALing Communities Study to investigate how tools for preventing and treating opioid misuse and opioid use disorder (OUD) are most effective at the local level.

The HEALing Communities Study will test the integration of prevention, overdose treatment, and medication-based treatment in select communities hard hit by the opioid crisis. This comprehensive treatment model will be tested in a coordinated array of settings, including primary care, emergency departments, and other community settings. Findings will establish best practices for integrating prevention and treatment strategies that can be replicated by communities nationwide.

The goal of the study is to reduce opioid-related overdose deaths by 40 percent over the course of three years. Research sites are partnering with 67 communities highly affected by the opioid crisis in four states to measure the impact of these efforts.

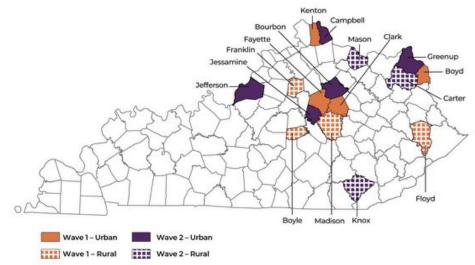
The study also supports harm reduction research to investigate the effectiveness of rapid-acting fentanyl test strips in modifying drug use behaviors and exploring drug checking needs in clinical settings.

the Helping to End Addiction Long-term® Initiative, or NIH HEAL Initiative®, NIH has awarded **\$343.7 million** to fund a coordinating center and research in four states: Research grant awards were issued to the University of Kentucky in Lexington; Boston Medical Center in Boston; Columbia University in New York City; and Ohio State University in Columbus.

## **Kentucky Snapshot**

Kentucky is ground zero of the opioid overdose epidemic. Since the 1990s, Kentuckians have been devastated by this unrelenting crisis, and they have persevered in their continued efforts to save lives.

The University of Kentucky has been conducting research to fight the epidemic from its early days. We've been very successful doing experiments, collecting data, and demonstrating what's effective for treating opioid use disorder. But we haven't been able to fully deploy that knowledge.



Participating counties included Bourbon, Campbell, Carter, Greenup, Jefferson, Jessamine, Knox, and Mason.

More about the Kentucky HEALing Communities Projecta

### https://healingstudy.uky.edu/

Most GIS data around opioid use/deaths are in Campbell and Kenton

StoryMap about Homeless Safe Spaces in Louisville https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/b86b5a277f4e4dde80634f98b3668566 If Jefferson County is in Wave 2 of the HEALing communities study, is the Greenheart project a preliminary study that will feed into this?

