

Green Urbanism in Neighborhood Revitalization: Dudley Street and Carver Park

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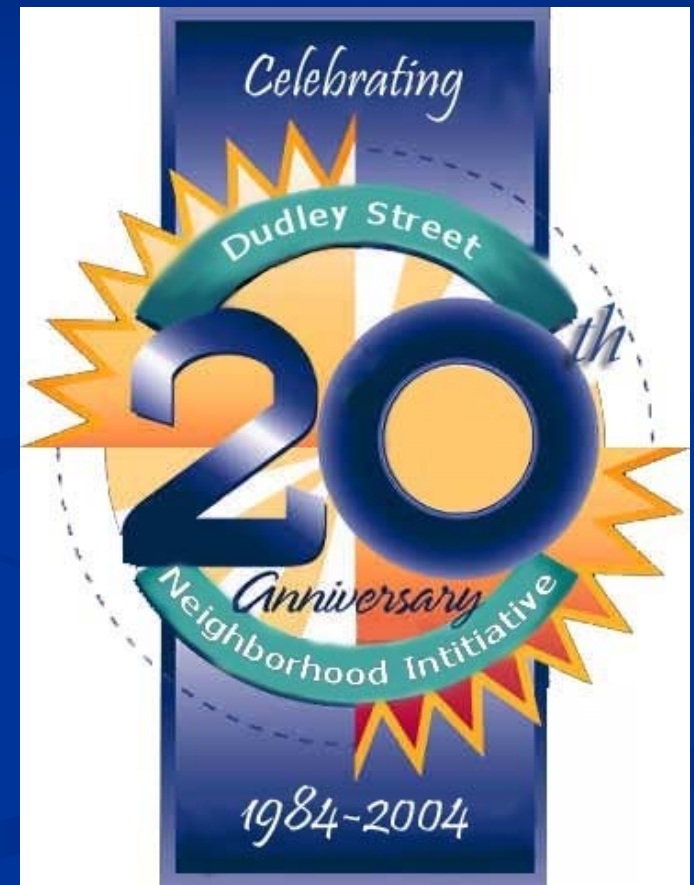
Dudley Street Neighborhood

- 2 miles from downtown Boston
- 1.5 square miles
- Extreme poverty
 - 32% below poverty level
- Vacant Land
 - 21% of total area



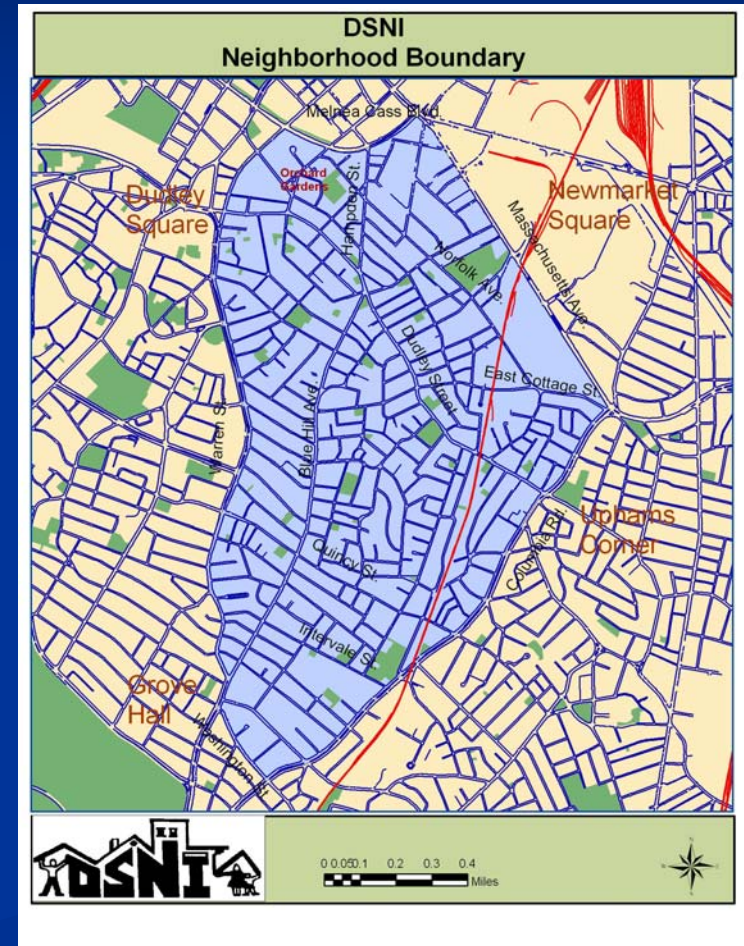
Dudley Street Neighborhood

- Dudley Street Neighborhood Initiative formed to “create and maintain an urban village”
- Community Visioning
- Result: DSNI Revitalization Plan



DSNI Revitalization Plan

- Optimism about community's future
- Called for:
 - Economic and Workforce Development
 - Community Gardens
 - Town Common
 - Reinvestment Strategy
 - Vacant Land Redevelopment



DSNI Revitalization Plan

- High Community Participation
 - From 800 in 1989 to 4000 members in 2000
 - Business owners
 - Local service agencies
 - Religious Institutions
 - Youth
 - Each ethnic group



DSNI Revitalization Plan

- Action Areas:
 - Illegal Dumping
 - Hazardous Waste Sites
 - Land Acquisition
 - Housing Rehab
 - Affordable Housing Development
 - Transportation
 - Lead Poisoning
 - Anti-Redlining



DSNI Programs

- Neighborhood Programs:
 - Clean Up Day
 - Community Gardens
 - Farmers Market
 - Multicultural Festival
 - Youth Summer Employment
 - New Community Center
 - Lead Poisoning Awareness
 - Land Trust

Dudley Neighborhoods, Inc.

- Land Trust formed in 1990
 - Over 1,300 parcels vacant
 - 21% of land area in neighborhood
 - City and privately owned
 - “Eminent Domain” Power
 - Ford Foundation Grant
 - 99 year leases
 - 600 parcels now developed



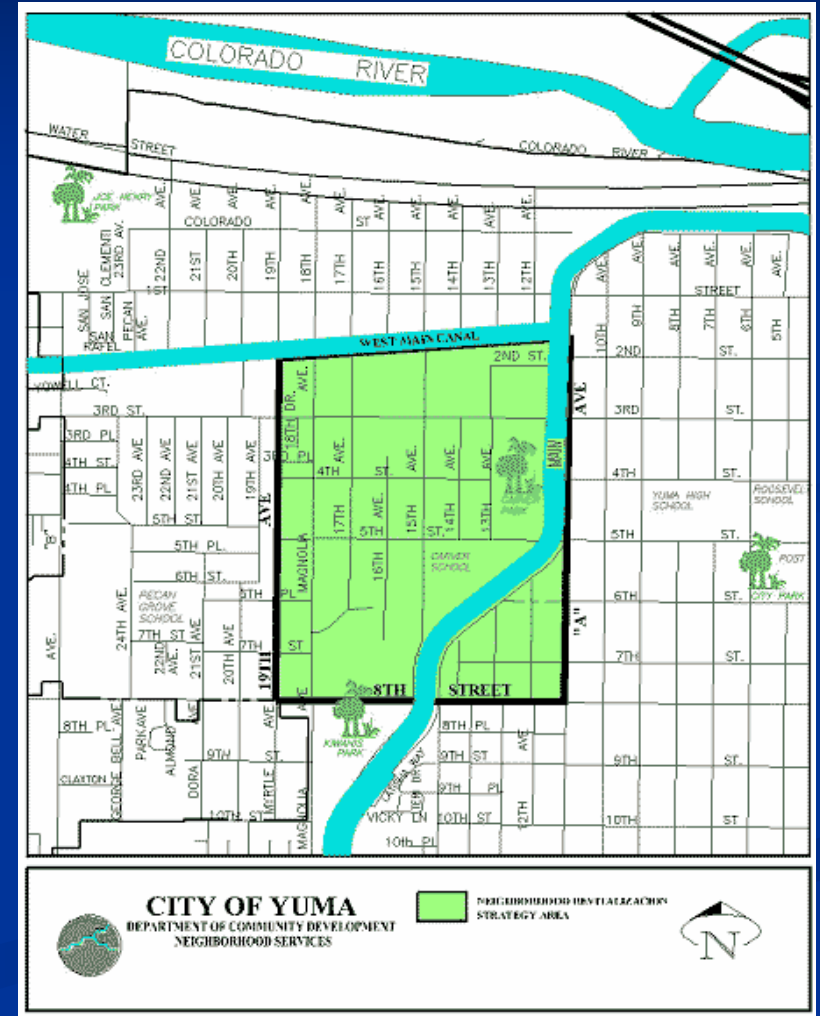
Dudley Street Today

- Accomplishments
 - 300 Affordable Housing Units Built
 - Town Common
 - Number of Businesses increased by 250 in 10 years
 - Police calls down 21%



Carver Park Neighborhood

- In Yuma, Arizona
 - .5 square miles
 - 73% Hispanic
 - 48% below Poverty Level
 - High Crime Rate



Carver Park Planning Process

- 1997: City of Yuma Department of Community Development and Neighborhood Services
- Community Visioning
 - Religious Organizations
 - Non-profits
 - Over 2000 Residents
 - Business owners
- Result: Revitalization Strategy and Plan
- Passed in 2000

Revitalization Strategy and Plan

- Affordable Housing Development
 - Over 120 new housing units
 - Single and Multi-family Units
 - Low and Moderate Income
- Social Service Programs
- Infrastructure Improvements
- Funding from US HUD and other sources
 - Total of \$27.5 million

Community Facilities

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Center



Youth Involvement

Youth Programs



Infrastructure Improvements

- Park Improvements
- Street Improvements:
 - Traffic Calming
 - Better Traffic Lights
 - Street Maintenance



Green Urbanism Features

- Compact, Dense Development
- Infill Development
- Affordable Housing
- Community Facilities
- Open Space and Common Areas
- Community Participation

Comparison

- Timeline and Scale of Change
 - 15 years vs. 4 years
- Planning Entities
 - Community Org vs. City and HUD
- Affordable Housing Development
- Public and Private Investment

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