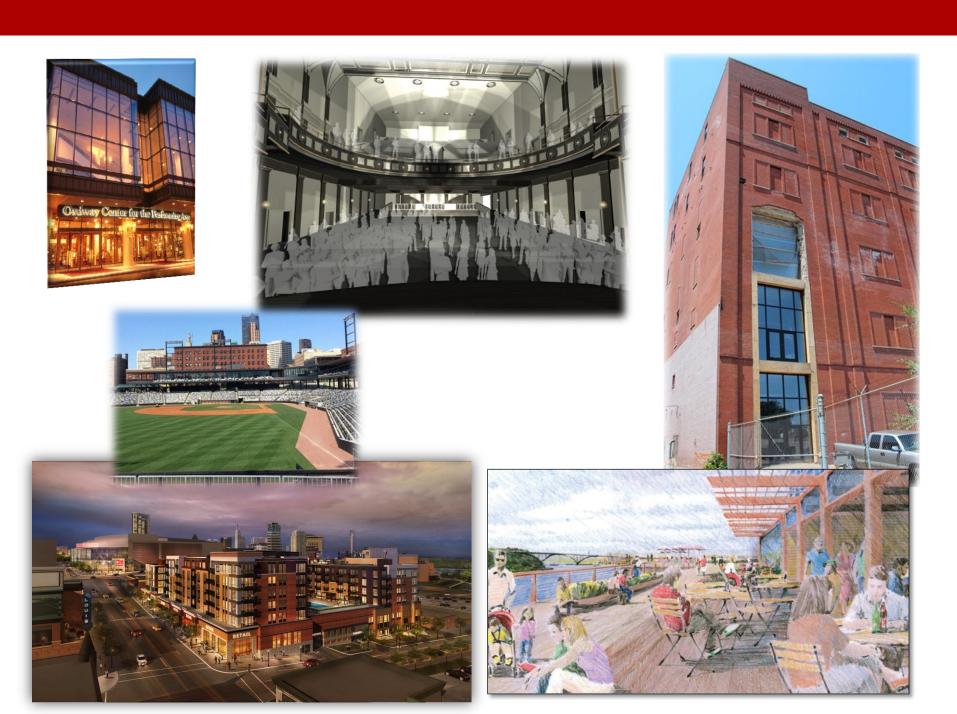
# SAINT PAUL'S ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TOOLS



# Economic Development Programs and Services

Financial Assistance

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## Financial Assistance

- Neighborhood and Cultural STAR
- HRA Enterprise Fund
- □ Tax Increment Financing
- □ Conduit Revenue Bonds
- State General Obligation Bonds

## Neighborhood & Cultural STAR



- In the last (5) years, the Neighborhood STAR program has funded 75 economic development projects with \$10 million that leveraged approximately \$39 million in private investment.
- Since 1993, approximately \$75 million in STAR funding has assisted over 710 economic development projects, and is estimated to have generated more than \$300 million dollars in private investment throughout the City.



## **Bad Weather Brewing**

- \$150,000 STAR loan used for leasehold improvements: utilities, insulation, lighting, windows, and ADA accessibility. Leveraged over \$300,000.
- □ Community Impact: Revitalized 12,000 sq. ft. vacant building into a place of vibrancy and vitality; created new jobs (20 over the next 5 years) available to local residents; neighborhood asset which attracts visitors from entire metro area.



### Arnellia's

- Bar & restaurant nightspot featuring live jazz, funk
   & soul music on University Ave and Dunlap.
- Received a \$40,000 STAR grant and \$40,000 STAR loan for interior improvements. Leveraged \$90,000.
- \$45,000 CDBG Grant being used for exterior improvements.







\$150,000 Loan, \$150,000 Grant to renovate 1141 Rice Street for new restaurant.

East Side Enterprise Center received a \$150,000 Loan and \$100,000 grant to create an office business incubator in the community. Additionally, STAR funded their the East Side Local food Incubator, Kitchen on the Bluff, with \$30,000 Loan and \$30,000 Grant.



Garden Fresh Farms Indoor hydroponic farm. Opened Saint Paul location in 2013 with \$170,000 Loan and \$125,000 Grant used for equipment and build out.

Payne Avenue Parking Program: \$24,277 Loan and \$36,416 Grant. Leveraged \$240,000.



 Highland and Grandview Theaters Renovation: \$83,750 Loan, \$83,750 Grant, \$166,250
 Forgivable Loan.





## Cultural STAR



# 2014 Awards Supporting ~62 Cultural Experiences ~ \$1,614,702

- Aurora St. Anthony's Unify University! Parade
- Skylark Opera's Summer Fest
- Highland Friendship Club's Movie Magic Program
- Made in Minnesota Media Center
- North End Arts Initiative
- East Side Freedom Library
- Twin Cities Women's Choir

## HRA Enterprise Fund

The HRA Enterprise Fund is the most flexible source available to PED

### Annual Budget for this Program:

- □ Business Assistance Fund \$150,000 Flexible funds for general business assistance
- □ Pre-Development Fund \$200,000 Funding for public and private pre-development activities
- □ Strategic Investment Fund \$200,000

  Incentive program to attract profitable, growing companies to Saint Paul

## HRA Enterprise Fund

- Business Assistance Fund —
- WELT TISTURANT
- ✓ Yarusso's Restaurant Expansion \$45,108
- ✓ Covenant Capital Commercial Building Renovation \$50,000

- Pre-Development Fund
  - ✓ Ford Site \$200,000



## HRA Enterprise Fund

#### Strategic Investment Fund

	Amount	Jobs Promised	\$ per Job	Jobs Today	Leveraged
Cray	\$400,000	200	\$2,000	340	<b>\$1,176</b>
Three Deep	\$45,000	30	\$1,500	46	\$978
Flagstone Food	\$80,000	40	\$2,000	64	\$1,250
West Academic	\$80,000	80	\$1,000	83	\$964
Redpath	\$40,000	40	\$1,000	N/A	N/A

Totals Since 2004



1,562 Jobs Promised \$2,040 Per Job Promised

\$3,186,500

1,754 Actual Jobs Today

\$1,817 Loan Amount Per Job



- Community Development Block Grant Funds from HUD.
- Approximately \$4 Million annually is available for capital projects – most of these funds used for housing.
- \$100,000 available for economic development through PED.
- Additional funding for economic development is provided to neighborhood sub-grantees (NENDC, ESNDC, Historic St. Paul).
- Challenging use of funds for economic development: 51% of a business's services need to be within HUD target geography, or needs to provide jobs to low- moderate income individuals.
  - Arnellia's
  - Model Cities Brownstone Project for Commercial Space (proposed)
    - Lake Monster Brewing (proposed)

# Tax Increment Financing ∼ TIF

- Mechanism for capturing future tax benefits of real estate improvements to pay for the present day cost of the improvements.
- Multi-year TIF District Budgets are established at the time the district is established.
- In the last 7 years, \$23.7 million of total TIF assistance has been granted for economic development projects.

# TIF Projects







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□ J & J Produce

Schmidt Rathskeller

CHS Field Infrastructure

□ Green Line Betterments

& Parking Improvements

Frogtown Square/Kings Crossing

\$2,000,000

\$1,510,000

\$1,910,715

\$1,500,000

\$9,058,000

\$1,419,552

# Conduit Revenue & State General Obligation (GO) Bonds

- Debt/Loan incurred by borrower
- Proceeds of bonds sold to the investing public are used to finance a capital project
- In the last 7 years, we have issued over \$256M in bonds for new construction/renovation, including:
  - **≻Charter Schools**
  - > Healthcare Facilities
  - > Performing Arts Centers
  - Senior Campuses and Nursing Homes

## Conduit Revenue Bonds



#### Twin Cities German Immersion Charter School

- > \$8.545 million acquisition and expansion/renovation of existing school and church buildings that were no longer in use. Financing closed in May of 2013, with the facility opening for the 2014-15 school year.
- Source of Funds Used: \$8.545 million of conduit revenue bonds issued by HRA
- Project allowed an existing and thriving school that had outgrown its space to occupy an existing school facility for their long-term use

### Conduit Revenue Bonds



- HealthPartners Bond Refunding
- Over the last two years, the HRA issued \$566 million in revenue bonds for multiple facilities throughout the metro area, \$189 million was related to Saint Paul facilities

 HealthPartners was able to reduce their cost of debt and reinvest money in all their facilities, including those in Saint Paul

## Examples of Conduit Revenue Bonds

#### Charter Schools

- \$12.6 million for Academia Cesar Chavez
- \$15.9 million for Twin Cities Academy

#### Healthcare Facilities

- \$25 million to Allina for United Hospital
- \$36 million to Gillette Children's

## Senior Campuses and Nursing Homes

- \$50.2 million for Carondolet Village
- \$26.8 million for Episcopal Homes
- \$1 million Lyngblomsten Apartments

## State GO Bonds



## Ordway Theatre Expansion

- > \$43 million renovation/expansion of the Ordway which included the demolition of the McKnight Theater, creation of the 1,100 seat Concert Hall, and expansion of the 3-story production wing. Construction started in March, 2013 and the new theater opened in March, 2015.
- Source of Funds: \$20M of State Bond funds, \$3M of Cultural STAR, \$10.65M of HRA Conduit Revenue Bonds, plus Private donations and New Market Tax Credits.

## State GO Bonds

#### Twin Cities Public Television



- \$18.4 million renovation and expansion of its 172 E. Fourth St.
   offices and studios
- Includes added space for public screenings, art exhibits,
   concerts and lectures & street-level presence.
- \$9 million in state bonding and \$85,000 from Cultural STAR program

## Technical Assistance



- □ PED is the entry point for businesses and the primary customer service arm for business in Saint Paul.
- Project Managers provide a continuum of services.
- Liaisons to main street and neighborhood business associations, and CDC's.
- The HRA undertakes land assembly, and prepares and markets sites for redevelopment.
- Interface with the community for city-wide and regional economic development initiatives.

# Prepare Sites for Redevelopment

#### **Seven Corners Gateway Site**

- Acquired and remediated the site over time;
   made infrastructure improvements;
   maintained the site until redevelopment was appropriate.
- Important gateway into downtown and proximate to the St. Paul Cathedral and Capitol. HRA can be a patient landholder.
- Tentative developer status was awarded to OPUS and Greco for market rate apartments, Radisson Red Hotel and a signature public plaza



## Land Prep for Redevelopment

#### Former Hospital Linen Site – Now Cambric Apartments and

#### Mississippi Market

- Cambric 113 Unit Senior Affordable Housing
   Project \$26 million
- Mississippi Market First Floor Commercial with Lower Level Commissary Kitchen

#### Hamm's Brewery Redevelopment

- Flat Earth Brewery
- 11 Wells Distillary
- Urban Organics







# **Economic Development Initiatives**

Commercial Vitality Zone Program

8-80 Vitality Fund

Parking Fund

# Commercial Vitality Zone

Commercial Vitality Zone Program





# 8-80 Vitality Fund

City Council approved the Mayor's 8-80 Vitality Fund in October 2014.

- \$42.5 million in projects
- Projects include:
  - Capital City Bikeway
  - Grand Round
  - Palace Theatre
  - Dickerman Park
  - Streets & Public Spaces
  - Three year timeline (through 2017)



Downtown Bike Loop - Jackson St

# Parking Fund



- PED manages the HRA's \$100M Parking & Transit
   Program, which includes 9 Ramps and 7 Lots.
- Revenue generated from this program is reinvested into projects with parking nexus.
- Proposed 2016 budget for unrestricted funds is \$2,245,000.
- A few examples from prior years:
  - ✓ E. 7th Street Traffic Study \$11,500
  - ✓ Payne Ave Traffic Solution \$30,000
  - ✓ Downtown Public Realm Strategy \$100,000
  - ✓ Purchase Lexington Library for Redevelopment -\$334,288

## Leveraging Outside Resources

There is a strong tradition of collaboration among various sectors and institutions.

 Requires all stakeholders to work together - sharing responsibility for achievement of the overall objectives.

 When our technical and financial resources are not enough or are not the right fit – we will seek the right partner(s) for help.

## Leveraging Outside Resources

#### **Federal**

- Emerging Leaders Program mini-MBA training for small to medium sized businesses.
- EPA grants for brownfield investigation and remediation planning.

#### State ~ Met Council and DEED

- Livable Communities Grants from Met Council.
- Cleanup funds from DEED.
- Ready for Rail Program resources from Met Council, the City of Saint Paul, and the Central Corridor Funders Collaborative.

#### Ramsey County

Economic Gardening Program – provides free tools and resources for companies looking to take their business to the next level.

### Other Non Profits/CDC's

- Community Reinvestment Fund
- Neighborhood Development Center



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