

#### Financial Innovations for Homeownership in Distressed Communities

**Setting the Context** 



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### About us



#### **Center for Community Progress**

- The national nonprofit focused on building a future in which entrenched, systemic blight and vacancy no longer exist.
- Serve communities through technical assistance, education and training, policy, and research. Focus on systems-level change.
- Snapshot of our work: In 2015, fielded 250 technical assistance inquiries, supported policy and programmatic change in dozens of communities and states, reached 5,500 through trainings & presentations, distributed 1000s of publications



## Local innovators:

Kirk Mills, CFA, President, St. Louis Community Credit Union

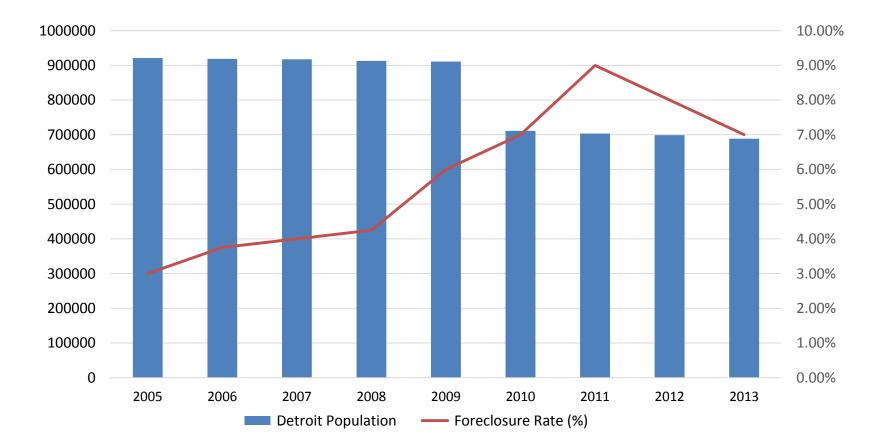
Suzanne C. Hough, Vice President - Community Development, Carrolton Bank

Colleen Schwarz, Vice President of Affordable Housing, Community Reinvestment Fund, USA



## Setting the Context: The impact of the foreclosure crisis on neighborhoods and access to mortgages

## Detroit's dramatic population decline and mortgage foreclosure crisis



Data: US Census and Urban Institute (2015)



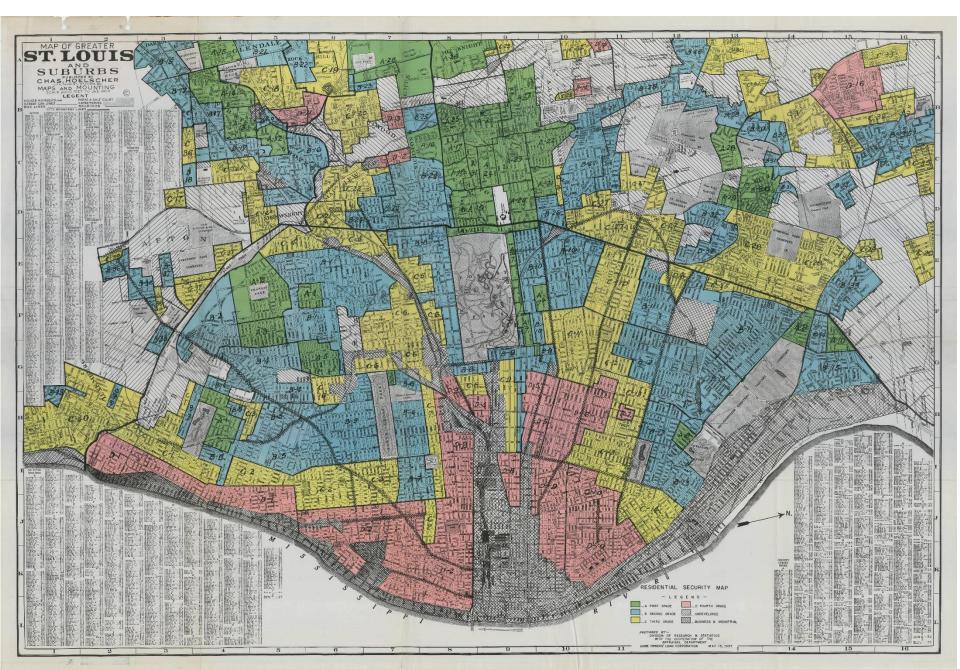


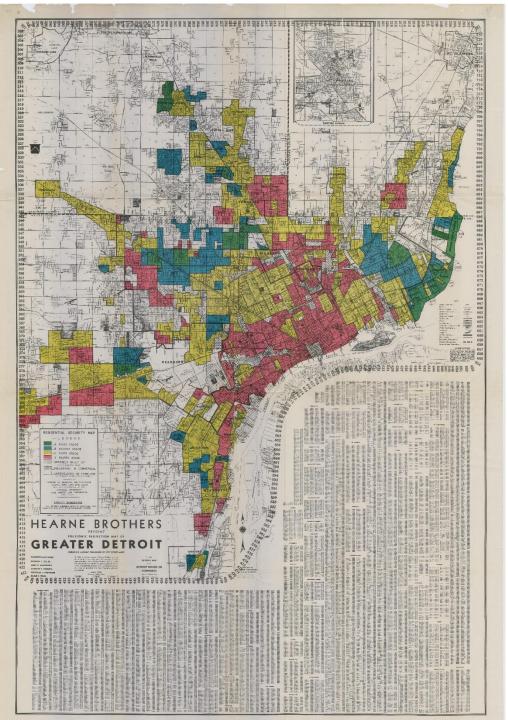




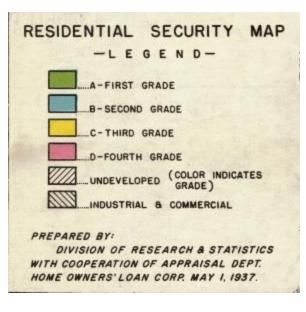
# Setting the Context: A pattern that began before the foreclosure crisis

#### St. Louis, Home Owner's Loan Corporation Map, 1937





## Detroit, Home Owner's Loan Corporation, 1939



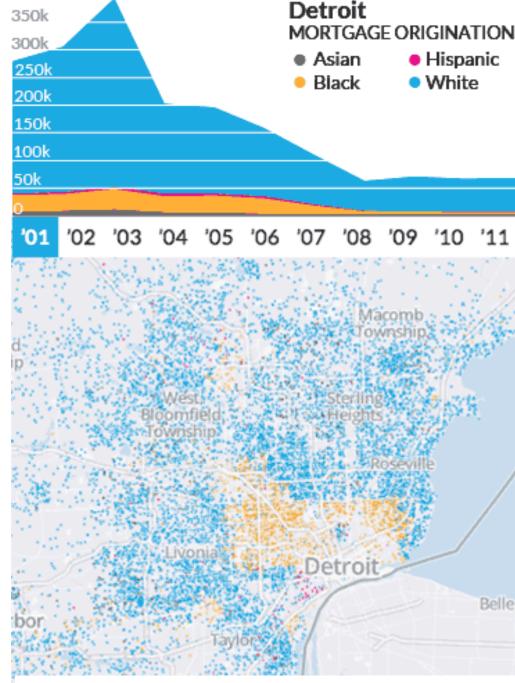


## Setting the Context: Redlining in its latest incarnation

## **New Era of Redlining**

Redlining that relies on appraisals and underwriting anchored in the decimation of values and equity in communities of color

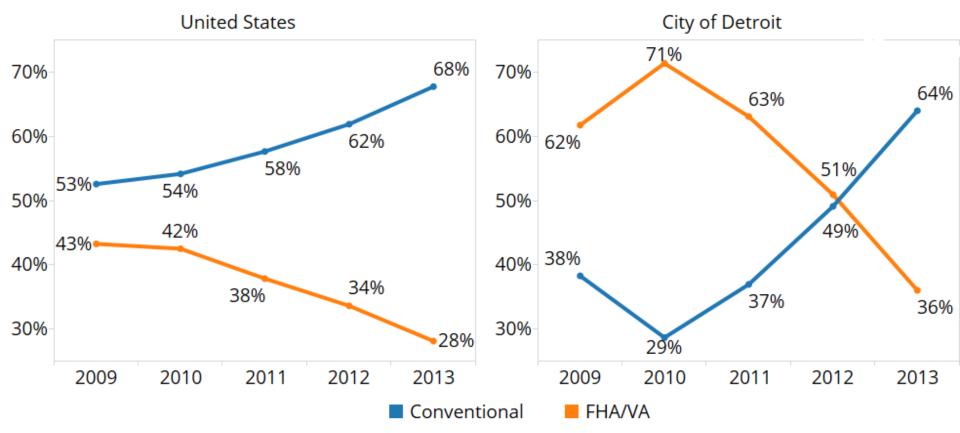
From 2006-2012 – Metro region mortgages originations fell 79% for African American applicants. By comparison, mortgage originations dropped only 11% for white applicants. (Urban Institute, 2014)



Source: Urban Institute (2014) & Open Street Map (2014)

## **Decline in FHA loans**





Source: Zillow analysis of Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council (FFIEC), Home Mortgage Disclosure Act (HMDA) data, 2009-2013



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