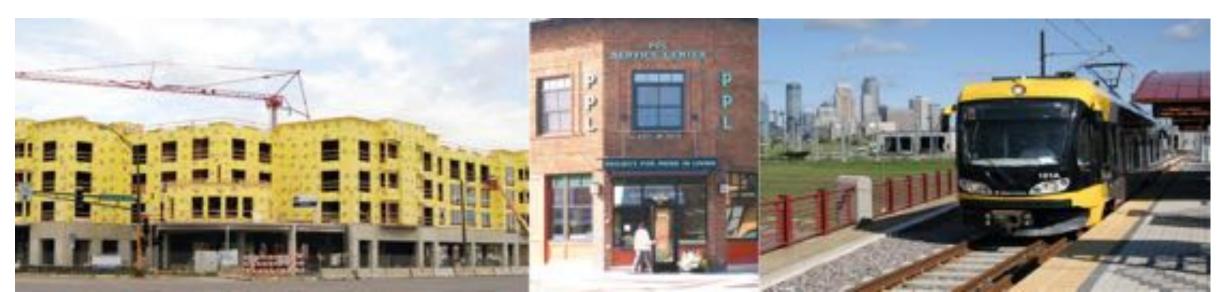
## Getting Good Projects in the Ground: Policy and Practice

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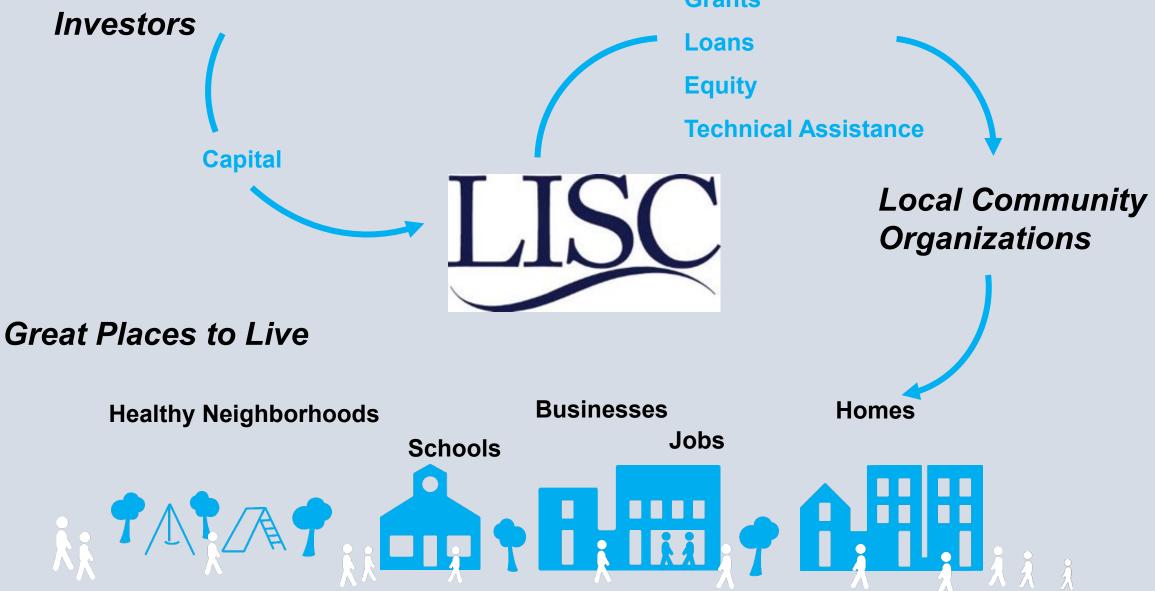
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## Community Development Finance Institution (CDFI) Grants



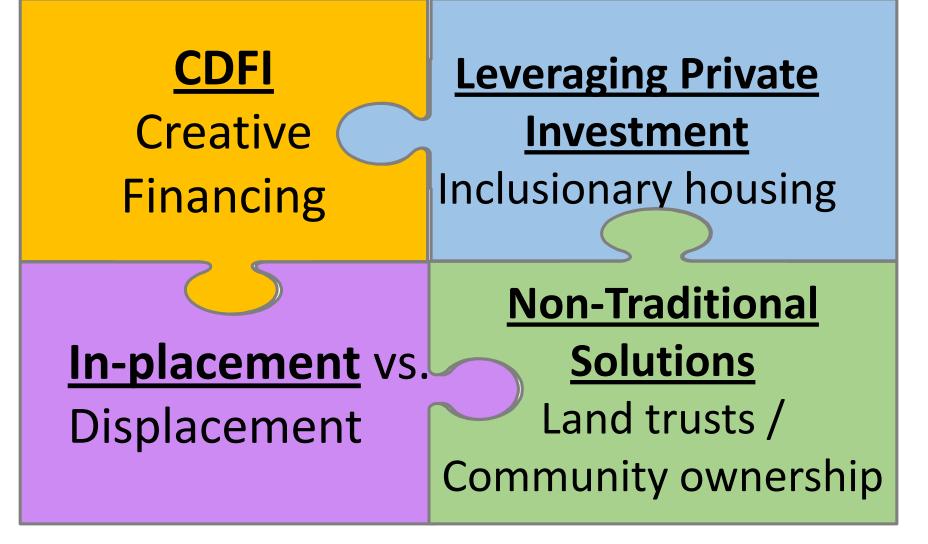
## Creating communities of choice and opportunity



## **BIG PICTURE PROJECT**

Aligning housing plans along Central Corridor Corridor Development Initiative Engaged communities guiding their future

# **Piecing it together**





#### Short- and Medium-Term Debt and Equity Products:

- Predevelopment
- Acquisition
- Construction
- Mini-Perm
- Bridge

- Working Capital
- Mezzanine Loan
- LIHTC Investment
- New Markets Tax Credit Investment

#### **Private developer: Flaherty Collins**

- 250 units / LRT transit station
- Mixed Income (80% market / 20% affordable)
- High level amenities
- Seamless integration
- Mezzanine loan to bridge private financing and 4% LIHTC (private equity bonds)



#### **Thor Construction Headquarters**

- African American led business
- Street level retail
- Office space
- Two floor community room





Central Park West – Inclusionary Policy did not apply but they voluntarily agreed to add affordable, 199 units total – 6 affordable at 60% AMI Inclusionary housing policies require the inclusion of affordable units in new multi-family developments when the developer is requesting financial assistance from the city. **Proven results!** 

**Elmwood** – Senior building, 70 units, 17 affordable at 60% AMI

Place – 300 units, 200 affordable at 60% AMI

**4800 Excelsior** – 164 units, 18 affordable at 60% AMI

**Leveraging Private** 

Investment

Inclusionary housing

**Shoreham** – 148 units, 30 units affordable at 50% AMI

Invest in <u>creative-place making</u> strategies that integrate the arts with cultural business districts.



Prioritize partnerships with indigenous community organizations





LITTLE AFRICA Business & Cultural District of Minnesota





In-placement vs. Displacement Collaborate with community developers working on behalf of under-resourced communities





Community Ownership Investment Funds

> Cooperative Driven Development

**Non-Traditional** 

**Solutions** 

Land trusts /

**Community ownership** 



#### **Community Land Trusts**

hold the land they own "in trust" forever for the benefit of the community by ensuring that it will always remain affordable for homebuyers. Gretchen Nicholls gnicholls@lisc.org 651-265-2280

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