

Democratizing the Economy Through Community Wealth Building

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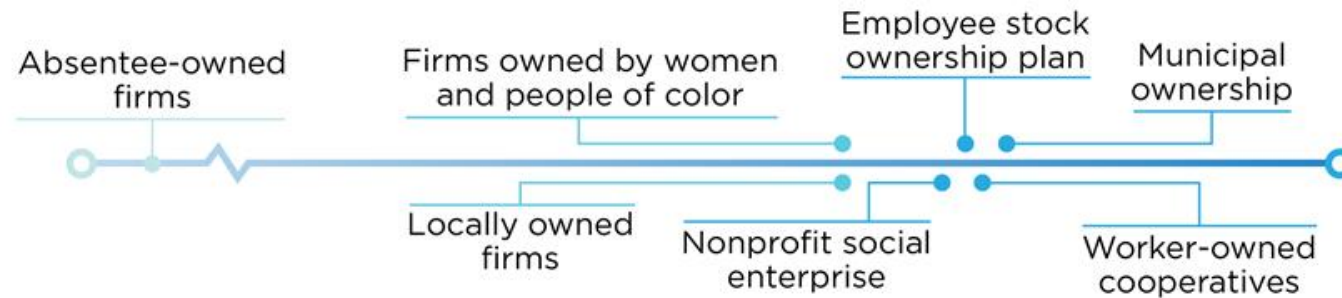
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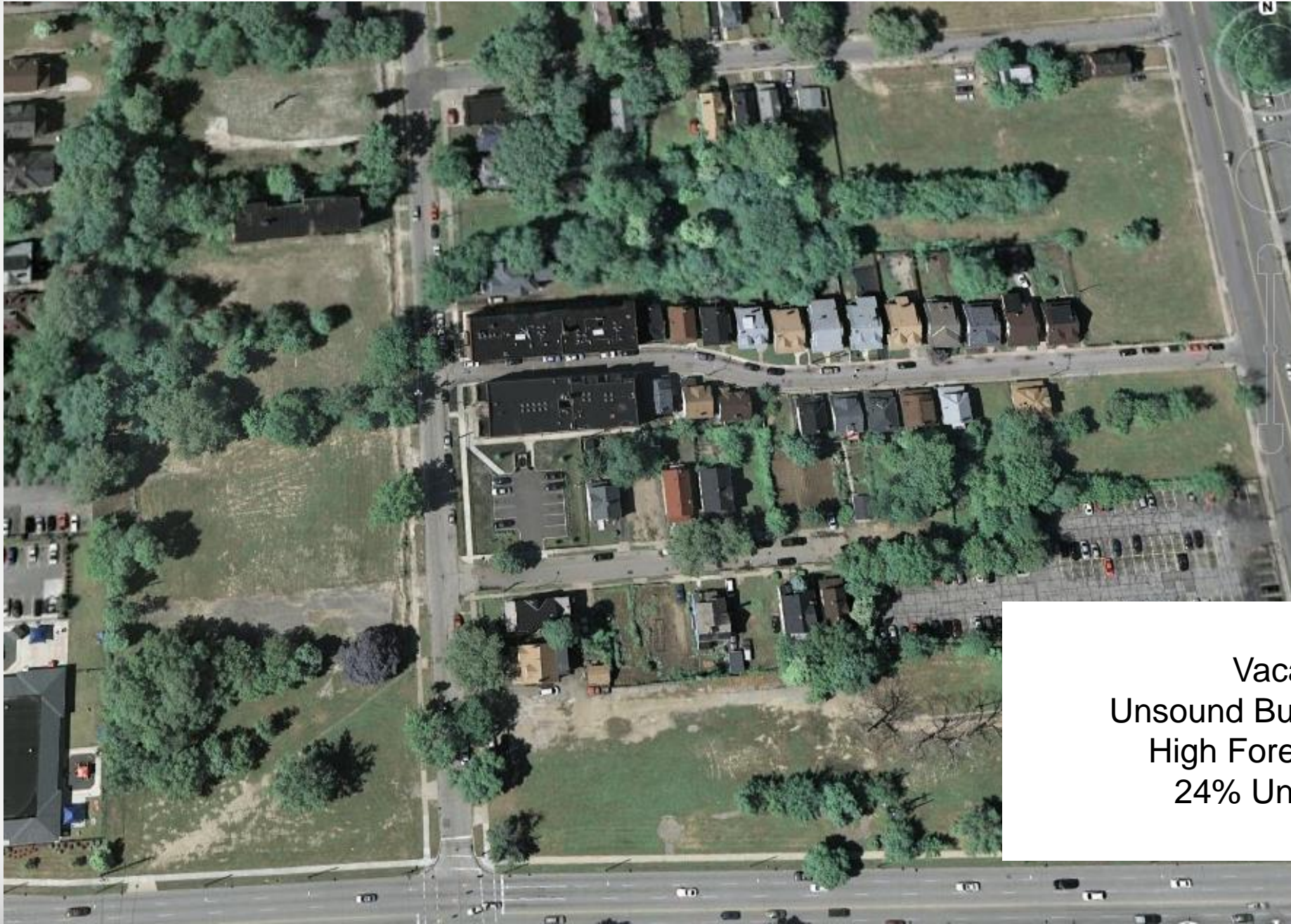
Democratic Economy Ownership Spectrum: Enterprise Forms

Conventional

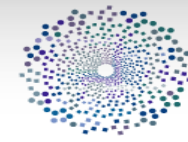
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Vacant Land
Unsound Building Conditions
High Foreclosure Rates
24% Unemployment



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Evergreen Cooperatives: Started 2009 by Cleveland Foundation and TDC

The three Evergreen Cooperatives of Cleveland were created to hire the disadvantaged, do green development, model the role of anchor institutions.

- Green City Growers
- Evergreen Energy Solutions
- Evergreen Cooperative Laundry

Employ 240.

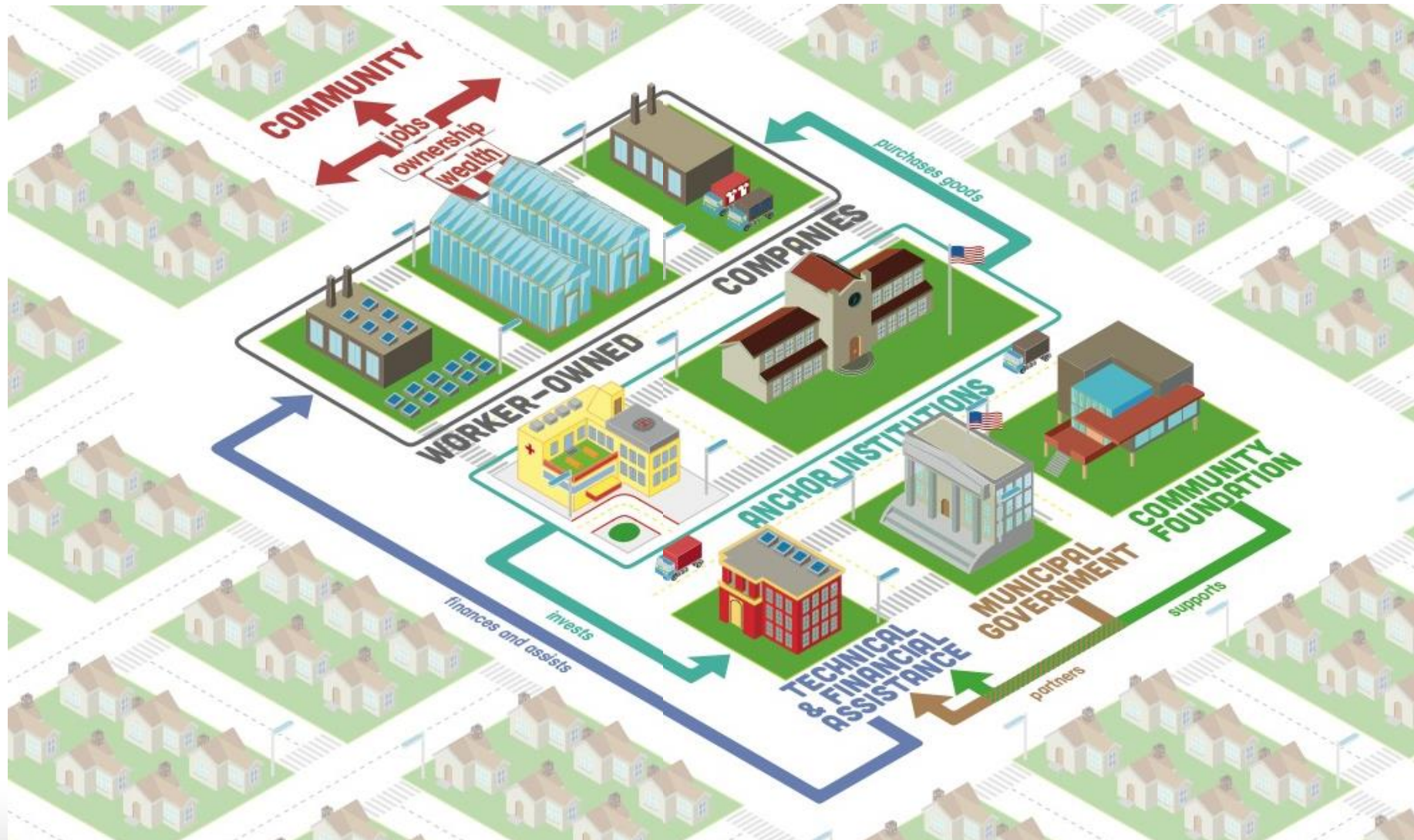
About 40% formerly incarcerated.

Living wage.

Profit sharing 2017: \$4,000.

Program to help employees buy homes.

The Cleveland Model



Thank you!

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