

Housing conditions study: Exhibit A

Hilltop/Area D

The demographics of the area have not changed since the original application was submitted. This is a copy of the housing study submitted with the original application.

Original Boundaries:

West: Bounded by the rear property lines on the west side of Hague Avenue;

North: Bounded by the railroad tracks (south of the Valleyview corporate limits); and by the rear property lines north of West Broad Street (between Wheatland Avenue and Rhodes Park);

East: Bounded by the rear property lines on the east side of Wheatland Avenue (north of West Broad Street); by Glenwood City Park; and by the rear property lines on the east side of Columbian Avenue (between Floral Avenue and Sullivant Avenue);

South: Bounded by the rear property lines on the south side of Sullivant Avenue (between Columbian Avenue and Hague Avenue).

New Boundaries:

West: Bounded by the rear property lines on the west side of Hague Avenue;

North: Bounded by the railroad tracks (south of the Valleyview corporate limits); by the north property lines of parcels 010-267201 and 010-267202 north of West Broad Street.

East: Bounded by the rear property lines of parcels 010-267201 and 010-267202 (north of West Broad Street); by Glenwood City Park; and by the rear property lines on the east side of Columbian Avenue (between Floral Avenue and Sullivant Avenue);

South: Bounded by the rear property lines on the south side of Sullivant Avenue (between Columbian Avenue and Hague Avenue).

During the Month of February, 2002, surveys were conducted in the area known as Hilltop/Area D. The purpose of the survey was to determine through surveillance of the area, the number and location of housing units within the proposed CRA that appeared to be in need of repair or upgrading and the severity of dilapidated structures that were beyond repair, and needing to be removed. The Hilltop/Area D CRA contains approximately 4,768 parcels. All are within the Columbus Public School District.

Some of the major events this area has experienced include the construction of the National Road (Broad Street) in the 1830's; the construction of Columbus State Institute in the 1860's and the construction of Interstate 70 in the 1960's.

Hilltop/Area D is one of the oldest neighborhoods in Columbus. As a result, housing stock is reflective of many periods. Throughout the Hilltop area, housing stock is deteriorating, and the area is experiencing a decline in homeownership.

The outward migration from the area can be evidenced by both commercial and residential vacancies. Photographs on the following pages illustrate various building conditions in the survey area.