

***Redefining “RustBelt”: An Exchange of Strategies
by the Cities of Baltimore, Cleveland, Detroit, and Philadelphia***

AGENDA

Thursday, February 27, 2014

Land Use: Aligning Vision and Investment

The third meeting in a series of four videoconferences hosted by the Federal Reserve Banks of Chicago, Cleveland, Philadelphia, and Richmond

8:00 a.m. ***Registration and Continental Breakfast***

9:00 a.m. ***Videoconference begins***

Welcome

- Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago - Detroit Branch

9:05 a.m. ***KEYNOTE SPEECH***

- **George Galster**, the Clarence Hilberry Professor of Urban Affairs, Department of Urban Studies and Planning, Wayne State University
- **Dale Thomson**, Associate Professor, Department of Social Sciences, and Director of the Institute for Local Government, University of Michigan-Dearborn

The two-part presentation will highlight factors such as land use across metro regions and local public finance that influence the success of revitalization strategies. The presentation will include ideas about what can be accomplished internally within a city given the regional issues and contextual limitations.

9:50 a.m. ***Q & A***

10:00 a.m. ***Introduction of participants from Baltimore, Cleveland, Detroit, and Philadelphia***

10:15 a.m. ***An Exchange Between Cities: Aligning Vision, Investment and Implementation of Land Use Strategies***

Moderator: **Jeremiah Boyle**, Managing Director of Economic Development, Community Development and Policy Studies Department, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago

Experts in all four cities will discuss strategies for implementing land use strategies, including:

- Strategies related to abandonment, demolition and blight mitigation
- Strategies related to “undevelopment”
- Strategies related to commercial corridor development in neighborhoods
- Strategies related to infrastructure and transportation in neighborhoods.

12:00 p.m. ***Informal working lunch: recap videoconference***

Following the videoconference, attendees in Baltimore may share responses to the cross-city discussion and actions being considered or underway here.

1:00 p.m. ***Meeting adjourns***