Higher Education as an Anchor Institution: Solving the Distressed Inner City Neighborhood Problem

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Getting the Entire University Involved in Neighborhood Development

Developing a Focus on Specific Neighborhoods

The Threat Posed by the Entrepreneurial University
Part One: Getting the Entire University Involved
Many Eds and Meds are Located in the Inner City
11% in the Inner City

16% Rest of the Central City

73% Rest of the United States

Location of Anchor Institutions (Eds & Meds)
Anchor Institutions are Potential Engines of Community and Economic Vitality for Distressed Neighborhoods & Central Cities
The Distressed Inner City Neighborhood Problem

- Underperforming Schools
- Bad Housing
- Depression
- Violence
- Hopelessness
- Inadequate Transportation
- Crime
- Joblessness

Inner City Distress

The Distressed Inner City Neighborhood Problem
College & University Expenditures (2008)

- Inner City: $85 B
- Rest of Central City: $125 B
- Rest of U.S.: $190 B

Goods & Services

Workforce
Can we harness this substantial economic activity and focus it on inner city development?
The University & Community: Planning & Working Together
Rebuilding their Lives as They Rebuild Their Community...
Part Two: Developing a Neighborhood Focus
Develop a Specific Geographic Focus
Part Three: The Entrepreneurial University
The End