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Dear Community Residents and Stakeholders,

For over 21 years I have proudly represented the 25th Ward and all of its residents. It is my great honor to proudly endorse the 2017 Pilsen Quality of Life Plan entitled "Pilsen-Mi Barrio."

This plan serves as a guide that will take our community and its residents into a better future by bringing residents, community organizations, stakeholders, businesses, and elected officials together to address key issues, such as: housing, jobs and economic development, health, education and youth, arts and culture, public safety and immigrations and others.

I am witness of the many hours of hard labor that it took to develop this plan. I am also witness of the large number of people and stakeholders that where involved in the creation of this plan, as my staff and I were active participants of this process.

Still, a comprehensive plan like this will be futile without implementation and execution moving forward. As committed as I was to the creation of Pilsen Quality of Life Plan, I will be committed and involved in its implementation. I ask you to do the same by find areas of interest, find out the date to the next meetings and become actively involved in "Pilsen-Mi Barrio."

Once again, it is with pride and honor that I support Pilsen's 2017 Quality of Life Plan "Pilsen-Mi Barrio." Sincerely,

Alderman 25th Ward

Letter from the PPC Steering Committee

Dear Community Residents and Stakeholders,

It is with great pride, we the members of the Steering Pilsen Planning Committee, present our new Pilsen Quality of Life Plan for the next five years. Although this plan was driven by the Pilsen Planning Committee (PPC), it was created by the participation of over 1000 people representing local residents, community based organizations, and stakeholders. The plan outlines our history, our struggles and our successes. The plan describes Pilsen's current state: a continued struggle for social justice, a celebration of culture, and a rapidly changing diversity. Most importantly it outlines a vision created by our community with specific actions and strategies to accomplish the stated goals. *Pilsen: My Neighborhood* celebrates our accomplishments and improvements in our beloved community, however it states and clarifies the work still needed in our community, such as, but not limited to: accessing affordable housing, creating a community driven economy, ensuring an excellent education for every student in Pilsen, preserving and expanding arts and culture, and maintaining a safe and healthy community. All of this, while maintaining the social fabric of our community.

Let us be clear, this plan does not belong to a selected few, or only to those who participated in its development. Nevertheless, we want to thank the more than 1000 people, the community based organizations and the stake holders who participated in this process. The countless hours that each individual invested to meet and engage in discussion and develop strategies and specific actions. Thank you also to those who believed in us and have provided financial contributions. Once again, we are grateful for the time, passion and commitment to our Barrio of Pilsen.

Today, October 21st, we proudly unveil our Pilsen Quality of Life Plan. This marks the beginning of our next phase—implementation. We hope and expect the same level of participation for the implementation as we had for the development of our plan. Whether you are a resident, community based organization, business owner, or a stakeholder, we invite and welcome you to learn about our plan and find an area of interest you may want to work with.

Once again thank you and we look forward to your participation as we begin the implementation process of collective plan.

Sincerely,

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- +~Alivio Medical Center
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Center for Economic Progress

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- *+Chicago Commons
- +Chicago Día de los Niños
- +Chicago Mariachi Project

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- +Cook County State's Attorney Office
- +Cooper Elementary Dual Language Academy
- $^*+{\sim}Eighteenth\ Street\ Development\ Corporation$
- +ElevArte Community Studio
- +Finkl Elementary
- +Frida Kahlo Community Organization
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- +Greater Pilsen Economic Development Association

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- +Instituto del Progreso Latino
- +Juarez Community Academy
- +Jungman Elementary School

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- +LULAC
- +Manuel Perez Elementary School

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- *+Mujeres Latinas en Acción
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Executive Summary

This 2017 Pilsen Quality-of-Life Plan builds on over a decade of work by the Pilsen Planning Committee (PPC) and its partnering organizations to put forth a vision to preserve Mexican and Latino culture in the Pilsen neighborhood by building on existing strengths and addressing pressing needs. This plan contains strategies and actions to develop affordable housing, create community-driven economic stability, ensure educational excellence, preserve and expand arts and culture, and create a safe and healthy community for all.

The Pilsen Quality-of-Life planning process was participatory and community-led as a means to capture the hopes, dreams, concerns, and ideas of Pilsen residents and community stakeholders. The planning process had three main phases: information collection, strategy and action development, and final plan development. Information collection took place from December 2015 through July 2016 and included participation of over 1,000 residents, community leaders, school teachers and administrators, students, business owners, and staff from community organizations and local nonprofits. Those 1,000 individuals contributed to the plan through interviews, surveys, and a variety of planning meetings that were open to public participation.

Participants in this process prioritized seven key areas that have an impact on the quality of life in Pilsen. Those areas include housing, jobs and the economy, health, education and youth, arts and culture, community coordination, and public safety and immigration. The plan includes strategies and actions or recommendations for each plan area that were developed by over 80 organizations that have committed to executing the plan.

Upon completion of this plan, implementation of strategies was already under way. Some projects that emerged from the planning process and have already been implemented include the establishment of a local business council, and the opening of a new community education center at the repurposed Perez Annex that includes early childhood education and a parent university. This plan is meant to be a living document that is adaptable to fit the changing

conditions and needs of the neighborhood. As communities change, plans—and the strategies and recommendations presented here—are meant to be updated to respond to new opportunities and challenges as they arise.

Plan Strategies

Housing

STRATEGY 1: Increase the development of affordable housing

STRATEGY 2: Accelerate the preservation of affordable housing

STRATEGY 3: Assist property owners in preserving affordable housing stock

STRATEGY 4: Provide outreach to property owners and renters about available housing resources

Jobs and the Economy

STRATEGY 1: Develop a strong business council or alliance

STRATEGY 2: Support and grow local businesses

STRATEGY 3: Beautify and improve the 18th Street commercial corridor

STRATEGY 4: Enhance workforce development opportunities

STRATEGY 5: Expand business and employment opportunities in the Pilsen Industrial Corridor

STRATEGY 6: Promote entrepreneurship

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Health

STRATEGY 1: Promote healthy lifestyles and wellness

STRATEGY 2: Increase access to health care services

STRATEGY 3: Expand access to behavioral health (including mental health and substance abuse) and address all levels of socialemotional wellness

STRATEGY 4: Advocate for health policy issues

STRATEGY 5: Expand access to and maintain green spaces throughout the community

Education and Youth

STRATEGY 1: Increase enrollment at Pilsen schools

STRATEGY 2: Build an educational pipeline from cradle to career

STRATEGY 3: Develop parent education and leadership opportunities

STRATEGY 4: Expand after-school opportunities for youth and families

Arts and Culture

STRATEGY 1: Develop sustainable funding mechanisms for the arts and artists

STRATEGY 2: Promote and preserve cultural traditions

STRATEGY 3: Expand youth arts programs and opportunities

STRATEGY 4: Create, expand, and preserve public art

Community Resources

STRATEGY 1: Develop a comprehensive community resource guide

Public Safety and Immigration

RECOMMENDATION 1: Rebrand the Family Task Force as the Public Safety Task Force

RECOMMENDATION 2: Create and build on safe spaces that promote peace and nonviolence

RECOMMENDATION 3: Provide community education on immigration and public safety issues

RECOMMENDATION 4: Provide individual legal and care services

Introduction

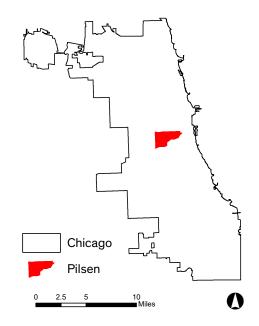
Pilsen (Lower West Side) is located just three miles southwest of downtown Chicago. The neighborhood is bounded by 16th Street to the north, the Chicago River and I-55 to the east and south, and railroad tracks just west of Western Avenue to the west.

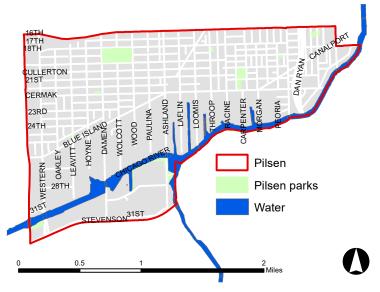
Since the mid-20th century, Pilsen has been focal point of Mexican life and culture in Chicago. Over the past several decades, residents and strong local organizations have worked to build a thriving community.

The neighborhood has numerous assets to be proud of, including its vibrant arts and culture community, strong local schools, a robust commercial corridor, strong housing stock, close proximity to local job centers, interstate highways, and local colleges and universities, as well as various community-based organizations and activists working to better the lives of residents.

In 2000, Pilsen began to change as a result of increasing housing prices and stagnant wages, two factors contributing to the threat of gentrification. Community organizations and residents formed the Pilsen Planning Committee in 2005 to develop a plan and execute their vision for a neighborhood that would serve as a center of Mexican life in Chicago. Together, they developed the first Pilsen Quality-of-Life Plan in 2006.

The 2017 Pilsen Quality-of-Life Plan builds on over a decade of work and puts forth a vision to preserve Mexican and Latino culture by building on the neighborhood's existing strengths, shoring up weaknesses, developing affordable housing, creating community-driven economic stability, ensuring educational excellence, and striving for a safe and healthy community for all.









More than 1,000 residents attended and participated in at least one planning meeting and contributed ideas to the Pilsen Quality-of-Life Plan.





Planning Process

The process for the Pilsen Quality-of-Life Plan was participatory and community-led, and facilitated by the Great Cities Institute (GCI) so as to capture and include in the plan the hopes, dreams, concerns, and ideas of residents and community stakeholders. The planning process primarily focused on encouraging deep community participation, building on existing community assets, and developing new capacity and networks to strengthen the community fabric.

The planning process had three main phases: information collection, strategy and action development, and final plan development. Information collection took place from December 2015 through July 2016 and included 26 one-on-one interviews with Pilsen Planning Committee (PPC) members; the dissemination of a community survey to over 170 individuals who live and/or work in Pilsen; a community visioning meeting with over 135 residents, community leaders, school teachers and employees, students, business owners, and nonprofit staff; and two youth-organized open houses where over 225 residents and community stakeholders prioritized and shared additional ideas for the plan. Nearly all of the 32 organizations that participated in the 2006 plan participated in the 2017 plan along with 56 additional organizations and task forces.

The community-based task force and committee structure supported the engagement of residents and community stakeholders over the following nine months. Seven task forces and committees were involved in the planning process, and these community-based entities. Some of them, such as the Pilsen Education Task Force, resulted from the 2006 quality-of-life planning process, but others were newly formed. The task forces and committees were composed of residents, staff from local nonprofits, business owners, health and mental health practitioners, local artists and musicians, teachers and principals, public safety officials, and other community stakeholders. The information and ideas collected from the community were categorized into 12 overarching issue areas, which were then divided among the seven task forces and committees.

From August 2016 to April 2017, the strategy and action development and final plan development phases took place. In the strategy and action development

phase, task force and committee members discussed their concerns for the neighborhood and used the original ideas from the community visioning and open-house meetings to develop vision statements. Next, they developed overarching strategies and actions that would help them achieve their vision. Great Cities Institute (GCI) planners served as facilitators. Members also shared the development of their strategies and actions with one another at monthly PPC meetings to foster additional collaboration on issue areas. Over 500 additional participants contributed and provided feedback to the plan during these phases.

In the final plan development phase, performance measures were developed. GCI planners worked with community members to set achievable benchmarks and a corresponding timeline for each action. Performance measures were determined on the basis of how best to measure the success of each action, including what the community wanted to achieve and ways to continue to build community capacity. When appropriate, baseline data from existing conditions were used as a guide to determine the performance measure for an action.



History

In the mid-19th century, German, Czech, and Irish immigrants first settled in the area that later became known as the Pilsen neighborhood. After the Great Chicago Fire of 1871, an abundance of new jobs in the area attracted thousands of Bohemian immigrants to the neighborhood. One such resident opened a restaurant, At the City of Plzen – named for the city in the modern-day Czech Republic – from which the neighborhood derives its name. The area became a major manufacturing hub with the presence of key railroad lines and the Chicago River, which passes through the community. Many local industrial workers participated in a series of local and national strikes leading up to the Haymarket Riot in 1886.

By the 1920s, there were large numbers of Mexicans in several Chicago neighborhoods including the Near West Side, South Chicago and Back of the Yards. The 1940 Census shows 114 Mexicans living in the Pilsen neighborhood. Throughout the 1950s and 1960s, recent arrivals from Mexico and those displaced from the development of the interstate highway system and the creation of the University of Illinois Circle Campus – later the University of Illinois at Chicago – displaced many Mexican families from the Near West Side into the Pilsen neighborhood. Since that time, Pilsen has remained a predominantly Latino community.

With historical churches and settlement houses, Pilsen is home to a strong culture of civic engagement and activism that dates to the 19th century. Since the late 1960s, Latino and Latina activists and community leaders have organized to create new community organizations, schools, and community clinics, as well as to develop affordable housing, to provide bilingual training and education, and to encourage new generations of leaders.

Since 2000, Pilsen has lost roughly 10,000 residents, the majority of whom are Mexican or of Mexican descent. Today Latino residents account for about 80 percent of the population, a number that has fallen by 9 percentage points since

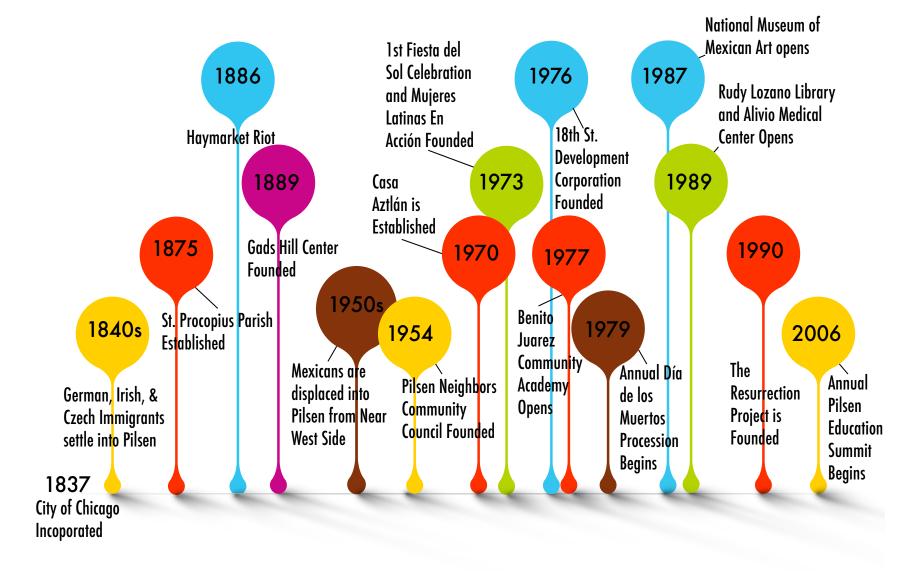
that time. Despite the changing neighborhood demographic profile, Pilsen continues as a center of Mexican cultural life in Chicago.

Over the decades, Mexican artists have created dozens of public art pieces that are located throughout the community. Fiesta del Sol – the largest Latino festival in the Midwest – began in 1973 and continues to this day. Today, Pilsen is home to numerous cultural centers, annual parades, food and arts festivals, the National Museum of Mexican Art, and other institutions that highlight the neighborhood's vibrant Mexican cultural identity.



Intersection of Blue Island Avenue and 18th Street, looking south on 18th Street, 1923. DN-0075694, Chicago Daily News negatives collection, Chicago History Museum. © Chicago Historical Society, published on or before 2015, all rights reserved.

Historical Timeline



Data sources available on page 56.

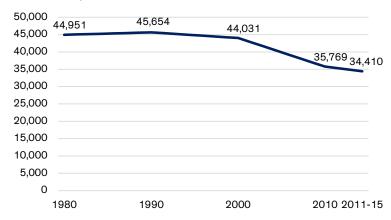
Pilsen has been a port of entry for immigrants since the City of Chicago incorporated. As such, it is a community that has experienced changing population demographics over time. Today, Pilsen continues to experience demographic changes for a variety of reasons, including overall population loss, changes in household type, and pressures on the existing population related to increasing housing costs and other factors.

In 1980, the population in Pilsen was 44,951, and by 1990, it had increased to 45,654. The population then declined in the following two decades, to 44,031 in 2000 and 35,769 in 2010. The largest population decrease, of 20.4 percent, occurred between 2000 and 2010. The 2011–2015 population was 34,410.

The Hispanic or Latino population increased from 34,867 in 1980 to 40,227 in 1990, before decreasing to 39,144 in 2000 and 27,693 in 2011–2015. The White alone (non-Hispanic or Latino) population was highest in 1980 at 9,223 and decreased to 4,806 in 1990 and 3,486 in 2000 before increasing to 4,617 in 2015. The Black or African American Alone (Non-Hispanic or Latino) population increased from 403 in 1980 to 1,117 in 2011–2015.

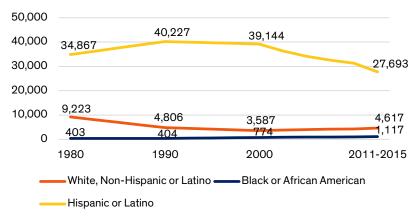
Today, 80.5 percent of the Pilsen population identifies as Latino. Of the Latino population in Pilsen, 91.9 percent are of Mexican descent and Puerto Rican residents constitute 4.8 percent of the population. No other ethnicity or national origin accounts for more than 1 percent of the neighborhood's Latino population.

Population in Pilsen from 1980 to 2011-2015



Data Source: 1980, 1990, 2000 Census and 2011–2015 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Population by Race/Ethnicity



Data Source: 1980, 1990, 2000 Census and 2011–2015 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Household type has been steadily changing in Pilsen since 1970, with the proportion of nonfamily households increasing. In 1970, 77 percent of the households were family households. By 2000, that percentage had dropped by 4 percentage points to 73 percent. From 2000 until 2011–2015, the percentage of households that were families dropped by 26 percentage points to 57 percent.

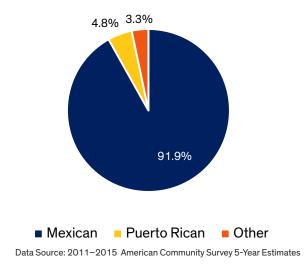
In 1990, 67.7 percent of the population had less than a high school diploma, while just 5.3 percent of the population had a bachelor's degree or more. As higher levels of educational attainment increased, lower levels of educational attainment decreased. In 2011–2015, 35.1 percent of Pilsen residents had less than a high school degree and 21.4 percent had a bachelor's degree.

The median household income saw little change between 1980 (\$37,800) and 1990 (\$37,892), increasing by just \$92. However, from 1990 to 2000, the median household income increased by \$1,614, to \$39,506. The median household income decreased in the period following 2000.

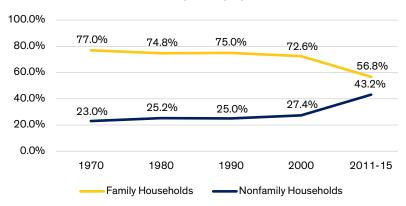
The 5-year estimate between 2011 and 2015 was \$35,103, which is \$3,510 less than in 2000. From 2000 to 2011–2015, the proportion of the population earning less than \$25,000 increased by 4.6 percentage points, while the population earning between \$25,000 and \$50,000 decreased by 1.8 percentage points. The proportion of residents earning over \$100,000 fell by 2.1 percentage points.

The poverty rate grew from 14.2 percent in 1970 to 23.5 percent in 1980, then to 26.0 percent in 1990. By 2000 the rate had dipped to 24.6 percent, but it rose slightly to 24.9 percent for 2011–2015. Additional demographic data and information are also available in each section of the plan.

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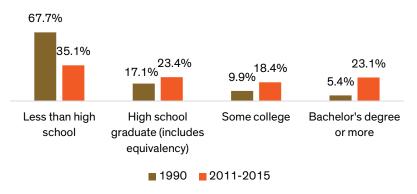


Family and Nonfamily Households in Pilsen, 1970 to 2011-2015



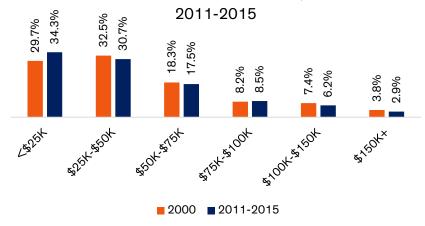
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Educational Attainment for Population 25 Years Old and Older in Pilsen, 1990 and 2011-2015



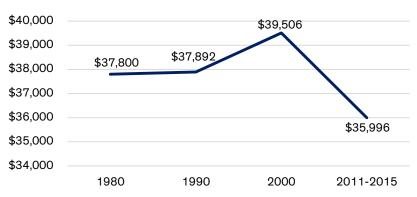
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Household Income Cohorts in Pilsen, 2000 and



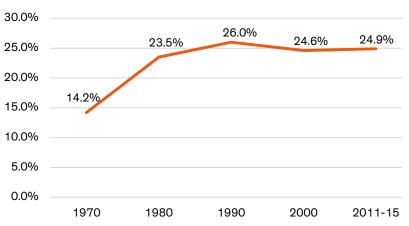
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Median Household Income in Pilsen, 1980 to 2011-2015



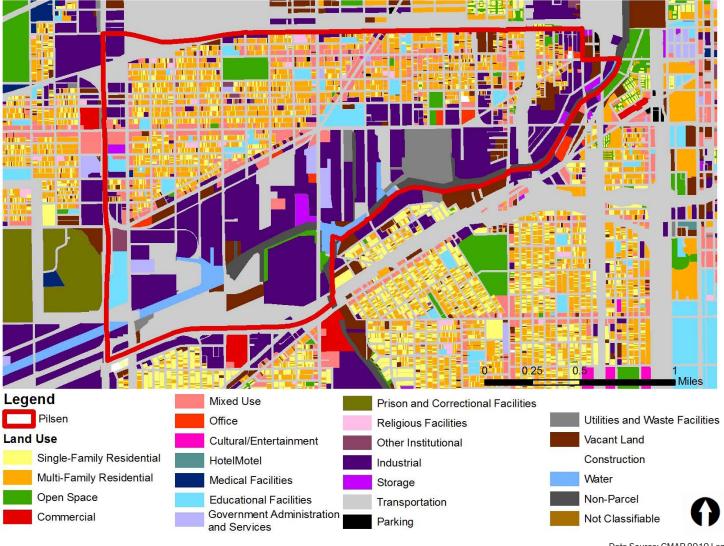
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Poverty Rate in Pilsen, 1970 to 2011-2015



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Pilsen Land Use, 2010



Data Source: CMAP 2010 Land Use Inventory. Map created by Great Cities Institute.

Note to Readers

This most recent plan is the result of hundreds of hours of work over two years by Pilsen individuals, families, and organizations. It includes the ideas and proposals of both individuals who live in the neighborhood or work there and the community organizations that are striving to provide Pilsen residents and families with education, social services, health care, cultural programming, and more.

The strategies and recommendations that follow were developed and elaborated on by various working groups and committees made up of residents and representatives from many organizations. Those groups focused on housing, jobs and the economy, health, education and youth, arts and culture, and public safety and immigration. Those groups and task forces are listed at the beginning of this document.

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Lead and Potential Organizations

The organizations that have been identified throughout the quality-of-life planning process as lead, partnering, and potential organizations to include in implementing the strategies of the plan include the following:

12th District: 12th District, Chicago Police Department

AARP: AARP

Able: National Able Network

AC: Accion Chicago

Access Living: Access Living

Ad hoc CCC: Ad hoc Community Coordinating Committee Alderman's Office: Office of 25th Ward Alderman Danny Solis

Alivio: Alivio Medical Center

AMDM: Academy of Mexican Dance & Music

AVI: Arturo Velasquez Institute

Blue1647: Blue1647

CCC: City Colleges of Chicago

Cooper: Cooper Elementary Dual Language Academy CCCMHB: City of Chicago Mental Health Board

CCommons: Chicago Commons

CCSAO: Cook County State's Attorney Office

CCT: Chicago Community Trust CDDLN: Chicago Día de los Niños

CDP: Chicago Department of Planning and Development

CDPH: Chicago Department of Public Health

CEP: Center for Economic Progress

CHA: Chicago Housing Authority

CJD: Casa Juan Diego CSS: Central States-SER

CESAP: CESAP

CHICAT: Chicago Center for Arts & Technology

CHIP: CHIP

CHS: Chicago Historical Society

Lead and Potential Organizations

CMP: Chicago Mariachi Project

CNP&F: Chicago Nowruz Parade & Festival CPS: Chicago Public Schools CPS Network 7:

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CUP: Comerciantes Unidor de Pilsen

DCASE: Chicago Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events

EI: Erikson Institute

ElevArte: ElevArte Community Studio

El Valor: El Valor Corporation

Encuentro de Jaraneros: Encuentro de Jaraneros

EPCG: El Paseo Community Garden

ESDC: Eighteenth Street Development Corporation

FKCO: Frida Kahlo Community Organization

Forefront: Forefront GHC: Gads Hill Center

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HAS: Healthcare Alternative Systems

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HMPRG: Health & Medicine Policy Research

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ILAC: Illinois Arts Council

Ingenuity: Ingenuity

ISPCC: Illinois Single-Payer Coalition Chicago

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Jungman: Jungman Elementary School

KK: Kennedy-King College

Local Business Council: Local Business Council

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MCBCTF: Metro Chicago Breast Cancer Task Force

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Mt. Sinai: Mount Sinai Hospital

Mujeres: Mujeres Latinas en Acción (Latin Women

in Action)

MOD: myowndoctor

NLU: National Louis University

NMMA: National Museum of Mexican Art

NYBDC: NYBDC

Openlands: Openlands

Orozco: Orozco Community Academy

Pachanka: Pachanka

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Park District: Dvorak Park, Chicago Park District

Perez: Perez Elementary School

PETF: Pilsen Education Task Force

PF: Pilsen Fest

PHTF: Pilsen Health Task Force

Pilarte: Pilarte

Pilsen Academy: Pilsen Academy Pickard: Pickard Elementary School

PLUC: Pilsen Land Use Committee

PN: Persepolitan Networks

PNCC: Pilsen Neighbors Community Council

PNCC/URT: Pilsen Neighbors Community Council

/University Round Table

POS: Pilsen Open Studios

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St. Pius: St. Pius V School

St. Procopius: St. Procopius Elementary School

TRP: The Resurrection Project

UIC: University of Illinois at Chicago

UIC LCC: University of Illinois at Chicago, Latino

Cultural Center

UIC SPH: University of Illinois, School of Public

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VEDC: VEDC

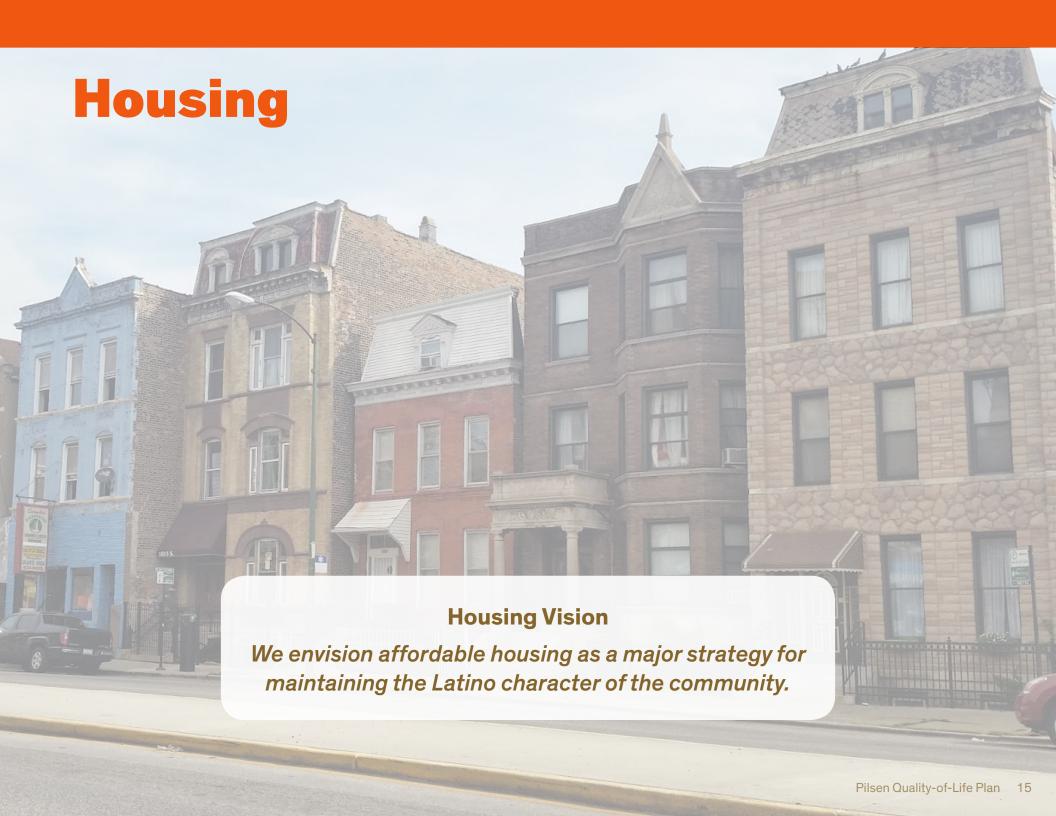
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YMCA: Rauner Family YMCA

Yollocalli: Yollocalli



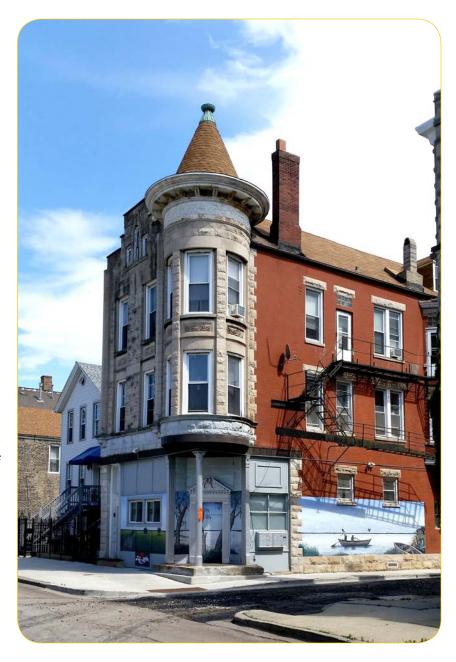
Housing

Rising housing costs for Pilsen owners and renters combined with stagnant wages and incomes have left the neighborhood with a housing affordability issue that threatens to shift property ownership away from longtime community residents.

Since 2000, Pilsen's housing stock has been transformed as many older properties have been demolished and replaced with higher-priced multiunit developments. This trend is gaining momentum, and without intervention and affordable housing strategies, it threatens the Latino identity of Pilsen.

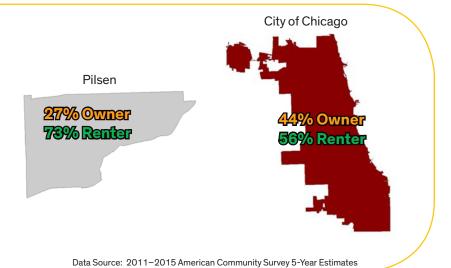
Local community organizations and parallel planning processes such as the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning's Land Use Plan have made great strides to provide resources for property owners and to develop housing units to maintain affordability. In addition, the Pilsen Land Use Committee (PLUC), with support from the Alderman, has created local policy to ensure that new developments include either 21 percent affordable housing or an equal community benefit. The strategies in this section represent the continued commitment to housing affordability in the neighborhood.

The strategies that follow focus on both preserving and increasing the development of affordable housing, acquiring properties to keep prices affordable, and assisting homeowners in maintaining their property through direct assistance and the marketing of programs that will stabilize and sustain property ownership for current residents.



Housing – Existing Conditions

Percentage of Owner and Renter Households in Pilsen and Chicago



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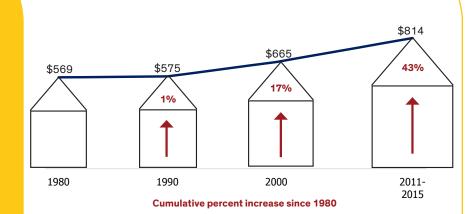
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Median House Value for Owner-Occupied Housing in Pilsen

Housing - Existing Conditions

Median Rent for Renter-Occupied Housing in Pilsen, 1980 to 2011-2015

 Median rent increased 43% from \$569 in 1980 to \$814 in 2011–2015.



Data Source: 1980, 1990, 2000 Census and 2011–2015

American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Note: Calculations by Great Cities Institute, University of Illinois at Chicago. Dollar values in 2015 inflation-adjusted dollars.

Pilsen

49% of Renters and
50% of Owners with a Mortgage
pay more than 30 percent of their
household income on
housing costs

Data Source: 2011–2015 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates
Note: Dollar values in 2015 inflation-adjusted dollars.

Percentage of Households Paying More Than 30% of Income on Housing Costs in Pilsen

 Nearly half of renters (49%) and half of homeowners (50%) in Pilsen were cos burdened, or paid more than 30% of income on housing costs.

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Housing - Strategies

STRATEGY 1

Increase the development of affordable housing

In Pilsen nearly half of renters and half of owners pay more than 30% of their income toward housing costs. The direct development of affordable housing units and enforcement of zoning to include 21 percent affordable housing units will increase the number of affordable housing units in Pilsen. In addition to the current tools available to and used by organizations in Pilsen, researching and implementing new tools will ensure that the best methods for supporting and creating affordable housing are accessible to the community.

STRATEGY 2

Accelerate the preservation of affordable housing

This strategy addresses affordable housing through actions including acquisition, owner education, and utilization of existing and new affordable housing programs and models. Specifically, acquiring housing and keeping units at affordable prices prevents market-rate units from becoming unaffordable as housing values increase. Educating residents about real estate practices and how to sell their property at fair market value will protect homeowners and allow time for more offers from current community members. Many Pilsen residents are eligible but do not take advantage of the Chicago Housing Authority (CHA) voucher program that can assist with housing costs. A new campaign for landlords and residents will raise awareness of the program and assist residents with the application process. Finally, providing an alternative affordable ownership model through a limited-equity scattered site cooperative model will give residents another affordable route to homeownership.

STRATEGY 3

Assist property owners in preserving affordable housing stock

Assisting owners of hard-to-maintain properties of between two and seven units will keep them from having to sell their multiunit buildings because of an inability to maintain them. Tracking harassment and working with the Alderman's Office to oversee building inspections will protect owners from being coerced into selling their property.

STRATEGY 4

Provide outreach to homeowners and renters about available housing resources

Providing outreach and education to homeowners about resources such as tax incentives, foreclosure prevention, and rehab and down-payment assistance programs enables residents to maintain their homes and keep costs affordable.

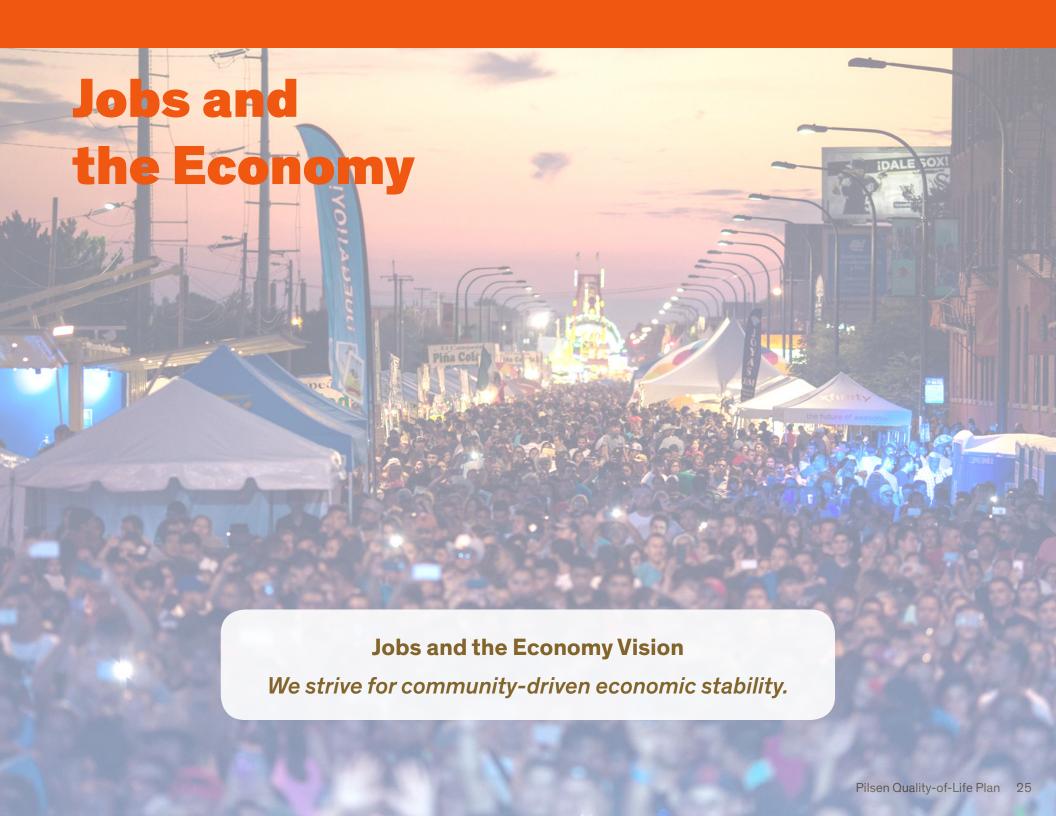
	Strategy 1: Increase the development of affordable housing.	Lead Organization(s)	Partnering Organization(s)
Action	1.1 Accelerate the development of affordable housing rental and for-sale properties.	TRP, SCH	ESDC, Alderman's Office
	Year 1: Secure financing for affordable developments.		
Performance Measures	Year 3: Utilize CHA project-based vouchers and secure Low Income Housing Tax Credits to develop 50 total units.		
	Year 5: Utilize Secure CHA project-based vouchers and LIHTCs to develop 75 units (total in 5 years).		
Action	1.2 Enforce 21% inclusionary zoning for affodable housing in private developments	PLUC	TRP, ESDC, SCH, Alderman's Office
Performance	Year 1: Ensure that developments comply with 21% affordible housing set aside zoning.		
Measures	Year 3: Promote opportunities for private developers to create 250 affordable housing units through inclusionary zoning.		
Action	1.3 Research feasibility of affordability tools for Pilsen, including utilization of tax increment financing (TIF), land trusts, land banks, interfamily trust, landlord subsidies, and products to provide affordable housing for artists and people with disabilities.		
Performance Measures	Year 1: Develop tool kit of best practices.	PLUC	TRP, ESDC, SCH, Alderman's Office
	Year 3: Advocate for use of feasible tools.		

	Strategy 2: Accelerate the preservation of affordable housing.	Lead Organization(s)	Partnering Organization(s)
Action	2.1 Acquire multiunit buildings with affordable housing units and SROs in order to preserve affordable housing.		
	Year 1: Acquire and preserve 25 units of affordable housing.	TRP	SCH, ESDC
Performance Measures	Year 3: Acquire and preserve 50 units of affordable housing (total in 3 years).		
	Year 5: Acquire and preserve 100 units of affordable housing (total in 5 years).		
Action	2.2 Create a 60-day sales moratorium period to inform community members of for-sale properties and to allow for more offers from the community.		
Performance	Year 1: Draft an ordinance.	Alderman's Office, TRP	SCH, ESDC
Measures	Year 3: Enact moratorium.		
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Action	2.3 Conduct outreach to Pilsen residents and landlords on campaign to promote Pilsen residents' use of the CHA's housing voucher program.		
	Year 1: Engage with 160 residents in workshops each year.	SCH	TRP, ESDC
Performance Measures	Year 3: Engage with 480 residents in workshops each year (total in 3 years).	_	1141, 2000
	Year 5: Engage with 800 residents in workshops each year (total in 5 years).		
Action	2.4 Conduct workshops to educate homeowners about real estate practices and how to sell their home for fair market value.		
	Year 1: Engage with 50 residents in workshops.	TRP, SCH	ESDC
Performance Measures	Year 3: Engage with 100 residents (total in 3 years) in workshops.	IRF, SCFI	LJDC
	Year 5: Engage with 200 residents (total in 5 years) in workshops.		

	Strategy 3: Assist property owners in preserving affordable housing stock.	Lead Organization(s)	Partnering Organization(s)
Action	3.1 Assist 2–7 unit property owners in maintaining affordability.		
	Year 1: Create program in conjunction w/ City and Alderman's Office.	ESDC, TRP	SCH
Performance Measures	Year 3: Preserve 50 properties.		
	Year 5: Preserve 75 properties (total in 5 years).		
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Action	3.2 Create a database of property owners who have been targeted for harassment by realtors, inspectors and/or developers.		
	Year 1: Collect 5 cases of harassment.	ESDC, TRP	SCH, Alderman's Office
Performance Measures	Year 3: Collect 10 cases of harassment (total in 3 years).		
	Year 5: Collect 20 cases of harassment (total in 5 years).		
Action	3.3 Work with Alderman's Office to ensure building inspections are not used to coerce property owners to sell.		
	Year 1: Oversee 10 inspection processes.	ESDC, TRP, Alderman's Office	
Performance Measures	Year 3: Oversee 50 inspection processes (total in 3 years).	Alderman's Office	
	Year 5: Oversee 75 inspection processes (total in 5 years).		
Action	3.4 Develop plans with owners who owe back taxes	TRP	
Performance Measures	Year 1: Develop plan with performance measures.		

	Strategy 4: Provide housing resources and outreach to property owners and renters.	Lead Organization(s)	Partnering Organization(s)
Action	4.1 Promote landlord-tenant education program.		
Performance	Year 1: Create outreach partnership.	SCH	TRP
Measures	Year 5: Engage with 1,000 residents.		
Action	4.2 Expand foreclosure counseling and prevention services.		
	Year 1: Provide foreclosure services to 150 households.	SCH, TRP	Alderman's Office,
Performance Measures	Year 3: Provide foreclosure services to 300 households (total in 3 years).	30H, HA	ESDC
mododros	Year 5: Reduce foreclosure rate to 1 per 200 parcels.		
Action	4.3 Expand home-buying workshops.		Alderman's Office, ESDC
	Year 1: Engage with 500 potential buyers.	SCH TDD	
Performance Measures	Year 3: Engage with 1,000 total potential buyers (total in 3 years).	SCH, TRP	
Mododros	Year 5: Engage with 1,750 total potential buyers (total in 5 years).		
Action	4.4 Market programs that provide resources to purchase and rehab homes.		Alderman's Office, ESDC
	Year 1: Conduct outreach to 10 residents.	SCH, TRP	
Performance Measures	Year 3: Conduct outreach to 25 residents (total in 3 years).		
mododros	Year 5: Conduct outreach to 50 residents (total in 5 years).		
Action	4.5 Promote tax-incentive programs for seniorsand longtime homeowners.		Alderman's Office, ESDC
	Year 1: Initiate 100 property tax freezes.	SCH, TRP	
Performance Measures	Year 3: Initiate 240 total exemptions and freezes (in 3 years).		
	Year 5: Initiate 500 total exemptions and freezes (in 5 years).		
Action	4.6 Conduct a housing resource fair.	_	
	Year 1: Conduct a housing resource fair each year.	TRP, ESDC, SJOM, SCH,	
Performance Measures	Year 3: Conduct a housing resource fair each year.	Alderman's Office	
	Year 5: Conduct a housing resource fair each year.		

	Strategy 4 Cont.: Provide housing resources and outreach to property owners and renters.	Lead Organization(s)	Partnering Organization(s)
Action	4.6 Offer rental assistance programs		
Performance Measures	Year 1: Offer rental assistance to 25 renters.	TRP	
	Year 3: Offer rental assistance to 50 renters (total in 3 years).		
	Year 5: Offer rental assistance to 75 renters (total in 5 years).		



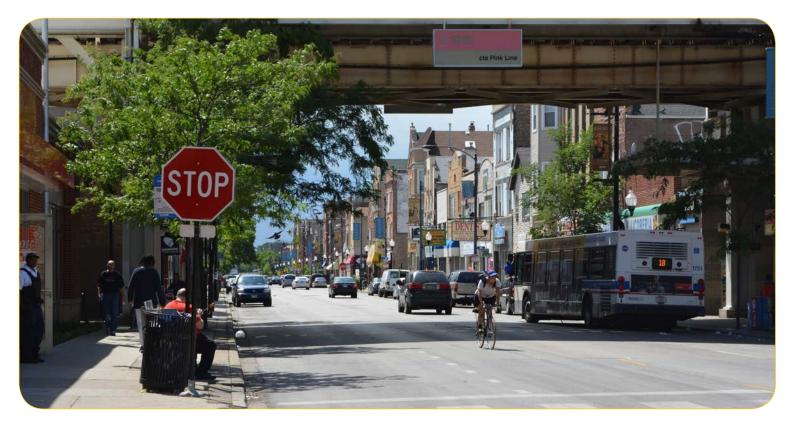
Jobs and the Economy

Job-intensive local institutions, the Pilsen Industrial Corridor, and opportunities to own and operate a small business present Pilsen residents with numerous work opportunities—if adequate connections to jobs, job training, and small business resources are made available to residents.

Pilsen's vibrant local economy is evident in the numerous locally owned Mexican and Mexican American businesses along 18th Street. As population demographics have shifted and Pilsen becomes more attractive to investors, stabilizing businesses along 18th Street and providing them with resources to grow and flourish is a priority in retaining the street's Mexican identity.

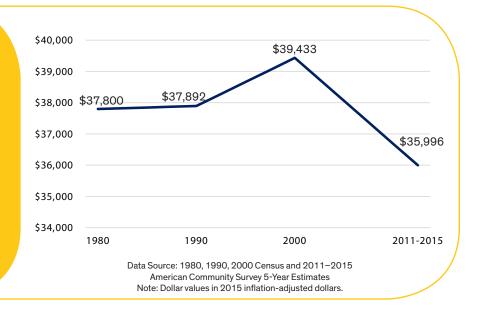
The Pilsen Industrial Corridor, Illinois Medical District (IMD), and University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC) are major employers located in or near Pilsen. Providing employment training and connecting qualified individuals to these employers can promote neighborhood stability by improving the economic circumstances of Pilsen residents.

The strategies that follow focus on reinforcing partnerships between existing organizations and associations that serve local businesses, supporting local businesses and promoting entrepreneurship, beautifying 18th Street, developing the local workforce, and strengthening the industrial corridor.



Jobs and the Economy – Existing Conditions

Median Household Income in Pilsen, 1980 to 2011-2015



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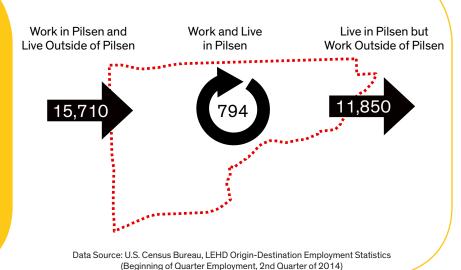
Data Source: U.S. Census Bureau. LEHD Origin-Destination Employment Statistics (Beginning of Quarter Employment, 2nd Quarter of 2014)

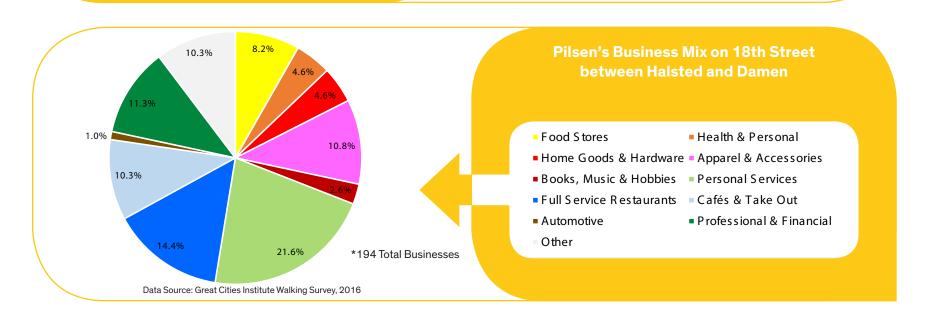
Top 5 Job Sectors in Pilsen, 2014

Jobs and the Economy – Existing Conditions

Pilsen Inflow and Outflow of Workers, 2014

- 794 people work and live in Pilsen
- 15,710 work in Pilsen and live outside the community.
- 11,850 Pilsen residents leave the community to work.





Jobs and the Economy – Strategies

STRATEGY 1

Develop a strong business council or

Strengthening the relationship between organizations and associations that serve local businesses to develop a strong business council or alliance will improve service delivery to businesses and strengthen the 18th Street commercial corridor.

STRATEGY 2

Support and grow local businesses

Local businesses will be strengthened through being showcased at festivals, marketed to the community, and highlighted through "shop local" programs.

STRATEGY 3

Beautify and improve 18th Street commercial corridor

Filling vacant storefronts, improving building facades, and making the corridor more accessible and attractive will enhance the pedestrian experience and patronage of businesses and service providers on 18th Street.

STRATEGY 4

Enhance workforce development opportunities

Linking Pilsen residents with local jobs and providing training for jobs in both Pilsen and in growing industries across the city will increase the number of Pilsen residents who work locally and in well-paying jobs outside of the community.

STRATEGY 5

Expand business and employment opportunities in the Pilsen Industrial Corridor

Preserving and expanding the Pilsen Industrial Corridor, including by enhancing the riverfront, will lead to more economic opportunity in the neighborhood for community residents.

STRATEGY 6

Promote entrepreneurship

Promoting entrepreneurship will assist Pilsen residents in starting their own businesses, filling storefront vacancies, and improving the neighborhood economy.

Jobs and the Economy – Implementation Actions

	Strategy 1: Develop a strong local business council or alliance.	Lead Organization(s)	Partnering Organization(s)
Action	1.1 Strengthen partnerships between ESDC, GPEDA, TRP, and SBM.		
	Year 1: Partner to host a minimum of 2 events annually that support local Pilsen businesses. Establish regular meetings to discuss the potential partnership activities.		
Performance Measures	Year 3: Develop general joint goals for the partnership. Continue hosting a minimum of 2 events annually that support local businesses.	ESDC, GPEDA, TRP	SBM
	Year 5: Determine governance structure for local business council or alliance, including roles and responsibilities of members and decision-making processes.	1	
Action	1.2 Strengthen working relationships with local businesses and other local business associations in Pilsen.	ESDC	
Performance Measures	Year 3: Conduct local business needs assessment. Develop specific actions to address 2 local business needs.		
Action	1.3 Explore the development of an SSA for the 18th Street commercial corridor.		
	Year 1: Develop and implement community engagement strategy to gauge stakeholders interest in enacting a SSA.		
Performance Measures	Year 3: Determine which areas would benefit from SSA and at what cost.	ESDC	GPEDA, TRP
	Year 5: Complete SSA process pending support from the community. Develop cost-benefit analysis on the effectiveness of the created SSA. Determine whether it is feasible to expand SSA to the majority of commercial areas in Pilsen.		

	Strategy 2: Support and grow local businesses.	Lead Organization(s)	Partnering Organization(s)	
Action	2.1 Hold small-business festivals and events to promote local businesses.			
	Year 1: Conduct 2 events or festivals to increase activity on 18th Street. Develop evaluation to track effectiveness of events (e.g., attendance, profits)		GPEDA, IDPL,	
Performance Measures	Year 3: Conduct 4 events to increase activity on 18th Street. Increase participation in events by 15% and profits by 10%.	ESDC	WBDC, Mujeres	
	Year 5: Conduct 6 events to increase activity on 18th Street. Increase participation in events by 20% and profits by an additional 10%.			
Action	2.2 Develop policy guidelines for community benefit requirements for events and festivals.			
	Year 1: Hold meeting with the Alderman to discuss support of the initiative.	5000		
Performance Measures	Year 3: Develop policy guidelines for events or festivals in the Pilsen area.	ESDC		
	Year 5: Reevaluate policies to ensure effectiveness for Pilsen businesses.			
Action	2.3 Expand "shop local" incentive programs.		IDPL, WBDC	
	Year 1: Implement 2 Shop Local Day events.			
Performance Measures	Year 3: Implement Shop Local Day event quarterly. Develop evaluation to measure impact of shop local events.	ESDC, GPEDA		
	Year 5: Increase number of businesses participating in "shop local" events by 20%.			
Action	2.4 Increase training and access of minority-owned businesses to secure government contracts.			
	Year 1: Host Minority-Owned Business Enterprise workshops to educate a minimum of 15 businesses on benefits and costs. Provide assistance through the bid process to 5 local businesses and ensure that bids procurements are fair.			
Performance Measures	Year 3: Develop strategic partnerships to establish coalition for contract procurement including Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. Host MBE workshops to educate a minimum of 15 residents (each year) on the benefits and costs. Provide assistance through the bid process to 5 (each year) local businesses and assist in making sure that bids procurements are fair.	ESDC, GPEDA	IDPL, WBDC	
	Year 5: Host MBE workshops to educate minimum of 15 residents (each year) on the benefits and costs. Provide assistance through the bid process to 5 local businesses (each year) and assist in ensuring that bids procurements are fair.			

	Strategy 2: Support and grow local businesses (continued).	Lead Organization(s)	Partnering Organization(s)	
Action	2.5 Market support services and resources to local businesses.			
Performance Measures	Year 3: Develop marketing materials that include all business development services and resources in Pilsen. Develop communications and marketing campaign to widely distribute to minimum of 40 Pilsen businesses.	TRP	GPEDA, NYBDC, MLEA, SBM	
ivieasures	Year 5: Marketing materials distributed on regular basis to majority of local businesses through social media and email lists.			
Action	2.6 Enhance small businesses' access to capital.			
	Year 1: Close 10 new loans for small business enhancements.	TRP, AC	VEDC, MLEA, WBDC, Able, SBM	
Performance Measures	Year 3: Close an additional 10 new loans (20 total) for small business enhancements.	1111,710		
	Year 5: Close an additional 10 new loans (30 total) for small business enhancements.			
Action	2.7 Bridge gap between east and west Pilsen art communities through trolley program.			
	Year 1: Expand business participation in trolley from 6 businesses to 12.	GPEDA		
Performance Measures	Year 3: Expand business participation in trolley from 12 businesses to 20.	GPEDA		
	Year 5: Expand business participation in trolley from 20 businesses to 30.			
Action	2.8 Increase commercial property ownership for business owners.			
	Year 1: Survey business owners to identify property ownership interest and feasibility of property acquisition.	ESDC	TRP. GPEDA	
Performance Measures	Year 3: Create a mechanism for identifying commercial properties as they become available.	ESDC	IRF, GFEDA	
	Year 5: Identify loan and funding sources for property acquisition.			
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	Strategy 3: Beautify and improve 18th Street commercial corridor.	Lead Organiza- tion(s)	Partnering Organization(s)	Potential Partners
Action	3.1 Attract new businesses and fill vacant storefronts.	ESDC, GPEDA	MLEA, WBDC, Blue1647, IDPL	
	Year 1: Identify vacant lots in Pilsen. Identify owners of vacant lots.			
Performance Measures	Year 3: Develop partnerships with entrepreneurship programs including MLEA, WBDC, Blue1647, and IDPL to connect new small business owners with vacant storefronts. Develop a business attraction plan.			
	Year 5: Reduce vacancy rate on 18th Street to 5%.			
Action	3.2 Continue and expand usage of façade improvement program.		GPEDA	
	Year 1: Continue to market TIF funding programs and other facade improvement programs.	- ESDC		
Performance Measures	Year 3: Double Small Business Improvement Fund grant usage.			
	Year 5: Develop local sources of funding to offer facade improvements.			
Action	3.3 Increase disability access along the commercial corridor.			
	Year 1: Conduct research to determine City of Chicago requirements for ADA accessibility compliance and potential funding sources.	GPEDA		Access Living
Performance Measures	Year 3: Develop plan for financing accessibility improvements to the commercial corridor.	GFEDA		Access Living
	Year 5: Ensure that 10 additional businesses accessible.			

	Strategy 4: Enhance workforce development opportunities.	Lead Organization(s)	Partnering Organization(s)
Action	4.1 Develop targeted outreach strategy to promote Pilsen residents' participation in workforce development opportunities.		
	Year 1: Build an email list of at least 30 community businesses for outreach purposes. Outreach consists of notification regarding hiring events, job-readiness workshops, customer recruitment events, etc. Post events on social media specific to Pilsen. Provide outreach material at minimum of 2 Pilsen events. Conduct orientation to workforce services twice at a Pilsen location outside the workforce center.		
Performance Measures	Year 3: Build an email list of at least 50 community businesses for outreach purposes. Outreach consists of notification regarding hiring events, job-readiness workshops, customer recruitment events, etc. Post events on social media specific to Pilsen. Provide outreach material at minimum of 2 Pilsen events. Conduct orientation to workforce services 3 times at a Pilsen location outside the workforce center.	Able, IDPL	
	Year 5: Build an email list of at least 70 community businesses for outreach purposes. Outreach would consist of notification regarding hiring events, job-readiness workshops, customer recruitment events, etc. Post events on social media specific to Pilsen. Provide outreach material at minimum of 4 Pilsen events. Conduct orientation to workforce services 4 times at a Pilsen location outside the workforce center.		
Action	4.2 Train residents for careers in Chicago's largest industries.		
	Year 1: Register 25 Pilsen residents into workforce service training programs or adult education programs (as a pathway to competitive employment in the desired industry). Assist 20 individuals in attaining industry-recognized credentials or a GED.		
Performance Measures	Year 3: Register 40 Pilsen residents into workforce service training programs or adult education programs (as a pathway to competitive employment in the desired industry). Assist 30 individuals in attaining industry-recognized credentials or a GED.	Able, IDPL	
	Year 5: Register 65 Pilsen residents into workforce service training programs or adult education programs (as a pathway to competitive employment in the desired industry). Assist 40 individuals in attaining industry-recognized credentials or a GED.		

	Strategy 4: Enhance workforce development opportunities (continued).	Lead Organization(s)	Partnering Organization(s)
Action	4.3 Connect residents and local training programs to employment opportunities.		
	Year 1: Conduct 10 job fairs or hiring events in Pilsen with a range of employers and industries.		
Performance Measures	Year 3: Conduct 15 job fairs or hiring events in Pilsen with a range of employers and industries.	Able, IDPL	ESDC
	Year 5: Conduct 20 job fairs or hiring events in Pilsen with a range of employers and industries.		
Action	4.4 Provide job search and readiness training to residents.		
	Year 1: Add zip code data collection to job-readiness workshop sign-up. Provide job-readiness training to 80 Pilsen residents. Provide job search resources on-site to 50 Pilsen residents.		
Performance Measures	Year 3: Provide job-readiness training to 100 Pilsen residents (total in 3 years). Provide job search resources on-site to 75 Pilsen residents.	Able, IDPL	
	Year 5: Provide job-readiness training to 120 Pilsen residents (total in 5 years). Provide job search resources on-site to 100 Pilsen residents.		
Action	4.5 Provide Pilsen employers with candidate-sourcing services.		
	Year 1: Meet with 4 Pilsen employers to engage in the usage of the workforce program for candidate sourcing purposes. Host hiring events for at least 2 Pilsen employers.		
Performance Measures	Year 3: Increase Pilsen employer contacts by 50%. Host hiring events for at least 4 Pilsen employers.	Able	
	Year 5: Increase Pilsen employer contacts by 50%. Host hiring events for at least 6 Pilsen employers.		

	Strategy 5: Expand business and employment opportunities in the Pilsen industrial corridor.	Lead Organization(s)	Partnering Organization(s)
Action	5.1 Preserve land in the Pilsen Industrial Corridor for industrial uses.		
Performance	Year 3: Advocate for policies and development that ensure the continuation of Pilsen Industrial Corridor.	ESDC, PLUC	
Measures	Year 5: Ensure continuation of Pilsen Industrial Corridor zoning for industrial use.		
Action	5.2 Increase local employment in Pilsen Industrial Corridor.		
	Year 1: Develop research scan of existing workforce development programs and their connection to the Industrial Corridor.	ESDC, IDPL	Able
Performance Measures	Year 3: Develop plan for increasing employment in Pilsen Industrial Corridor.	ESDO, IDI E	Able
	Year 5: Achieve 5% increase in number of Pilsen residents employed in Pilsen Industrial Corridor.		
Action	5.3 Develop a plan for the redevelopment of the industrial corridor and riverfront.		
Performance	Year 3: Expand businesses in the Pilsen Industrial Corridor. Start by looking at the redeveloping the Fisk site for advanced light manufacturing.	ESDC	
Measures	Year 5: See reducting in vacancy rate at Pilsen Industrial Corridor to 9% from 11.7% (according to CMAP).		

	Strategy 6: Promote entrepreneurship	Lead Organization(s)	Partnering Organization(s)
Action	6.1 Develop targeted outreach strategy to promote entrepreneurship among Pilsen residents.	MLEA, Blue1647,	TRP
Performance Measures	Year 3: Develop an outreach strategy and build partnerships with the Pilsen Planning Committee and the Pilsen Education Task Force. Develop tracking mechanism to track Pilsen residents in services.	SBM	
Action	6.2 Provide small business development and entrepreneurship training to Pilsen residents in English and Spanish.	MLEA, Blue1647,	
	Year 1: Increase number of Pilsen women participating in entrepreneurship training program by 10%. Hold 2 classes of entrepreneur training (6 weeks) of 20 people each.		
Performance Measures	Year 3: Increase number of Pilsen women participating in entrepreneurship training program by 10%. Hold 2 classes of entrepreneur training (6 weeks) of 20 people each.	SBM	
	Year 5: Increase number of Pilsen women participating in entrepreneurship training program by 10%. Hold 2 classes of entrepreneur training (6 weeks) of 20 people each.		



Health

Pilsen has several health institutions located within the community or in close proximity. More than eight local hospitals, medical clinics, and a wide array of local community-based organizations provide disease prevention, nutrition and fitness education, and behavioral health services (which include but are not limited to education and treatment around mental health disorders, trauma, domestic violence, sexual assault, and substance abuse).

However, many residents may not be aware of services that are available in the community. In the Quality-of-Life Survey that informs this plan, only 34 percent of respondents indicated that they believed health care was available or very available in their community. In the area of mental health, 50 percent of respondents remarked that there was little or no availability of services.

According to the Chicago Department of Health, the top three causes of death in Pilsen are coronary heart disease, stroke, and diabetes. In community outreach work, maintaining a healthy lifestyle that includes access to healthy foods and regular health-care services and also increasing exercise are critical to improving the health and well-being of all residents.

The strategies that follow focus on illness prevention and increasing awareness of health services and healthy living, as well as greater access to health, community education, and wellness services throughout the community. They also promote healthy lifestyles, advocate for critical health policy issues, and expand access to green spaces throughout the community.



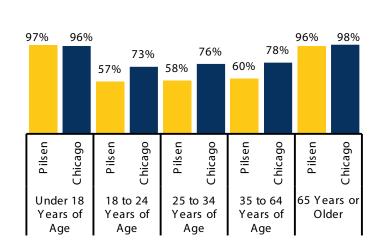


Health – Existing Conditions

Open Space in Pilsen



Data Source: CMAP Pilsen and Little Village Existing Conditions Report. Map created by the Great Cities Institute, University of Illinois at Chicago.



Pilsen Residents Who Have Health Insurance Coverage

Data Source: 2011–2015 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Health – Existing Conditions

Obesity Rate for Pilsen Youth

 47% to 53% of Pilsen's kindergarteners and 6th and 9th graders were obese in 2010–2011.



Data Source: Overweight and Obesity among Chicago Public Schools Students 2010—-2011, City of Chicago, February 2013

Pilsen Quality-of-Life Survey

Availability of Neighborhood Health Care

- 34% of respondents rated health care as available or very available.
- 25% rated health-care quality as good or very good
- 32% rated the quality of health care as poor or very poor.

Mental Health Services Availability

50% of survey respondents indicated little or no availability of services.

Healthy Food

 36% of respondents rated the availability of healthy foods as available or very available.

Data Source: Great Cities Institute Quality-of-Life Surve

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Health - Strategies

STRATEGY 1

Promote healthy lifestyles and wellness

This strategy focuses on improving community health and well-being by systematically identifying and assessing available resources and services and working collaboratively across organizations to connect residents more effectively to the programs they need. In addition, creating a healthy food campaign with local restaurants will help residents make more informed meal choices for their families.

STRATEGY 2

Increase access to health-care services

By aligning efforts and developing partnerships, Pilsen will be better able to ensure that residents have access to all of the health-care services that are available. Providing accessible information to residents will increase awareness of the availability of resources in the community. Utilizing new technology tools will also increase access to information or doctors, and increasing enrollment in health insurance programs for 18- to 64-year-olds will improve access for a population that is currently underinsured.

STRATEGY 3

Expand access to behavioral health (includes both mental health and substance abuse) and address all levels of socioemotional wellness

Improving access to behavioral health is critical for the overall health and well-being of Pilsen residents. By increasing awareness of and education about behavioral health disorders, we can reduce stigma and increase treatment opportunities. Providing trauma-informed services will give residents who have experienced abuse, violence, racism, discrimination, poverty, and/ or oppression needed resources to reduce its harmful effects. Fostering coordination and collaboration between health institutions and local schools is a key component to success.

STRATEGY 4

Advocate for health policy issues

Advocating for comprehensive health policy that supports the strategies and actions that health institutions and organizations can implement on the ground will maximize their impact—specifically, providing support to community health workers, expanding access to health insurance, and increasing the availability of green space in the community.

STRATEGY 5

Expand access to and maintain green spaces throughout the community.

Expanding access to green spaces will allow for increased opportunities for community gatherings, health and wellness education, and group and individual recreation activities. Programs held in green spaces can teach about healthy eating, exercise, and gardening, and can also provide opportunities for intergenerational activities. Properly maintaining green spaces will ensure that these valuable areas can be utilized to their fullest potential and will last into the future.

	Strategy 1: Promote healthy lifestyles and wellness.	Lead Organization(s)	Partnering Organization(s)	Potential Partners
Action	1.1 Identify and coordinate community health education and community health fairs that promote wellness through disease prevention and information on prevalent chronic diseases with access and follow-up to comprehensive health services and continuum of care.		UIH, SAH	Alivio, HH, Rush,
	Year 1: Identify and work collaboratively on 2 major health awareness activities that each serve a minimum of 300 Pilsen residents.	PHTF		
Performance Measures	Year 3: Identify and work collaboratively on 4 major health awareness activities that each serve a minimum of 300 Pilsen residents.			PWC, AARP
	Year 5: Identify and work collaboratively on 6 major health awareness activities that each serve a minimum of 300 Pilsen residents.			
Action	1.2 Assess venues for physical activities to promote exercise for all age levels, families, individuals and people with disabilities through city parks and community resources.	НН	Alivio	Park District, Access Living, AARP
	Year 1: Develop database for inventory, and complete 30% of inventory and assessment.			
Performance Measures	Year 3: Complete 60% of inventory and assessment.			
	Year 5: Complete and fully promote 100% of inventory and assessment.			
Action	1.3 Identify, assess and connect residents to fitness programs, mindfullness and meditation programs in the community and at parks and schools.		Alivio	Park District, Access Living
	Year 1: Develop database for inventory, and complete 30% of inventory and assessment.	PHTF, HH		
Performance Measures	Year 3: Complete 60% of inventory and assessment.	11111,1111		
	Year 5: Complete and fully promote 100% of inventory and assessment.			
Action	1.4 Create healthy food campaign with local restaurants.	Alivio PHTF		
Performance	Year 3: 10% of local restaurants include healthy options on menus and list calories of menu items.		ESDC, Local Business Council, HH,	
Measures	Year 5: 30% of local restaurants include healthy options on menus and list calories of menu items.			Rush, SAH

	Strategy 2: Increase access to health-care services.	Lead Organization(s)	Partnering Organization(s)	Potential Partners
Action	2.1 Provide information on how to access health-care systems and health-related organizations.			CDPH, Alivio, Rush, PWC,
Performance	Year 1: Develop information and promotional materials, including fact sheets, presentations, outreach emails, text message campaigns, and social media. Develop partnerships with other task forces for outreach.	PHTF	UIH	
Measures	Year 3: Conduct outreach campaigns in partnership with local schools.			AARP
	Year 5: Conduct outreach campaigns with the wider community.			
Action	2.2 Assess and identify health-care resources (health care systems, federally qualified health centers, available resources for undocumented immigrants, and community health organizations)			
	Year 1: Develop partnerships with the City of Chicago Department of Health to determine the full scope of what already exists in Pilsen.	PHTF	UIH	CDPH, Alivio,
Performance Measures	Year 3: Complete inventory and resource guide. Complete outreach plan and implement it in the community.			Rush
	Year 5: Fully disseminate resource guide in the community.			
Action	2.3 Increase access to primary care and community resources.			
	Year 1: Public education awareness campaign is developed.		PHTF	CDPH, Alivio, Rush
Performance Measures	Year 3: Conduct outreach campaigns in partnership with local schools.			
	Year 5: Conduct outreach campaigns with the wider community.			
Action	2.4 Increase enrollment in government and private health care programs.			
Performance Measures	Year 5: Increase enrollment in health insurance programs for 18- to 64-year-olds by 10%.	UIH, Alivio, SAH	PHTF	
Action	2.5 Assess, identify, and deploy technology tools that can increase access to health care resources.			
	Year 1: Identify partners. Complete needs assessment with partners and pilot definitions document. Hold focus groups/surveys with end-user community patients. Launch small pilot.	MOD PHTE	5,1	Alivio, Rush, UIH,
Performance Measures	Year 3: Fully implement tools around one target population with measurable outcomes for improved patient well-being.		PETF	
	Year 5: Fully implement tools in 2 organizations around multiple target populations with measurable outcomes for improved patient well-being.			

	Strategy 3: Expand access to behavioral health (which includes mental health and substance abuse education, prevention, intervention, and treatment) and address all levels of socioemotional wellness	Lead Organization(s)	Partnering Organization(s)	Potential Partners
Action	3.1 Identify mental health, substance abuse, and socioemotional wellness resources in the community.		PHTF, PETF, Ad Hoc CCC, PWC	CCCMHB, HAS, Mujeres, SAH
Performance	Year 1: Develop database for resources inventory; complete 40% of inventory.	GHC		
Measures	Year 3: Complete 100% of resources inventory.			
Action	3.2 Foster coordination and collaboration between behavioral health community-based organizations, primary health institutions, other social services organizations, and local schools.		GHC, SAH, PWC,	Alivio, UIH, Rush, Pilsen Academy, Jungman, Perez,
	Year 1: Create and implement Information and referral system. Develop outcomes.			
Performance Measures	Year 3: Create 20 new partnerships.		PETF, CPS Network 7	Whittier, Walsh, Ruiz, Orozco, Cooper, Juarez
	Year 5: Create 40 new partnerships.			, ,
Action	3.3 Increase awareness, knowledge base, and enrollment in mental health and socioemotional wellness support programs.			
	Year 1: Minimum of 2,000 people have received information about mental health and socioemotional wellness support programs.		PWC, SAH, PHTF	
Performance Measures	Year 3: Minimum of 3,000 people total in 3 years have received information about mental health and socioemotional wellness support programs, with a 10% increase in participation in behavioral health programs.			GHC, HAS, Mujeres
	Year 5: Minimum of 5,000 people total in 5 years have received information about mental health and socioemotional wellness support programs, with a 10% increase in participation in behavioral health programs.			

	Strategy 3: Expand access to behavioral health (which includes mental health and substance abuse education, prevention, intervention, and treatment) and address all levels of socioemotional wellness (continued)	Lead Organization(s)	Partnering Organization(s)	Potential Partners
Action	3.4 Develop behavioral health teams at all schools and provide services.			Pilsen Academy, Jungman, Perez,
	Year 1: Develop socioemotional guidelines for principals and teachers, and train relevant school staff. Implement behavioral health teams at all Pilsen elementary schools. Develop guidelines and performance measures.			
Performance Measures	Year 3: Test and revise erformance measures.	CPS Network 7	PETF, PHTF	Whittier, Walsh, Ruiz, Orozco, Cooper, Juarez
	Year 5: Implement behavioral health teams at all high schools. Achieve performance measures.			
Action	3.5 Provide trauma-informed services for youth, family, and community at large.			LIAG M :
	Year 1: School principals and assistant principals receive trauma-informed training. Provide services to a minimum of 1,400 individuals in the community.	GHC, CPS Network 7	0110 000	
Performance Measures	Year 3: Provide services to 1,540 individuals (total in 3 years) in the community.		HAS, Mujeres, PWC	
	Year 5: Provide services to 1,700 individuals (total in 5 years) in the community.			
Action	3.6 Assess, identify, and implement technology tools that can increase access to services.			
	Year 1: Identify partners. Complete needs assessment with partners and pilot definitions document. Hold focus groups/surveys with end-user community members. Launch small pilot.			Alivio, UIH, Rush,
Performance Measures	Year 3: Fully implement tools around one target population with measurable outcomes for improved member well-being.	MOD		GHC, HAS, Mujeres, PWC, SAH
	Year 5: Fully implement tools in 2 organizations around multiple target populations with measurable outcomes for improved member well-being.			

	Strategy 4: Advocate for health policy issues.	Lead Organization(s)	Partnering Organization(s)	Potential Partners
Action	4.1 Develop campaign and policy to support the accessibility of essential resources and reimbursement for community health workers.	SAH	Mt. Sinai, Alivio	HMPRG
Performance Measures	Year 5: Passage and implementation of new policy.	SALL		
Action	4.2 Develop advocacy campaigns to support health care insurance coverage and national single-payer system.			
	Year 1: Work with legislators to ensure continual affordable health coverage for all.	MCBCTF, PHTF	SAH, UIC SPH,	
Performance Measures	Year 3: Work with legislators to ensure continual affordable health coverage for all.	MODOTI, ITITI	Alivio, ISPCC	
	Year 5: Work with legislators to ensure continual affordable health coverage for all.			
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Action	4.3 Advocate for the permanent protection of existing green space and an increase in available green space in new developments as part of community benefits agreements.	PLUC	EPCG	0 1 1
Performance Measures	Year 5: Increase green space ratio in Pilsen by 10%.			Openlands
Action	4.4 Advocate for inclusive and comprehensive health policy that reflects the goals and vision of the Pilsen Quality-of-Life Plan at the city, state, and national levels.		UIC SPH, AARP	
	Year 1: Create a policy committee to work on issues identified by PHTF. Identify 3 health policy issues for campaigns.	MCBCTF, PHTF		
Performance Measures	Year 3: Develop and implement 1 successful campaign and achieve benchmarks.			
	Year 5: Develop and implement 2 successful campaign and achieve benchmarks.			
Action	4.5 Advocate for policies and services for seniors and older adults.			
	Year 1: Create a policy committee to work on issues related to seniors and older adults. Three senior and older adult health policy issues identified for campaigns.	PHTF	AARP, Alivio	
Performance Measures	Year 3: Develop and implement 1 successful campaign and achieve benchmarks.	FILE AV	7 V U.V. , / WILVIO	
	Year 5: Develop and implement 2 successful campaign and achieve benchmarks.			

	Strategy 5: Expand access to and maintain green spaces throughout the community.	Lead Organization(s)	Partnering Organization(s)	Potential Partners
Action	5.1 Promote outdoor community exercise through the use of El Paseo, parks, public spaces, bike paths, and access to the river.			
	Year 1: Host a minimum of 5 community events that promote community exercise and serve over 200 residents.	LIII EDOC		Deale District
Performance Measures	Year 3: Host a minimum of 10 community events that promote community exercise and serve over 400 residents (total in 3 years).	HH, EPCG	TRP, AARP	Park District
	Year 5: Host a minimum of 15 community events that promote community exercise and serve over 600 residents (total in 5 years).			
Action	5.2 Connect residents to school and community gardens and markets for healthy eating and wellness.	- HH	PHTF, EPCG, AARP	PETF
	Year 1: Host a minimum of 2 community events at community gardens to promote healthy eating.			
Performance Measures	Year 3: Host a minimum of 4 community events at community gardens to promote healthy eating.			
	Year 5: Host a minimum of 6 community events at community gardens to promote healthy eating.			
Action	5.3 Expand program opportunities at El Paseo Community Garden.			
	Year 1: Develop intergenerational gardening programming with seniors, families, and youth. Expand the number of participating youth by 10%.	FD00		TRP, Alivio, ESDC, ElevArte,
Performance Measures	Year 3: Expand the range of programs to include additional arts and cultural options. Expand the total number of participants by 20%.	EPCG		PACC, PHTF, Park District, AARP
	Year 5: Expand the range of programs to include additional arts and cultural options. Expand the total number of participants by 30%.			, , , , , ,
Action	5.4 Develop advisory committee for El Paseo development moving forward.	PNCC	EPCG, TRP	
Action	5.5 Encourage implementation the open-space recommendations in the Pilsen and Little Village Land Use Plan developed by the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning.	PNCC	EPCG, TRP	Openlands, CDP



Education and Youth

Pilsen has an abundance of educational institutions and youth- and familyserving organizations with a strong collaborative foundation. The Pilsen Education Task Force (PETF) was formed in 2006 and consists of more than 45 community organizations, public schools, colleges and universities, and parents.

According to the U.S. Census, Pilsen was home to 14,197 children and youth age 24 and younger in 2010. From 2000 to 2010, the youth population age 24 and younger decreased by 6,791 individuals.

Changes in the population have led to a decline in enrollment at local schools, and eight of the ten public elementary schools were listed as "underutilized" on the 2015 Chicago Public Schools Space Utilization report. Additionally, according to the PETF, approximately 1,500 school-age children who live in Pilsen attend schools outside of the neighborhood.

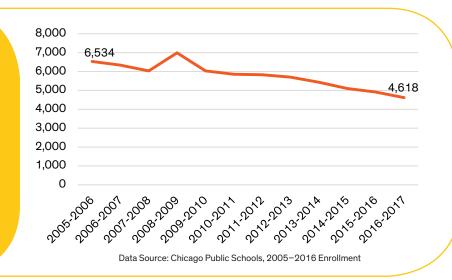
The strategies that follow focus on increasing enrollment at Pilsen schools through coordinating a marketing strategy to highlight the quality of education provided in the community, building a seamless educational pipeline from cradle to career with supports for children and families in order to increase educational attainment and success, providing educational opportunities for parents and developing their leadership skills, and expanding after-school opportunities for youth and families throughout the community.

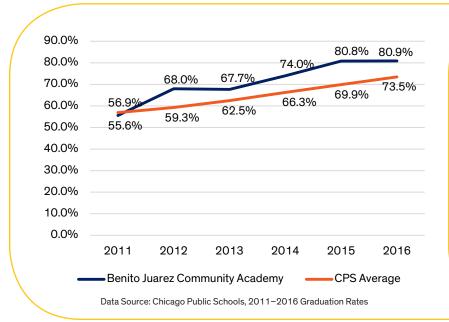




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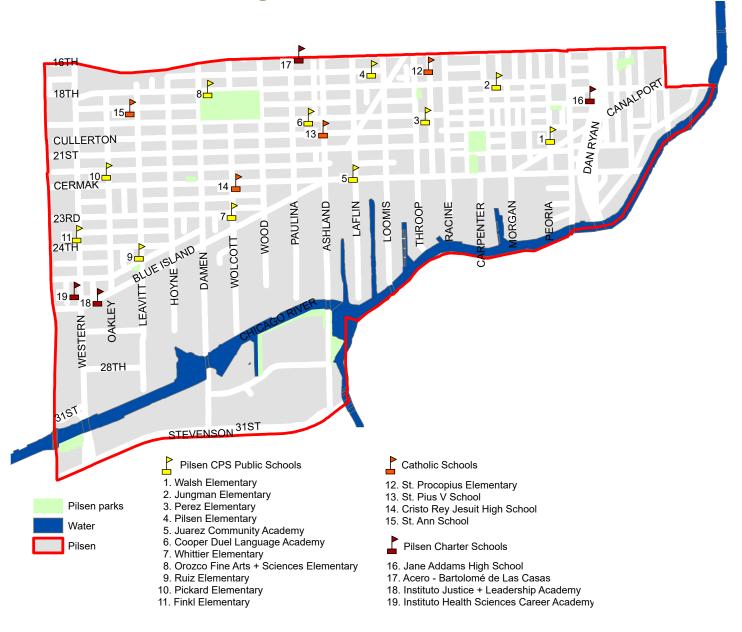




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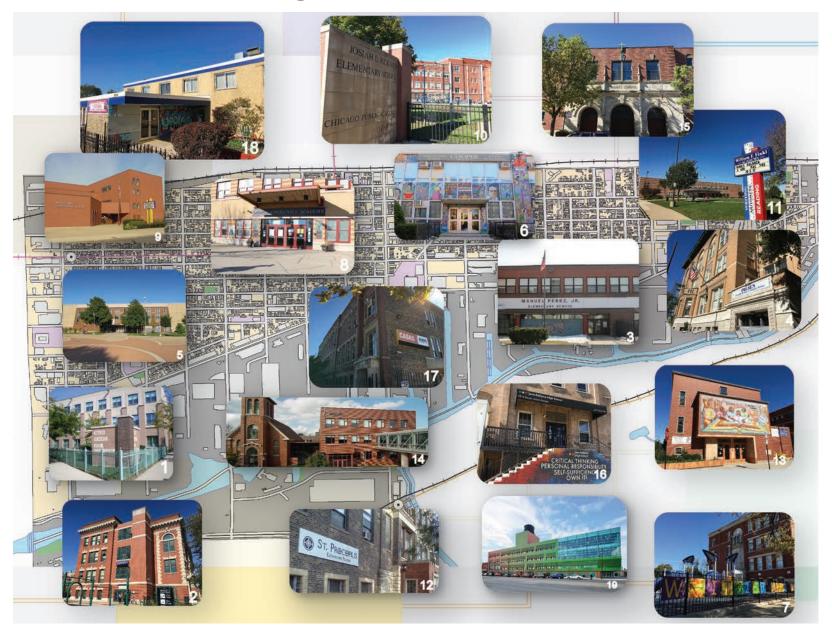
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Education and Youth - Strategies

STRATEGY 1

Increase enrollment at Pilsen schools

Prior to the quality-of-life planning process, the Pilsen Education Task Force (PETF) launched a school specialization initiative to expand the number of educational opportunities for Pilsen students, to reengage students attending schools outside of Pilsen to drive enrollment within Pilsen, and to attract new families to Pilsen schools. This initiative focuses on developing an innovative marketing strategy that highlights the new school specializations, the quality of education in Pilsen, and the collaborative partnerships and supportive programming available at local schools.

STRATEGY 2

Build an educational pipeline from cradle to career

This strategy harnesses the collaborative power of the PETF to build an educational pipeline from cradle to career with the goal of improving educational outcomes overall. A full analysis of the community's educational ecosystem will identify gaps and strengthen transition points in the pipeline. In addition, the development of communication systems, peer mentoring programs, and college readiness programs will help prepare and support students and parents for each step in the educational system.

STRATEGY 3

Develop parent education and leadership opportunities

The role of parents in their child's education is critical for children's success. This strategy focuses on providing support, education, and leadership opportunities for parents in the community and in schools. Multiple parent education and engagement centers will be developed, including the Child Parent Center, a Parent University, and three Parent Engagement Centers. Workshops and educational offerings will be determined through a needs assessment and coordinated to ensure that they meet community need and support parents.

STRATEGY 4

Expand after-school opportunities for youth and families

In the Quality-of-Life Survey that informs this plan, 49 percent of respondents indicated that they did not think there were adequate after-school programs available in Pilsen. This strategy focuses on strengthening partnerships, providing additional academic and nonacademic programs for youth and families, expanding training for youth organizing, and civic engagement opportunities and family activities.

	Strategy 1: Increase enrollment at Pilsen schools.	Lead Organization(s)	Partnering Organization(s)	Potential Partners
Action	1.1 Develop specialization initiative.		CPS Network 7, Pilsen Academy,	
	Year 1: 20% of schools are implementing specialization.	DNICO	Juarez, Jungman, Perez, Whittier, Walsh, Ruiz,	
Performance Measures	Year 3: 60% of schools are implementing specialization.	PNCC		
	Year 5: 90% of schools are implementing specialization.		Orozco, Cooper, Pickard	
Action	1.2 Develop a marketing campaign for Pilsen schools to increase enrollment.			
Performance	Year 1: Develop partnerships with university partners, Yollocalli, and/or ElevArte to work with interns or youth classes on the development of marketing materials. Marketing materials are developed including pamphlets, brochures, and social media sites. Fund raising for plan for marketing materials and campaign is developed and implemented.	PNCC, Blue1647	CPS Network 7, Pilsen Academy, Juarez, Jungman, Perez, Whittier, Walsh, Ruiz, Orozco, Cooper, Pickard	St. Pius, St. Procopius, St. Ann, ElevArte, Yollocalli, NMMA
Measures	Year 3: All Pilsen public school websites have consistent information about academic and after- school programs and partnerships with community-based organizations.			
	Year 5: Schools experience incremental growth of 20% minimally after implementation of specialization.			
Action	1.3 Develop continuous engagement strategy for Pilsen families with children not enrolled in Pilsen schools.		Blue1647	CPS, Pilsen Academy, Jungman, Perez, Whittier, Walsh, Ruiz, Orozco, Cooper, Pickard, St. Pius, St. Procopius, St. Ann
	Year 1: Analyze demographic data on families with children not attending Pilsen schools for trends. Develop engagement strategy.	DNOO		
Performance Measures	Year 3: 100% of families who live in Pilsen and send children to schools outside the neighborhood have received at least one contact through parent-to-parent recruitment strategies.	PNCC		
	Year 5: 20% of contacted families have enrolled students in Pilsen schools incrementally after implementation of specialization.			
Action	1.4 Collaborate with community-based organizations and institutions to market Pilsen schools to parents.			
Performance Measures	Year 3: School marketing materials are placed in 40 strategic locations at preschools and community based organizations throughout Pilsen. Partnership developed with PHTF to incorporate school marketing materials at community health fairs. Develop annual calendar of community events and collaborate with organizers to incorporate school marketing materials and	PNCC	GHC, PHTF, Blue1647	

	Strategy 2: Build an educational pipeline from cradle to career.	Lead Organization(s)	Partnering Organization(s)	Potential Partners
Action	2.1 Analyze educational ecosystem.			CCC, NLU, CPS Network 7, CPS Director of Strategic Projects
Performance Measures	Year 1: Inventory all schools, partnerships with community-based organizations and other educational entities, and programs at schools. Create a map that depicts the education ecosystem in Pilsen in digital format and availability. Identify and document all pipeline transition points. Determine strengths and gaps along the pipeline.	UIC	UIC, TRP, SGA, Blue1647	
Action	2.2 Develop community education center at Perez Elementary as physical anchor for educational pipeline.		Perez	Blue1647
	Year 1: Repurpose the Perez Annex as a community education center (CEC).			
Performance Measures	Year 3: All programming fully developed and implemented on all three floors including preschool and Child Parent Center, Parent University, Community College Extension and behavioral health services. Each of the above has its own action and associated performance measure detailed below or in the Health section of the plan. Utilize CEC model to expand opportunities across CPS Network 7 schools.			
Action	2.3 Develop structures for communication across transition points including articulation meetings with parents and teachers.			
Performance Measures	Year 3: Articulation meetings are occurring at transition points between primary to middle school and middle school to high school at 50% of Pilsen schools. New partnerships have been created with 50% of Pilsen preschools, day-care centers, and parent groups for the purposes of recruiting and communicating information about the transition into kindergarten.	Whittier, Walsh, Ruiz, Orozco, Cooper, Pickard		Cristo Rey, IHSCA, TRP, CCC, Juarez, UIC, Able, Blue1647
	Year 5: Articulation meetings are occurring at transition points between primary to middle school and middle school to high school at 80% of Pilsen schools. New partnerships have been created with 80% of Pilsen preschools, day-care centers, and parent groups for the purposes of recruiting and communicating information about the transition into kindergarten.			

Action 2.4 Strengthen peer mentoring programs of support for educational transition points (middle school to high school, high school to college or career). Year 1: Identify existing peer mentoring programs along the pipeline. Enhance or expand existing peer mentoring programs that include academic and socioemotional learning supports. Year 3: Achieve 10% increase in student participation in peer mentoring programs in Pilsen: 70% of peer mentoring participants report feeling more connected to the school and their peers, feelings of competency and self-efficacy, academic improvement, and a positive impact on prosocial behavior and attitudes. Year 5: Achieve 20% increase in student participation in peer mentoring programs in Pilsen: 75% of peer mentoring participants report feeling more connected to the school and their peers, feelings of competency and self-efficacy, academic improvement, and a positive impact on prosocial behavior and attitudes. Action 2.5 Strengthen college-readiness programs and partnerships with colleges and universities. Year 1: Increase number of students accepted into early outreach initiatives (like UIC's CHANCE) by developing prep programs. Expand number of programs that support college-bound students with college-readiness programs. Year 3: 10 Pilsen high school graduates attend LaHSEP program at UIC. Create 4 new partnerships with local college or university college-readiness programs for Pilsen students. Action 2.6 Develop postsecondary extension program at the Community Education Center. Performance Measures Year 1: Develop comprehensive plan for nonduplicative courses for credit, dual enrollment for college credit, and workforce development, English as Second Language, GED, etc. Performance Measures Year 1: Develop comprehensive plan for nonduplicative courses for credit, dual enrollment for college credit, and workforce development, English as Second Language, GED, etc. Performance		Strategy 2: Build an educational pipeline from cradle to career.	Lead Organization(s)	Partnering Organization(s)	Potential Partners
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				CCC, AVI	
		Year 3: Complete course schedule and enroll students.			

	Strategy 3: Develop parent education and leadership opportunities.	Lead Organization(s)	Partnering Organization(s)	Potential Partners
Action	3.1 Provide educational programming and opportunities for parents throughout the community.			FKCO, CSS,
Desfermen	Year 1: Conduct parent needs assessment. Determine educational programming needs and connect with appropriate providers—health, housing, substance abuse awareness, sexual education, etc. Develop comprehensive workshop schedule. Deliver 30 workshops.		PWC, GHC, AVI, El Valor, LULAC, SGA, Blue1647	Healthy Schools Campaign, YMCA,
Performance Measures	Year 3: Deliver 30 workshops (60 total by year 3) to minimum of 600 participants per year.			CCommons, CHIP, Mujeres,
	Year 5: Deliver 30 workshops per year (120 total by year 5) to minimum of 600 participants per year.			PHTF, TRP, ESDC
Action	3.2 Develop customized Parent University at the Community Education Center.			FKCO, CSS,
-	Year 1: Customized Pilsen Parent University fully operational with a computer lab, parent resource room, office area, and activity rooms. Develop plan for workshop schedule using needs assessment completed in previous action.	CPS Network 7,	PETF, GHC, AVI, El Valor, LULAC, Perez	Healthy Schools Campaign, YMCA, CCommons, CHIP, Mujeres, PHTF, TRP, ESDC, Blue1647
Performance Measures	Year 3: Deliver 30 workshops per year (60 total by year 3) to a minimum of 600 participants per year.			
	Year 5: Deliver 30 workshops per year (120 total by year 5) to a minimum of 600 participants per year.			
Action	3.3 Develop a preschool and Child Parent Center at the Community Education Center.			
	Year 1: The preschool and Child Parent Center is open and fully enrolled. Programming fully operational for parent workshops and supports at Cooper, Perez, and Walsh.		MFS, EI	Perez
Performance Measures	Year 3: 40% of participating preschool children will meet or exceed national standards for kindergarten readiness in six domains of development, including literacy, language, mathematics, cognitive development, socioemotional well-being, and physical health (based on evaluations of CPC being done by SRI International; http://iff.org/resources/content/5/0/0/documents/SIB-CPC_Fact_Sheet_and_Report_042016_final1.pdf)	CPS Network 7, PETF		
	Year 5: 70% of participating preschool children will meet or exceed national standards for kindergarten readiness in six domains of development, including literacy, language, mathematics, cognitive development, socio-emotional well-being and physical health (based on evaluations of CPC being done by SRI International; https://iff.org/resources/content/5/0/0/documents/SIB-CPC_Fact_Sheet_and_Report_042016_final1.pdf)			

	Strategy 3: Develop Parent Education and Leadership Opportunities	Lead Organization(s)	Partnering Organization(s)	Potential Partners
Action	3.4 Create three Parent Engagement Centers at Pilsen Schools.			
Performance	Year 1: Three Parent Engagement Centers are created one at each of the following schools including Pilsen Academy, Jungman, and Pickard. Determine and coordinate parent educational programming with parent needs and other educational programming at Parent University and workshops available throughout the community.	CPS Network 7, Pilsen Academy,		FKCO, CSS, YMCA, CCommons,
Measures	Year 3: Provide 10 workshops per year at each location (30 total) to a minimum of 200 participants at each location (600 total across all three schools).	Jungman, Pickard		CHIP, Mujeres, PHTF, TRP, ESDC
	Year 5: Provide 20 workshops per year at each location (60 total) to a minimum of 400 participants at each location (1,200 total across all three schools).			
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Action	3.5 Prepare parents for their child's educational transitions along the cradle to career pipeline.			
	Year 1: Develop specific parent education and leadership programs that aid in the preparing parents for transition points along the pipeline.			
Performance Measures	Year 3: 70% of participating parents report an increase in knowledge about their role in their child's educational career and their rights and responsibilities. 70% of participating parents report an increase in knowledge about specific actions they can take with their child to improve their academic success.	TRP	FKCO, CDDLN, GHC	
	Year 5: 80% of participating parents report an increase in knowledge about their role in their child's educational career and their rights and responsibilities. 80% of participating parents report an increase in knowledge about specific actions they can take with their child to improve their academic success.			
Action	3.6 Develop parent leaders.			000 0"
	Year 1: Create listening campaign with parents. Conduct one-on-one trainings with 100 parents.			CPS, Pilsen Academy, Jungman, Perez,
Performance Measures	Year 3: Conduct one-on-one trainings with 200 parents total over three years. 100 parents attend a get to know you events at the same school. 100 parents attend a get to know parents at other schools event.	PNCC, FKCO TRP, YMCA, PWC	Whittier, Walsh, Ruiz, Orozco, Cooper, Pickard,	
	Year 5: Conduct one-on-one trainings with 300 parents total over five years. 200 parents total over five years attend a get-to-know-you events at the same school. 200 parents total over five years attend a get to know parents at other schools event. 50 Parents participate in program that engages community more broadly (train the trainer, volunteer, activism).			St. Pius, St. Procopius, St. Ann, Blue1647

	Strategy 4: Expand after-school opportunities for youth and families.	Lead Organization(s)	Partnering Organization(s)	Potential Partners
Action	4.1 Provide academic and nonacademic programs for youth and families.		Blue1647, GHC, BGC, SGA, CMP, FKCO, YMCA	
	Year 1: Provide programs to a minimum of 2,000 youth and families.			
Performance Measures	Year 3: Provide programs to a minimum of 3,000 youth and families (total by year 3).			
	Year 5: Provide programs to a minimum of 4,000 youth and families (total by year 5).			
Action	4.2 Expand youth organizing training.			
	Year 1: Achieve a 10% increase in the number of youth participating in organizing training.		TDD DNCC	
Performance Measures	Year 3: Achieve a 10% increase in the number of youth participating in organizing training.		TRP, PNCC	
	Year 5: Achieve a 10% increase in the number of youth participating in organizing training.			
Action	4.3 Provide civic engagement opportunities for youth.			
	Year 1: Provide a miniumum of 2 civic engagement opportunites for youth in the community.		Blue1647, GHC, BGC, TRP	CCommons, KK
Performance Measures	Year 3: Provide a miniumum of 4 civic engagement opportunites for youth in the community.			
	Year 5: Provide a miniumum of 6 civic engagement opportunites for youth in the community.			
Action	4.4 Provide student/parent exposure activities			
	Year 1: Identify potential student and parent exposure activities in Pilsen and in Chicago. Partner to provide 2 opportunities.		DOG	2
Performance Measures	Year 3: 1. Provide 4 exposure activities (2 per year).	BGC		GHC
	Year 5: 1. Provide 4 exposure activities (2 per year).			



Arts and Culture

Pilsen's vibrant Mexican cultural identity is apparent throughout the neighborhood. The many stories of the community, its artists, and its history are painted on countless murals throughout the neighborhood on the walls of institutions, businesses, schools, churches, CTA stations, viaducts, and homes.

Pilsen is rich in artistic and cultural assets. Numerous musicians, dancers, chefs, artists, cultural centers, annual parades, food and arts festivals, the National Museum of Mexican Art, and other institutions and nonprofits that work to enrich, perform, educate, and celebrate the neighborhood's many cultural traditions and artistic forms all call Pilsen home.

The arts have many benefits for youth and for the local economy. Research compiled by the Americans for the Arts documents that students involved in the arts have higher GPAs and standardized test scores and lower dropout rates. Research also demonstrates that the arts strengthen the local economy by driving tourism and attendance at cultural events and patronage of local businesses. However, despite these benefits to the overall community, many individual artists struggle economically with fair wages and support for their work, and arts programming is often the first to be cut at schools during budget negotiations and cuts.

The strategies that follow focus on developing sustainable and community controlled funding mechanisms for the arts and for artists; promoting and preserving the existing cultural traditions in the community; expanding youth arts programming and opportunities in partnership with local artists, musicians, photographers, and local schools; and preserving, creating, and expanding public art in Pilsen.





Arts and Culture – Existing Conditions

Arts and Culture as an Asset

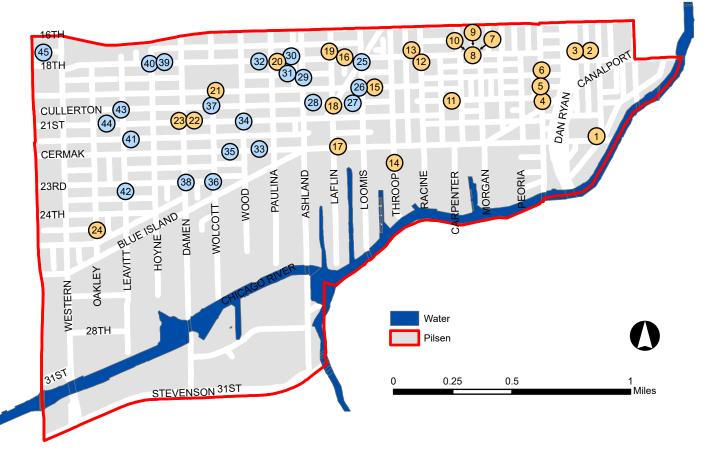
What do you value about Pilsen and what are the neighborhood's greatest assets (what's working well)?

	Frequency	Percent
Culture	51	29.7
Community	26	15.1
Food/restaurants	25	14.5
Art	19	11.0
		n = 172

Data Source: Great Cities Institute Quality-of-Life Survey

Arts and Culture Key Research Facts

Arts and Culture – Existing Conditions



- Pilsen Art Institutions
- 1. Chicago Public Art Group
- 2. NYCH Gallery
- 3. Rootwork Gallery
- 4. Chicago Arts District
- 5. Chicago Art Department
- 6. Simantikos Dance
- 7. Cultura in Pilsen
- 8. La Catrina Café
- o. La Catriria Car
- 9. Gabriel Project
- 10. Gozamos
- 11. ElevArte Community Studio
- 12. Honky Tonk

- 13. Prospectus Art Gallery
- 14. Mana Contemporary Chicago
- 15. ACRE Projects
- 16. Mestizarte
- 17. Chicago Mariachi Project
- 18. Citlalin Gallery and Theater
- 19. Antena
- 20. Café Monsiváis/Reciclarte
- 21. National Museum of Mexican Art
- 22. Cobalt Studio
- 23. Pilsen Outpost
- 24. Hoofprint Workshop

Pilsen Open Studios

- 25. Rudy Lozano Library
- 26. Juan Carlos Torres Studio
- 27. Paige Landesberg Studio
- 28. Carlos & Dominguez Fine Arts Gallary
- 29. Skeemer Chorne; -
 - Rockstar Barber Shop & Ink
- 30. Colby Gallery
- 31. Cynthis Marris Studio
- 32. Art-O-Parts
- 33. JPWeber Studio
- 34. Mahtinauhkalli
- 35. Victims of Art Tattoo Gallery

- 36. Jesus Acuna
- 37. Hector Duarte Studio
- 38. Olin Studio Chicago
- 39. Colibri Studio and Gallary
- 40. Surreal Rabbit
- 41. 21 PL Place
- 42. Revolutionary Lemonade Stand
- 43. Gerry Lang Studio
- 44. Gringolandia Studio
- 45. Pilsen Art and Design Center

Arts and Culture - Strategies

STRATEGY 1

Develop sustainable funding mechanisms for the arts and artists

This strategy focuses on creating community-controlled funding mechanisms for artists and the arts. This is achieved by establishing a community arts fund with a legal framework to fund raise and solicit proposals from local artists to commission art in the community; by developing an artist cooperative business with local artists, architects, and interior designers; and providing professional development training for artists.

STRATEGY 2

Promote and preserve cultural traditions

Culture reflects and shapes people's values, beliefs, and aspirations, thereby defining the identity of the community. This strategy focuses on promoting and preserving cultural traditions including music and dance as the cultural heritage of the community and expanding an artist exchange program with Mexican artists to share knowledge.

STRATEGY 3

Expand youth arts programs and opportunities

According to the report Champions of Change: The Impact of the Arts on Learning, researchers found that students who participate in the arts outperform their peers on nearly every measure, and the greatest benefits are seen in students from disadvantaged backgrounds. Given the important role that the arts play in leveling the playing field for youth and in helping them achieve excellence, this strategy focuses on expanding youth arts programming and opportunities in the community, including cooking classes of traditional dishes, photography projects to learn and document culture in Pilsen, expansion of mariachi programs in public schools, expansion of school arts programs, and gallery-sponsored showcases of student art work.

STRATEGY 4

Preserve, expand, and create public art

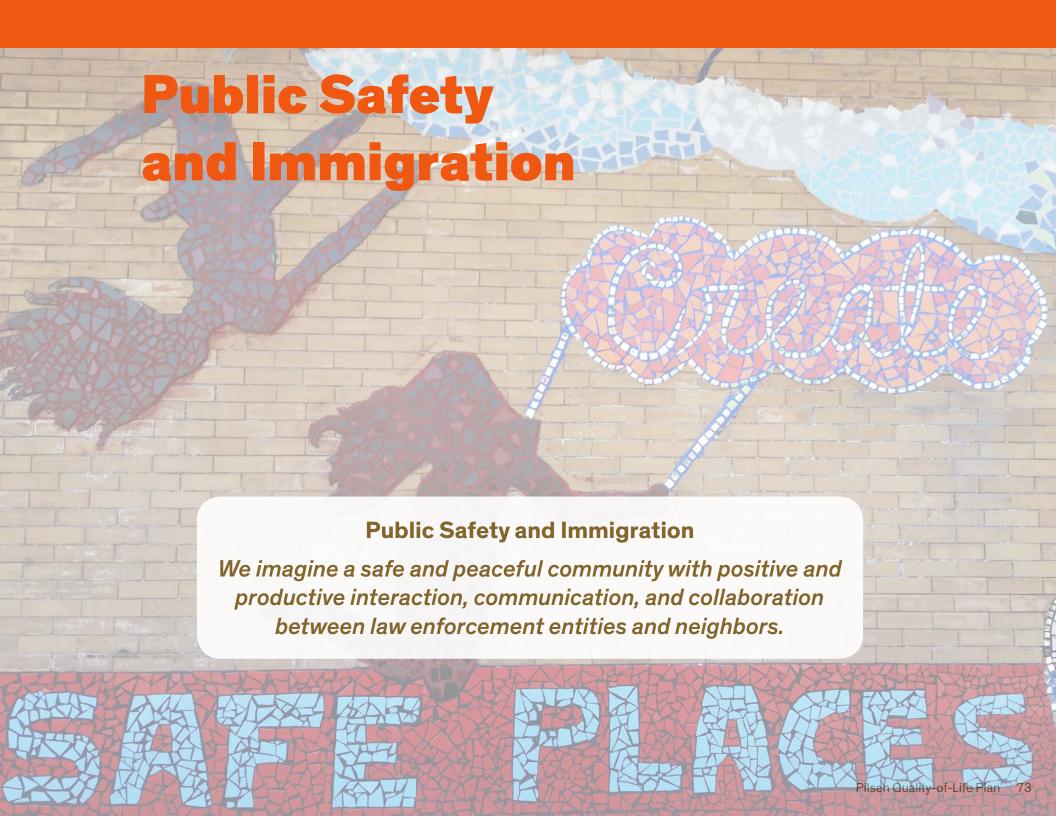
Pilsen has a long history of public art and murals that have been created throughout the community. This strategy focuses on creating new forms of public art, expanding places where public art can be created, and preserving the public art that currently exists in the community.

	Strategy 1: Develop sustainable funding mechanisms for the arts and artists	Lead Organization(s)	Partnering Organization(s)	Potential Partners
Action	1.1 Create a community arts fund.			
	Year 1: Determine legal framework and structure.	PACC		ILAC, DCASE,
Performance Measures	Year 3: Fundraising and commissions completed.	PACC		ССТ
	Year 5: Ongoing fund raising and multiple calls for proposals completed.			
Action	1.2 Create an artist cooperative business.			
	Year 1: Legal framework and structure determined. List of potential co-op members identified including artists and interior designers.	PACC		DE DOC
Performance Measures	Year 3: Co-op fully functioning including social media and branding.	PACC		PF, POS
	Year 5: Minimum of 30 co-op members and 10 business clients.			
Action	1.3 Provide professional development training for artists.			
Performance Measures	Year 1: Professional development needs assessment completed. 5 workshops delivered on professional development topics. List of resources created for artists.	ESDC	PACC	Forefront, Ingenuity, ILAC,
	Year 3: Regular series of 10 workshops delivered on annual basis, with 50 artists trained annually.			CMP, TRP
	Year 5: Regular series of 10 workshops delivered on annual basis, with 50 artists trained annually.			

	Strategy 2: Promote and preserve cultural traditions.	Lead Organization(s)	Partnering Organization(s)	Potential Partners
Action	2.1 Promote and/or document music and dance as a cultural heritage of our community.			CHS, FKCO, NMMA, AMDM, Víctor Soria
	Year 1: Host 5 traditional music and dance events.			
Performance Measures	Year 3: Host 10 (total by year 3) traditional music and dance events. Pilsen soundtrack 3.1 produced.	CMP, Pachamka		
	Year 5: Host 20 (total by year 5) traditional music and dance events.			
Action	2.2 Expand artist exchange program with Mexican artists.			
Performance Measures	Year 3: Invite 10 Mexican artists to participate in artist exchange program in Pilsen.	Encuentro de Jaraneros	Diana H.	PETF, Pllarte
	Year 5: Invite 15 Mexican artists participate in artist exchange program in Pilsen.			

Year cultu Performance Year	I Provide cooking classes of traditional dishes. ar 1: Involve 15 youth in cooking classes to learn how to create a minimum of one traditional ltural recipe.			
Performance Year	ltural recipe.			
			PACC	
Measures cultu	ar 3: Involve 30 youth total in cooking classes to learn how to create a minimum of one traditional Itural recipe.	CNP&F		PETF, Pllarte
	ar 5: Involve 60 youth total in cooking classes to learn how to create a minimum of one traditional ltural recipe. Youth participants create book of traditional Pilsen recipes.			
Action 3.2 0	2 Create photography project and program with youth to document culture and art in Pllsen.			
	ar 1: Involve 15 youth in photography project. Present and review youth-documented art and Iture in Pilsen.	DN	PACC, Mark Nelson	PETF, Pllarte
	ar 3: Involve 30 youth total in photography project. Present and review youth-documented art and lture in Pilsen (total in 3 years).	PN		
	ar 5: Involve 60 youth total in photography project. Present and review youth-documented art and lture in Pilsen (total in 5 years).			
Action 3.3 E	B Expand mariachi programs in public schools in Pilsen.			
Performance Measure	ar 3: Mariachi program expands to 50% of Pilsen public schools.	CMP, Pilarte		
Action 3.4 E	Expand existing school arts programs (e.g., visual arts, music dance, theater).			
Performance scho	ar 1: Develop a joint subcommittee of Pilarte, PACC, and PETF to develop a plan for expanding hool arts programs.	Pilarte	PACC	PETF
Measures Year	ar 3: 1. Plan developed with measurable benchmarks. Implementation begins.			
Action 3.5 F	Program gallery-sponsored showcases of student artwork.			
Year	ar 1: Develop annual student showcase.	Dilente	DACC	DETE DOC OUR
Performance Year Measures	ar 3: Host a total of three gallery sponsored showcases of student artwork (1 per year).	Pilarte	PACC	PETF, POS, CUP
	ar 5: Host a total of five gallery sponsored showcases of student artwork (1 per year).			

	Strategy 4: Create, expand and preserve public art	Lead Organization(s)	Partnering Organization(s)	Potential Partners
Action	4.1 Expand places for public art and beautification (e.g., El Paseo Trail, empty lots, infrastructure).			TRP, Alderman's Office
Performance	Year 1: Create inventory of potential places for public art. Complete 30% of inventory. Partner with Alderman's office to advocate for public art inclusion on infrastructure projects.	PACC	Openlands	
Measures	Year 3: Complete 100% of inventory. Install 3 new public art pieces (temporary or permanent).			
Action	4.2 Create the Día de los Muertos CTA train car.			
Performance Measures	Year 3: Train car fully executed.	AARP	PACC	
Action	4.3 Create cultural corridors—painting, sculpture, expansion of UIC Pollinators project (environmental justice).			
Performance	Year 3: Identify potential locations for cultural corridors.		UIC LCC, PACC	
Measures	Year 5: Develop one new cultural corridor in Pilsen.			
Action	4.4 Create and preserve murals.			
Performance	Year 3: Create 2 new murals. Identify murals in need of preservation work.	ElevArte	PACC	NMMA
Measures	Year 5: Create 5 new murals (total over 5 years).			

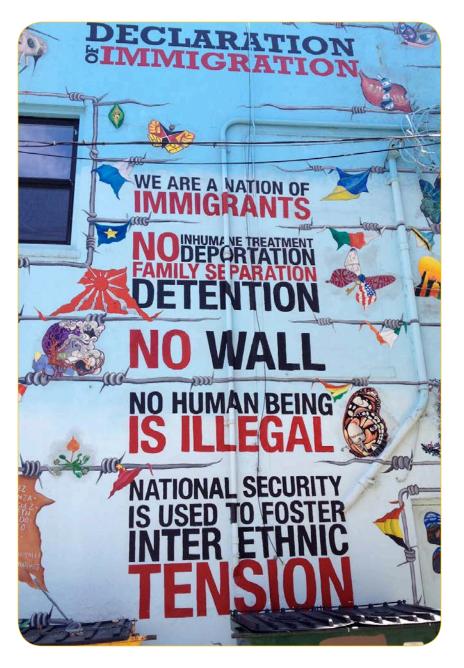


Public Safety and Immigration

Crime rates in Pilsen have dropped significantly from 2007 to 2015. In fact, in 2016, crime rates in Pilsen were below the City of Chicago average. The combined and concerted efforts of the numerous community-based organizations, faith-based institutions, social service providers, schools, police department, government institutions, activists, elected officials, and residents all contributed to this increased level of community safety and well-being.

Despite the drop in crime rates, some residents' perception of the community is that it is still unsafe. In the Pilsen Quality-of-Life Survey done for this plan, 52.2 percent of respondents who live in Pilsen indicated that they feel either "a little safe" or "not at all safe" when walking alone after dark. Similarly, 53 percent of respondents indicated that the level of crime in Pilsen was "high" or "very high." In addition, recent changes in national public discourse and policy around immigration have led to heightened and very real concerns for people's safety in a community that historically has been a port of entry for immigrants arriving in Chicago.

The recommendations that follow build on the strong networks of collaboration that are interwoven throughout this plan, existing assets in the community, and the breadth of services and resources that Pilsen has to offer. Rebranding the existing Family Task Force to focus directly on providing public safety, creating and building safe spaces to promote peace and nonviolence for all members of the community, delivering education on immigration and public safety issues to increase awareness, and offering individual legal and care services so individuals and families have the support and resources they need to thrive will maintain and strengthen public safety in the community.

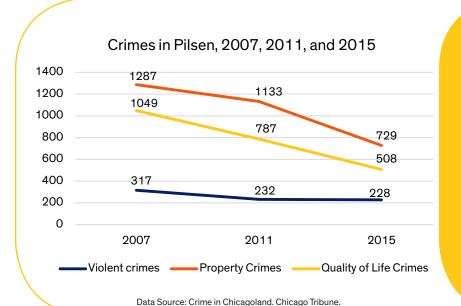


Public Safety and Immigration – Existing Conditions

Pilsen Crime

Crime Rates per 1,000 residents in Pilsen and Chicago in 2016					
Violent Property Quality-of-Life Crime Rate Crime Rate Crime Rate					
Lower West Side/ Pilsen	14.0				
Chicago 30.1 32.2 16					
Lower West Side/ Pilsen rank among 77 Community Areas 36th of 77 44th of 77 34th of 7					

Data Source: Crimes - 2016. Chicago Police Department. Accessed via City of Chicago Data Portal. Calculations by Great Cities Institute.



Pilsen Crime

Public Safety and Immigration – Existing Conditions

Perceptions of Safety

 In the Pilsen Quality-of-Life Community Survey, 19.7% of respondents living in Pilsen said the level of crime in Pilsen was very high, 33.3% said high, 34.2% said moderate, 12% said low, and .9% said very low.

How would you rate the level of crime in your neighborhood? (respondents living in Pilsen)					
Level	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses			
Very high	23	19.7%			
High	39	33.3%			
Moderate	40	34.2%			
Low	14	12.0%			
Very low	1	0.9%			
Total	117	100.0%			

Data Source: Great Cities Institute Quality-of-Life Survey

How safe do you feel walking alone after dark in your neighborhood? (respondents living in Pilsen)

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Level	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses
Very safe	3	2.6%
Safe	14	12.0%
Somewhat safe	39	33.3%
A little safe	36	30.8%
Not at all safe	25	21.4%
Total	117	100.0%

Data Source: Great Cities Institute Quality-of-Life Survey

Perceptions of Safety

 In the Pilsen Quality-of-Life Survey, 2.6% of respondents living in Pilsen stated they felt very safe walking alone after dark, 12% felt safe, 33.3% felt somewhat safe, 30.8% felt a little safe, and 21.4% felt not at all safe.

Public Safety and Immigration – Recommendations

RECOMMENDATION 1:

Rebrand the Pilsen Family Task Force as the Public Safety Task Force

For over 10 years, the Pilsen Family Task Force (PFTF) has provided a variety of quality services, programs, and community coordination to young people and families in Pilsen. Through analyzing the PFTF and other Pilsen task forces, this plan recommends that the PFTF rebrand itself as a new Pilsen Public Safety Task Force.

The work done by the PFTF has evolved over time to center predominantly on promoting public safety through after-school and summer programming, and providing services such as drug counseling, gang intervention, and education and job-training enrollment. Rebranding the task force brings an increased focus to the work previously undertaken by the PFTF and highlights the importance of promoting safety in the community.

RECOMMENDATION 2:

Create and build on safe spaces that promote peace and nonviolence

Since 1999, the Resurrection Basketball League (RBL) continues to provide safe spaces and activities for youth. Taking place on blocks that are known to have gang activity or have had recent instances of violence, RBL promotes active use of these areas with sports and other youth-centered activities and gives neighbors a feeling that the block belongs in the hands of the community while also connecting neighbors. Additionally, these events are a great opportunity for community-based organizations and service providers to engage with youth and families.

As part of TRP's Increase the Peace initiative, additional events such as peace marches on blocks that have recently been the location of violence have engaged young people, united neighbors and spread a collective message to

stop violence. Expanding RBL, Increase the Peace, and other similar types of successful events, and bringing additional partners and task forces on board the projects and out to events in order to engage with youth and their families, will increase the accomplishments of these already successful programs and events.





Public Safety and Immigration – Recommendations

RECOMMENDATION 3:

Provide community education on immigration and public safety issues

Recent community concerns around immigration have created a need for community education on individuals' rights, updates about policy and immigration enforcement, and connections to specific services that can help individuals and families in need. Close monitoring of the national and local immigration policy landscape is needed to determine the level of services required in the community.

The PFTF identified a need for additional community education around sexual assault, domestic violence, gang awareness, and nonviolence trainings that build on the work already being done in the community through expanded outreach and program capacity. Although service providers have been able to increase awareness and knowledge around these issues, ongoing and continued education is necessary so that all individuals and families who need support are able to access these essential resources. Close collaboration and partnership with the Pilsen Health Task Force and the Pilsen Education Task Force will expand outreach potential and access to behavioral health services in the community.

RECOMMENDATION 4:

Provide individual legal and care services

In addition to education about public safety issues, direct services are needed to assist the individuals and families with immigration legal-service needs, survivors of sexual assault and domestic violence, gang-involved individuals, and individuals with substance use disorders. A variety of organizations provide such services, but the community need as identified by the PFTF exceeds the current service levels and many community members are not aware of all the services that do exist.

Providing targeted outreach to vulnerable and hard-to-reach individuals will increase the effectiveness and reach of valuable community services. Information sharing through the collaborative efforts of the new Public Safety Task Force can increase the ability to identify and reach the most vulnerable populations in need of services. Similar to the recommendation above, close collaboration with other task forces will expand outreach potential and access to additional services in the community.





Community Coordination

Pilsen is a community with more than 79 community organizations that provide valuable resources in the areas of arts, education, schools, faith, children and youth services, housing, immigrant services, health, community development, public safety, sports, and more. With so many programs offered in the community, it is a challenge for residents to navigate all the organizations and the numerous programs they provide.

During the quality-of-life planning process, residents and community-based organization representatives and each quality-of-life planning working group (Housing, Jobs and the Economy, Health, Education and Youth, Arts and Culture, and Public Safety and Immigration) expressed the need for more coordinated resources. Often parents would mention that they did not have a place to send their child after school only to learn that there was an after-school program with open slots looking for children. The coordination of community resources will allow for higher utilization of available programs and services in the community that provide the supports many individuals and families need to maintain a high quality of life.

At the time of the plan's creation, the Chicago Voz (formerly Pilsen Portal) website provided valuable information about Pilsen, including news stories, highlights of community businesses and individuals, photos and videos of the community, an events page, documentation of murals, a catalog of services in the community, and listing of community stores. Building on the valuable information that Chicago Voz provided to create a comprehensive community resource guide will enhance the ability of community residents to access businesses and services and will also assist service providers and businesses in accessing their customers.





Community Coordination – Existing Conditions

Former Community Resource Guides

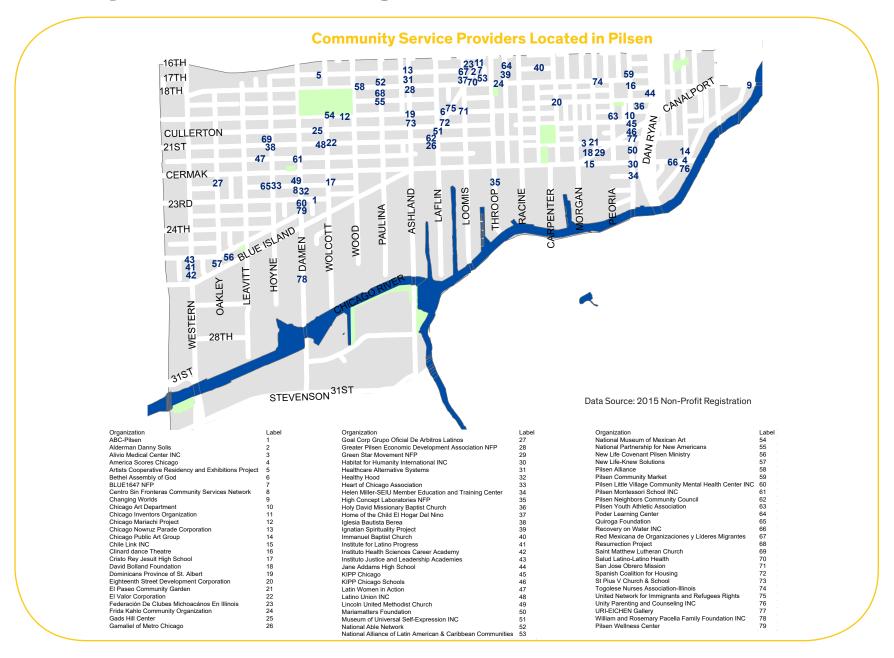






Coordination of Services

Community Coordination – Existing Conditions



Community Coordination – Strategy

STRATEGY 1

Develop a comprehensive community resource guide

The creation of a comprehensive community resource guide will require the establishment of a new committee to guide the process with representation across community planning areas. Utilizing the valuable resources and content already available and other community resource guides and directories, and identifying all the existing and available community resources, will be a large task requiring the cooperation of numerous community-based organizations over a long period of time to maintain and update information.

The resource guide may take many forms, including an online format, a paper format that can be distributed by service providers, and the use of innovative technology such as phone apps. The various forms, each with different audiences, will allow for the most widespread distribution of community resource information. Advertising the various forms of the guide with a marketing campaign around it will encourage its use by residents, and will also encourage businesses and service providers to include their most current information in the guide.



Community Coordination – Implementation Actions

	Strategy 1: Develop a comprehensive community resource guide.	Lead Organization(s)	Partnering Organization(s)
Action	1.1 Establish ad hoc committee to oversee community resource guide.		
Performance	Year 1: Establish committee.	PPC	
Measures	Year 5: Transfer leadership to new partners.		
Action	1.2 Research existing community resource guides.		
Performance	Year 1: Locate model for community resource guide.	TRP, Ad hoc committee	
Measures	Year 3: Include and present all facets of website (e.g., employment, volunteering, resources, virtual welcome center aspects of website).	Ad not committee	
Action	1.3 Identify and document existing community resources.		
	Year 1: 75 percent of community resources are accessible through community resource website.	TRP	UIC
Performance Measures	Year 3: 90 percent of community resources are accessible through community resource website.	IRP	
	Year 5: 100 percent of community resources are accessible through community resource website.		
Action	1.4 Determine best tech tools for resource guide.		
Performance	Year 3: Identify best and most feasible tech tool.	TRP, Ad hoc committee	UIC
Measures	Year 5: Community resource website is accessible via new tech tool.		

Community Coordination – Implementation Actions

	Strategy 1: Develop a comprehensive community resource guide.	Lead Organization(s)	Partnering Organization(s)
Action	1.5 Make community resource guide accessible.		
	Year 1: Resource guide is accessible through 50% of PPC-affiliated organization websites.	DDO	
Performance Measures	Year 3: Resource guide is accessible through 75% of PPC-affiliated organization websites.	PPC	
	Year 5: Resource guide is accessible through 100% of PPC-affiliated organization websites.		
Action	1.6 Market the community resource guide.	PPC,	
Performance Measures	Year 1: Develop branding and ongoing marketing strategy for community resource guide.	Ad hoc committee	
Action	1.7 Develop an ongoing plan for resource guide sustainability		
	Year 1: Update and expand data available on community resource website on an annual basis. Create 5-year sustainability plan for community resources website.	A d la a a a a a a a a a a a a a a a a a	
Performance Measures	Year 3: Update and expand data available on community resource website on an annual basis.	Ad hoc committee	
	Year 5: Update and expand data available on community resource website on an annual basis. Create 5-year sustainability plan for community resources website.		

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Community Resources

Regular resource fairs

Community centers for all ages

Directory of services in Pilsen

Athletic facility

LGBTQIA center

Community center

More information for community residents

Save the St. Adalbert church towers

Parks, schools, and community/social service organiza-

tions have adequate funding so that they are stabilized

Metered parking (many people take two spaces)

A learning center for the community

LGBT center/program

Destigmatization to seeking social services

Social Services coordination

A new library with a second floor

More coordination of social services

That community organizations be more responsible to

what is relevant to the community

Community accessible centers

Accessible community center - job skill and artisanal

Gvms

Community center

Community center

Economic Development

Vocational training - building trades for youth in carpen-

try, plumbing, electricity, and health sciences

Benefit Agreement for the community. Be part of the development of our community

No to large businesses

For there to be more Job resources

Legal advice for small business owners

No displacement of small businesses for luxury ones

One strong chamber of commerce

Industrial corridor employs mostly Pilsen residents

Employ people of the community - build with people

from our community

No to a power plant

Raise the minimum wage

Better salaries

Diversity in employment

There should be no discrimination.

No discrimination

Bring jobs to the community

Jobs - Diverse

Trade school to reduce recidivism

Reuse power plant

Dissolve TIFs and reinvest money into community

Legal help/advice small business owners

Local business - development of local business

Local businesses employing youth and seniors from the

community

New local economic plan

Better paying jobs

No large business in the community

That there more sources of work

Arts/Culture Entertainment

More mariachi programs in our schools - Programs like

the Chicago Mariachi project

Expand historic preservation

Historic Districts

Pilsen is the cultural center for the Mexican community

Arts programming

Systemic support for Pilsen's creative citizens - their art

is our story

Cultural zocalo on Blue Island/18th landmark

Pilsen youth mariachis are national champions

Continuation of cultural art programs

Art and Culture as point of public gathering (not enter-

tainment).

Culture the way Dia De los Muertos was at the museum

in 2015.

Cultural center that involves the community with activi-

ties, such as art, dance

Culturally competent artistically focused restaurant

district

Art murals

Preserving art within our community

Pilsen Artist should collaborate to create an artistic

Center

Art in restaurants

Mural Art

More art and music offered

Public Safety

Better community policing

Community/Police interaction

Police building trust with those in the community (work-

shops, etc.)

Safe communities

Police cameras in problem blocks

Pilsen is one of the safest neighborhoods in Chicago

Police presence especially around school

Police present at schools and parks

Better, faster police response

No gang violence in the community - safe neighbor-

hood

Safetv

Community involvement in public safety

Peace

More safety and vigilance

I believe most of the CPD is honest but it seems their

hands are tied. Profiling can be a double - edged sword

More community policing

Better interaction with the police

Violance reduccion

Stop violance and more security

Security Cameras

Police outside of our schools and parks

I believe that the majority of the police officers are hon-

est, but their hands are tight. Racial Profiling is a double

adge sword

Police presence

More police

Beautification

Green planters on street corners where cars don't park

More trees Bridge community involvement to citizens - change with

beautification of community

Sidewalk benches

Beautification cont.

I see much concrete being poured, dead sidewalks, how about more trees

More greenery/Plants on the corners of the streets Green areas in Pilsen

I see more concrete than trees

More plants on the corners and streets

Parks/Recreation

Repurpose coal factory properties into park community center

Parks

Additional links or connectivity to the proposed "Paseo Trail"

Better maintenance for existing community buildings and spaces (Dvorak, Casa Aztlan)

More green space (community garden)

Parks Improvements

Parks - Quality of facilities and quality programs

Designated dog park

Park district coordination and services

Repair and maintain existing parks

More of a connection with "El Paseo"

Harrison Park - renovated parks

Water taxi - river walk

More green spaces

Open the water front to river in Pilsen

Clear the empty lots for a small park with a fountain A second community garden for planting vegetables

and fruit trees

Update our park and new parks

cleaning after dogs

Emphasis on community gardens/green space

Bicycle lanes

parks and school funding

Prepare and maintain community parks

More greenspace

Community Building

Family friendly community

Elected officials are responsive to community

Politically active/voting community

Politicians responsive to needs of Pilsen

Community involved in Policy - % money for art, % affordable housing

Community Power decision making

Hold organizations to be accountable to what is relevant to the community

Intentional collaboration between arts and non-arts organizations and institutions to utilize the arts to address systemic barriers/issues

Keep public officials and leaders accountable

Healthy communities of faith

New community council

high voter turnout in primaries/general elections

Healthy church communities

Keep Pilsen Mexican - Why is Pilsen gerrymandered Diverse community ethnically, racially, income, socially See results from this meeting - follow up on goals

Residents reclaiming Pilsen

That community organizations be more responsible to

what is relevant to the community

Why is this plan different from the plan in 2016? The Quality of life plan has been a failure. Pilsen is becoming too expensive, the school have not improved. Today the same organizations are making a new plan. Why are there only 4 organizations?

Make homeowners aware about the importance of conserving our culture

Health

Quality health facilities - Diverse income access

Community mental health clinic

Breastfeeding friendly community

Public mental health clinic or at least community funded More locations where we are taught to lead healthy

More resources for diabetes and obesity classes for children

More resources to fight infant obesity and places where they teach children what they should eat to be healthy

Education

Schools that receive equal funding and opportunities for all of out students

All schools are at capacity

True community schools (no charters) with resources, diverse staff, implementation of culturally relevant classes

Teachers are not parents

Develop schools with high quality dual language pro-

Quality schools - academically, physical plants

More arts and culture offered in the schools

All Pilsen residents enroll their children in Pilsen.

schools! Get involved in your neighborhood schools Schools with equitable resources and appropriate

infrastructure

Sustainable community programs for pre-k - 12 students around the arts, health and nutrition, athletics,

and iob training

Non-violence education That all of the school have full time music and arts staff Graduation (High school and college) rates are at all

time high

Language programs at all schools so our students are bilingual/trilingual

Juarez is a top 10 school in Illinois

Elected officials advocate for resources and programs

for Pilsen schools

Early childhood education

Quality, affordable child care

Every school has full-time music and arts teachers on

More art and music offered at schools preservation and activation of Mexican culture through the arts (murals,

cultural celebrations, etc.)

Sustainable community schools

More funding for public schools

Better our schools in many aspacts

parks and school funding

funding for after school programs

Education cont.

True community schools, resources, diversity, the implementation of an inclusive curriculum

More after-school programs

That our children have the right to an education without reservations

That the schools, especially Cooper, are able to have, or have again, their art, computer, and library classes More afterschool programs about photography, developing, grafiti that are free or low cost. Afterschool programs for youth - sports Civic education

Housing

Affordable housing

Stop predatory landlords or real-estate

More affordable housing that is based on the Pilsen median income

Subsidized local home ownership

Renovate unused buildings for business/housing

Affordable housing

Rent control

Education on housing co-ops

Stop rent and property taxes from continuing to increase

Pilsen is diverse and affordable

Community benefits agreement to be implanted with every developer interested in Pilsen and/or Little Village More housing that accommodates multi-member

Stick to the mixed income housing percentage or raise the percentage for low-income residents in apartment buildinas

Affordable housing

Housing that is accessible

Affordable housing - homes not apartments for families

New tax on zoning changes

Keep the property taxes at level that is reasonable Rent caps

Solution to slow gentrification so that displacement is stopped/minimized

Lower taxes - stop increasing taxes for housing. Do not over assess property taxes or freeze

Property tax freeze

Hold alderman accountable, what ordinances need to be developed, rent control, balancing development and

Help me finance fixing my roof

Affordable housing renting vs. home ownership - barri-

Can CHA invest in more affordable housing for Pilsen? There is a shortage of affordable housing in our com-

Regarding Pilsen paseo, are there going to be provisions to freeze taxes around their path so homeowners don't lose their homes?

Community research on gentrification, rent levels, affordability and building quality

Educate the community on how to lower their taxes Lower property taxes for low income people

Someone help me lower my taxes

Help with fixing my roof

stop gentrification

Stop property taxes now

Affordable housing

An affordable cost of living for the residents Reduce taxes

If taxes go much higher then that is the last nail in the coffin for me; someone help me

Commit 75% of apartments to be affordable

More assistance with affordable housing based on the median income of the residents of Pilsen

That the properties of Pilsen not be overvalued because afterwards many people lose out for not having the proper value

Stop the increase in taxes and housing prices that have already increased

Offer opportunities to get houses with low or reasonable prices to prevent families from moving out, with them their children and with them the money for our schools

The apartments offered by the Resurrection Project are still very expensive

Affordable housing and more homeownership

Youth Programs

Creative youth development in-school and out of school More after school programs

More investment on youth programs

Youth paid internships to address gang violence

Engagement of community youth in beautification projects, including green space

Youth employment/paid internships geared towards addressing gang violence. Also, geared towards youth involved in gangs, felons and those released from juvenile detention

I must believe most young people are good, rowdy but good

Summer jobs for youth

vouth and parent programming

Enhance after school activities for our Pilsen CPS

Funding (consistent, increasing) for youth programs

Funding for after-school programs, especially in the arts, to help youth gain skills and confidence and have alternatives to gangs and criminal activity

At risk youth rehabilitation center

Activities for our youth

Vocational training for our youth

Sustainable community programs for youth job training More art programs for the youth

I believe that the majority of the youth are good Job training for youth

Community programs that support academic, creative and cultural development of our youth

Government Services/Maintenance/Transportation

Defined parking spaces

Dog waste pickup

Increased garbage pickup

Recycle services and better city services

Too many pay car meters

Return CTA 24 hours on 18th street

Put benches at all bus stops

Get rid of no parking signs - there's way too many.

Snow removal and street cleaning

Keeping Pilsen clean

No meters on streets

Rat abatement

Less residential parking

More bike lanes

More street cleaning

Pick up dog poop

Clean alleys, parks, school, sidewalks, etc.

City garbage pick-up

Green renewable energy

Maintain Pilsen clean

cleaning of snow and streets

rats

Check to make sure handicapped parking is needed

Less lighting pollution - LED lights

Clean neighborhoods and repaired streets, alleys, and

sidewalks

Clean streets

Cleaning the street in the winter

Alderman services need to service the public

Clean alleys, parks,

Better trash collection

Clean up after dogs

Less garbage and contamination

More shelters at bus stops

More bike lanes

Attention of the politicians

Have public officials and leaders responsible for their

actions

1732 S Halsted St	Vacant Lot		
1730 S Halsted St	Express Grill	Cafés & Take Out	
824 W 18th St	Vacant Lot		
810 W 18th St	Empty Lot		
814 W 18th St	Yvolina's Tamales	Cafés & Take Out	
816 W 18th St	Residence	0.000	
818 W 18th St	Baker Barbershop	Health & Personal	
826 W 18th St.	Residence		
830 W 18th St	Residence		
18th & Peoria	Empty Lot		
846 W 16th St	Empty Lot		
850 W 18th St	Empty Lot		
900 W 18th St	Empty Lot		
902-42 W 18th St	Juarez Driving School	Automotive	
944 W 18th St	Residence		
946 W 18th St	Residence		
948 W 18th St	Tino Tailor Shop	Personal Services	
950 W 18th St	Super Heat	Home Goods & Hardware	
952 W 18th St	Residence		
950 W 18th St	Simone's	Cafés & Take Out	
952 W 18th St	Residence		
966 W 18th St	Empty Lot		
972 W 18th St	Smoking Buddha Shop	Personal Services	
974 W 18th St	Residence		
974 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront		
1002 W 18th St	Bontique Salon	Apparel & Accessories	
1004 W 18th St	Aleman	Home Goods & Hardware	
1008 W 18th St	Barrera Shoe Repair	Personal Services	
1010 W 18th St	Studio One	Health & Personal	
1012 W 18th St	Color Me Hair Salon	Health & Personal	
1630 S Miller St	Jungman Elementary School	Other	
1034 W 18th St	Residence		
1036 W 18th St	Residence		
1038 W 18th St	Residence		
1040 W 18th St	Itty Bitty's Dog Care	Other	
1044 W 18th St	Las Tres Comanitas	Other	
1100 W 18th St	Los Jazmines	Food Stores	
1102 W 18th St	Pilsen Community Bookshop	Books, Music & Hobbies	
1104 W 18th St	Zebra Lounge	Cafés & Take Out	
1106 W 18th St	Residence		
1110 W 18th St	Empty Lot		
1112 W 18th St	Residence		

1114 W 18th St	Empty Lot			
1118 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront			
1122 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront			
1126 W 18th St	Retro Urban	Apparel & Accessories		
1132 W 18th St	Star Light Massage	Health & Personal		
1134 W 18th St	Ciao Amore	Full Service Restaurants		
1136 W 18th St	Empty Lot			
1140 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront			
1142 W 18th St	Empty Lot			
1144 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront			
1146 W 18th St	Residence			
1148 W 18th St	Empty Lot			
1152 W 18th St	Verdant Matter	Home Goods & Hardware		
1152 W 18th St	Casa Castañeda	Home Goods & Hardware		
1154 W 18th St	Residence			
1156 W 18th St	Vacant			
1160 W 18th St	La Vaca	Full Service Restaurants		
1723 S Racine Ave	Irv's Bike Shop	Other		
1726 S Racine Ave	Super Food Mart	Food Stores		
1208 W 18th St	Prospectus Art Gallery	Other		
1617 S Allport St	St. Procopius Church	Other		
1244 W 18th St	Azul 18	Full Service Restaurants		
1244 W 18th St	Frida Kahlo Community Org.	Other		
1244 W 18th St	Benny's Pizza	Cafés & Take Out		
1248 S Throop St	The Spoke & Bird Bakehouse	Cafés & Take Out		
1659 S Throop St	Shady Rest	Other		
1310 W 18th St	Serrato Law	Professional & Financial		
1310 W 18th St	Melendez Insurance	Professional & Financial		
1310 W 18th St	Mary's Beauty Salon	Personal Services		
1314 W 18th St	Pizzeria Milan	Cafés & Take Out		
1316 W 18th St	Furious Spoon	Full Service Restaurants		
1320 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront	Apparel & Accessories		
1322 W 18th St	Birrieria Reyes de Ocotlán	Full Service Restaurants		
1324 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront			
1326 W 18th St	Chicago Fotos Studio	Personal Services		
1328 W 18th St	Servicios Legales	Professional & Financial		
1332 W 18th St	Pilsen Group Realty	Professional & Financial		
1332 W 18th St	Merchant Enterprises Inc	Personal Services		
1340 W 18th St	Offices	Professional & Financial		
1346 W 18th St	Very Best Vintage	Apparel & Accessories		
1348 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront			
1350 W 18th St	Big City Optical	Health & Personal		

1400 W 18th St	Harris Bank	Professional & Financial
1406 W 18th St	Subway	Cafés & Take Out
1412 W 18th St	Pancho's Barber Shop	Health & Personal
1414 W 18th St	Jazmin's Flowers	Personal Services
1416 W 18th St	Empty Lot	
1418 W 18th St	Midwest Made	Apparel & Accessories
1420 W 18th St	Chavez Jewelry	Apparel & Accessories
1424-8 W 18th St	Parking Lot	
1430 W 18th St	Pilsen VIntage	Apparel & Accessories
1436-40 W 18th St	Casa de la Cultura Carlos Cortez	Other
1444 W 18th St	Costa Azul Travel	Personal Services
1446 W 18th St	International Real Estate	Personal Services
1448 W 18th St	Miranda's Salon	Personal Services
1450 W 18th St	R&M Wireless Consulting	Personal Services
1454 W 18th St	Pilsen Bar & Grill	Full Service Restaurants
1456 W 18th St	Segunda Alicia Thrift Store	Apparel & Accessories
1458 W 18th St	Yaya's Mini Mart	Food Stores
1500 W 18th St	Quick Laundromat	Personal Services
1502 W 18th St	Take Me Out	Cafés & Take Out
1504 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront	
1508 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront	
1510 W 18th St	Canton Regio	Full Service Restaurants
1512 W 18th St	Chela's Gift Shop	Apparel & Accessories
1514 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront	Full Service Restaurants
1518 W 18th St	Wheel of Time	Personal Services
1520 W 18th St	Empty Lot	
1522 W 18th St	Bontanica los Milagrass	Professional & Financial
1524 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront	
1528-30 W 18th St	La Reina Del Descuento	
1532 W 18th St	Residence	
1536 W 18th St	La Cecina	Full Service Restaurants
1538 W 18th St	Centro Botánico Guadalupano	Home Goods & Hardware
1540 W 18th St	Boost Mobile	Personal Services
1544 W 18th St	Taqueria Los Comales	Full Service Restaurants
1548 W 18th St	Oficina Legal - Ana Juan Bustos	Professional & Financial
1550 W 18th St	Loya Insurance Company	Professional & Financial
1725 S Ashland Ave	Cricket Wireless	Personal Services
1723 S Ashland Ave	Restaurant Lipita's	Full Service Restaurants
1722 S Ashland Ave	Envie Paquetería a Mexico	Personal Services
1724 S Ashland Ave	Amego Mini Mart	Food Stores
1608 W 18th St	Yami's Fashion	Apparel & Accessories
1606 W 18th St	Peluquería Nuevo Mexico	Personal Services

1616-8 W 18th St	Parking Lot		
1620 W 18th St	Villalobos & Associates	Professional & Financial	
1624 W 18th St	Cesar A. Velarde Attorney	Professional & Financial	
1626 W 18th St	Colby Gallery	Other	
1628 W 18th St	Residence		
1630 W 18th St	Pilsen Dental Care	Health & Personal	
1634 W 18th St	Nuevo Leon Bakery	Cafés & Take Out	
1636-8 W 18th St	Creperia Nuevo Leon	Full Service Restaurants	
1642 W 18th St	Bistro 18	Full Service Restaurants	
1644 W 18th St	Artesanias D'Mexico	Apparel & Accessories	
1646 W 18th St	The Jibarito Stop	Full Service Restaurants	
1648 W 18th St	Artisic Shoe Repair	Personal Services	
1650 W 18th St	Rocket Barbershop	Personal Services	
1721 S Paulina St	Shell Gas Station	Other	
1700 W 18th St	Family Dollar	Food Stores	
1700 W 18th St	Chicago Workforce Center	Other	
1712 W 18th St	CTA Station		
1712 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront		
1714-6 W 18th St	Sabinos	Food Stores	
1720 W 18th St	Panaderia El Acambaro	Food Stores	
1722 W 18th St	Pin Wheel Records	Books, Music & Hobbies	
1724 W 18th St	Zarai Imports	Apparel & Accessories	
1726 W 18th St	Pilsen Dental Center	Health & Personal	
1730 W 18th St	Dulceria Lupitas	Food Stores	
1732 W 18th St	Lili's Gift Shop	Apparel & Accessories	
1734 W 18th St	Pillo's Furniture	Home Goods & Hardware	
1736 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront		
1738 W 18th St	Nite Cap	Cafés & Take Out	
1740 W 18th St	Filmfront	Other	
1744 W 18th St	Pilsen Alliance	Other	
1746 W 18th St	Residence		
1748 W 18th St	Residence		
1750 W 18th St	Pilsen Photo Studio	Personal Services	
1754-6 W 18th St	Taquería El Mezquite	Cafés & Take Out	
1758 W 18th St	5 Rabanitos Restaurante	Full Service Restaurants	
1800 W 18th St	A H Financial	Professional & Financial	
1802 W 18th St	Residence		
1806 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront		
1808 W 18th St	Residence		
1810 W 18th St	Grupo Jóvenes	Other	
1812 W 18th St	Residence		
1814 W 18th St	Residence		

1818 W 18th St	Residence	I
1820 W 18th St	Small Burger	Full Service Restaurants
1822 W 18th St	Residence	Full Service Restaurants
1824 W 18th St	Residence	
1828 W 18th St	Residence	
1830 W 18th St	Residence	
1832 W 18th St	Residence	
1834 W 18th St	Residence	
1836 W 18th St	Residence	
1840 W 18th St	Residence	
1842 W 18th St	Pizza Nova	Cafés & Take Out
1844 W 18th St	Residence	
1846 W 18th St	Residence	
1848 W 18th St	Residence	
1852 W 18th St	Residence	
1854 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront	
1856 W 18th St	Parking Lot	
1858 W 18th St	Capitol Insurance	Professional & Financial
1900 W 18th St	Blue Kangaroo	Personal Services
1940 W 18th St	Orozco Community Academy	Other
1800-16 S Halsted St	Byline Bank	
811-25 W 18th St	Parking Lot of Byline Bank	
1801 S Peoria St	Residence	
1800 S Peoria St	Residence	
903 W 18th St	Residence	
911 W 18th St	Residence	
913 W 18th St	Residence	
917 W 18th St	Vacant Building	
935 W 18th St	Residence	
937-9 W 18th St	Día de Los Tamales	Full Service Restaurants
943 W 18th St	Residence	İ
945 W 18th St	Residence	
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949 W 18th St	Residence	
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971 W 18th St	Pilsen Smiles	Health & Personal
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1800 S Morgan	No Manches Clothing	Apparel & Accessories
1011 W 18th St	La Catrina Café	Cafés & Take Out
1013 W 18th St	Trino's Pizzeria	Cafés & Take Out
1015 W 18th St	Residence	
1019 W 18th St	Residence	
1021 W 18th St	The Shudio	Apparel & Accessories
1023-5 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront	
1801 S Carpenter St	Residence	
1800 S Carpenter St	Vacant Storefront	
1802 S Carpenter St	Vacant Storefront	
1113 W 18th St	Carnitas Don Pedro	Full Service Restaurants
1115 W 18th St	Parking Lot	
1121 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront	
1125 W 18th St	Vanessa's Unisex Salon	Personal Services
1129 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront	
1131 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront	
1135 W. 18th St	El Trebol Liquors & Bar	Food Stores
1147 W 18th St	Market Supply Co. Vintage	Apparel & Accessories
1149 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront	
1151 W 18th St	Juarez Driving School	Professional & Financial
1153 W 18th St	Comfort Bedding & Furniture	Home Goods & Hardware
1157 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront	
1159-63 W 18th St	Perez Restaurant	Full Service Restaurants
1165 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront	
1167 W 18th St	Amador Liquors	Food Stores
1171 W 18th St	Salon de Belleza Lupitas	Personal Services
1173 W 18th St	Tonantzin	Apparel & Accessories
1175 W 18th St	Boost Moblie	Personal Services
1801 S Racine Ave	Metro PCS	Personal Services
1800 S Racine Ave	Honky Tonk BBQ	Cafés & Take Out
1215-19 W 18th St	Modern Cooperative	Home Goods & Hardware
1221 W 18th St	Residence	
1223 W 18th St	Belli's	Food Stores
1227 W 18th St	Dusek's Board & Beer	Full Service Restaurants
1807 S Allport St	Thalia Hall	Books, Music & Hobbies
1239 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront	
1239 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront	
1249 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront	
1253 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront	
1257 W 18th St	Discoteca Rosy	Books, Music & Hobbies
1801 S Throop St.	Mirage Beauty Salon	Personal Services
1803 S Throop St.	Sunshine Dental	Health & Personal

1305 W 18th St	Lavandería Pilsen	Personal Services
1307 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront	Cafés & Take Out
1315 W 18th St	Pollo Express	Full Service Restaurants
1317 W 18th St	Felix Appliances	Home Goods & Hardware
1321 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront	Trome Goods & That ware
1323 W 18th St	Alvarez Hardware	Home Goods & Hardware
1325 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront	Trome Goods & Threware
1327 W 18th St	Lakshmi Hair Salon	Personal Services
1329 W 18th St	A One Food Mart	Food Stores
1333 W 18th St	Tu Tiras	Other
1335 W 18th St	Moreno	Personal Services
1337 W 18th St	Barbara Juan's Unisex	Personal Services
1339 W 18th St	Panadería Del Refugio	Food Stores
1342 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront	1 ood Stores
1345 W 18th St	Harbee Liquors & Taveren	Food Stores
1805 S Loomis St	Lozano Branch, Public Library	Other
1817 S Loomis St	Chicago Día de los Niños	Other
1817 S Loomis St	Mera Bites	Food Stores
1800 S Blue Island	Wintrust Bank	Professional & Financial
1153 W 18th St	Giordano's	Professional & Financial
1417 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront	Froiessional & Finalicial
1419 W 18th St	Sierra Financial Group	Professional & Financial
1421 W 18th St	Order Express	Personal Services
1423 W 18th St	Residence	1 crsonar services
1425 W 18th St	Knee Deep Vintage	Apparel & Accessories
1429 W 18th St	T-Mobile	Personal Services
1431 W 18th St	Empty Lot	1 crsonar services
1439 W 18th St	Café Jumping Bean	Full Service Restaurants
1441 W 18th St	Del Sol Realty	Professional & Financial
1441 W 18th St	Lower Level Tattoo	Personal Services
1443 W 18th St	Librería Girón	Books, Music & Hobbies
1445 W 18th St	Residence	Books, Wasie & Hobbies
1447 W 18th St	Memo's Hot Dog	Cafés & Take Out
1801 S Laflin St	J.C. Construction Co.	Professional & Financial
1801 S Laffin St	Coyotes Restaurant	Full Service Restaurants
1801 S Laffin St	Bombón Café Gallery	Cafés & Take Out
1501 W 18th St	Thrill Jockey Records	Books, Music & Hobbies
1503 W 18th St	Residence	Doord, Music & Hobbits
1511 W 18th St	Tortillería Sabinas	Food Stores
1515 W 18th St	Empty Lot	1 000 010103
1517 W 18th St	Empty Lot	
1519 W 18th St	Pl-zen	Full Service Restaurants
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1519 W 18th St	Evans St. Liquors	Food Stores	
1521 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront		
1523 W 18th St	Vista Nueva	Personal Services	
1527 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront		
1529 W 18th St	Jireh Fashion	Apparel & Accessories	
1531 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront		
1537 W 18th St	Residence		
1539 W 18th St	Empty Lot		
1541 W 18th St	Residence		
1545 W 18th St	Pilsen Law Center	Other	
1549 W 18th St	Gadget Rehab	Other	
1801 S Ashland St	Metro PCS	Personal Services	
1800 S Ashland St	AT&T	Personal Services	
1617-25 W 18th St	MB Financial Bank	Professional & Financial	
1627 W 18th St	Residence		
1629 W 18th St	Residence		
1631 W 18th St	State Farm	Professional & Financial	
1633 W 18th St	Residence		
1637 W 18th St	Café Monsiváis	Cafés & Take Out	
1639 W 18th St	Paletería El Sabor	Full Service Restaurants	
1641 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront	Cafés & Take Out	
1645 W 18th St	Athletico Physical Therapy	Health & Personal	
1647 W 18th St	Agency Nunez	Professional & Financial	
1649 W 18th St	ATi (American Transfer Inc.)	Health & Personal	
1653 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront	Other	
1657-9 W 18th St	Dunkin' Dounuts	Cafés & Take Out	
1705 W 18th St	Bank of America	Professional & Financial	
1713 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront		
1719 W 18th St	Orthodontic Experts	Health & Personal	
1721 W 18th St	Pilsen Clutch & Auto	Automotive	
1723 W 18th St	Steffi's Unisex	Personal Services	
1725 W 18ht St	Carnitas Uruapan	Full Service Restaurants	
1727 W 18th St	Ingram Creative	Other	
1731 W 18th St	El Dollar	Food Stores	
1733 W 18th St	Empty Lot		
1735 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront		
1737 W 18th St	China Dragon	Full Service Restaurants	
1739 W 18th St	Residence		
1743 W 18th St	NutriMedicos	Personal Services	
1745 W 18th St	Residence		
1747 W 18th St	Residence		
1749 W 18th St	Ochoa Sporting Goods	Apparel & Accessories	
1751 W 18th St	Mirene's Boutique	Apparel & Accessories	
1755 W 18th St	Gloria's Tacos	Cafés & Take Out	
1757-9 W 18th St	Vacant Storefront		

Pilsen Community Survey Results

The process to create the 2016 Pilsen Quality-of-Life Plan includes various forms of community engagement for information gathering, including 172 responses to a community survey. The community survey was disseminated by community organizations and was completed by Pilsen residents and those who spend time in Pilsen. The survey asked open-ended and multiple-choice questions to gather information about various aspects of the Pilsen community. Subject areas in the survey included quality of life, education, local economy, public safety, environmental quality, transportation, public services, and health.

Quality of Life

How would you rate your personal quality of life in Pilsen?		
	Responses	Percent
Very good	7	5.9%
Good	51	43.2%
Fair	49	41.5%
Poor	10	8.5%
Very poor	1	0.8%
Total	118	100.0%

What would happen to your quality of life if you lived in another neighborhood?		
	Responses	Percent
Much better off	8	7.6%
Better off	32	30.5%
About the same	42	40.0%
Worse off	18	17.1%
Much worse off	5	4.8%
Total	105	100.0%

Education (for parents with children in a Pilsen school)

Do you have a child that goes to school in Pilsen?		
	Responses	Percent
No	96	57.1%
Yes	72	42.9%
Total	168	100.0%

Are there any challenges or barriers to accessing full educational system in Pilsen?		
	Responses	Percent
Yes	36	53.7%
No	31	46.3%
Total	67	100.0%

How would you rate the quality of schools available to children in Pilsen?		
	Responses	Percent
Very good	14	20.3%
Good	18	26.1%
Fair	27	39.1%
Poor	9	13.0%
Very poor	1	1.4%
Total	69	100.0%

Education, cont.

Are there adequate early childhood programs?		
	Responses	Percent
Yes	41	57.7%
No	30	42.3%
Total	71	100.0%

Are the early childhood programs affordable?		
	Responses	Percent
Yes	37	57.8%
No	27	42.2%
Total	64	100.0%

Are there adequate afterschool programs?		
	Responses	Percent
Yes	31	45.6%
No	37	54.4%
Total	68	100.0%

Are the afterschool programs affordable?		
	Responses	Percent
Yes	37	57.8%
No	27	42.2%
Total	64	100.0%

Local Economy

How would you rate the current economic situation in Pilsen?		
	Responses	Percent
Very good	4	2.5%
Good	13	8.2%
Fair	84	52.8%
Poor	55	34.6%
Very poor	3	1.9%
Total	159	100.0%

How does the current economic situation in Pilsen compare to 1 year ago?		
	Responses	Percent
Much better off	1	0.6%
Better off	38	24.4%
About the same	90	57.7%
Worse off	25	16.0%
Much worse off	2	1.3%
Total	156	100.0%

Public Safety

How would you rate the level of crime in your neighborhood?		
	Responses	Percent
Very low	1	0.9%
Low	14	12.0%
Moderate	40	34.2%
High	39	33.3%
Very high	23	19.7%
Total	163	100.0%

How safe do you feel walking alone after dark in your neighborhood?		
	Responses	Percent
Very safe	3	2.6%
Safe	14	12.0%
Somewhat safe	39	33.3%
A little safe	36	30.8%
Not at all safe	25	21.4%
Total	117	100.0%

How satisfied are you with the quality of street lighting?		
	Responses	Percent
Very satisfied	2	1.3%
Satisfied	29	18.2%
Somewhat satisfied	71	44.7%
A little	43	27.0%
Not at all	14	8.8%
Total	159	100.0%

How would you rate the emergency response time in Pilsen?		
	Responses	Percent
Very good	8	5.2%
Good	27	17.5%
Fair	71	46.1%
Poor	37	24.0%
Very poor	11	7.1%
Total	154	100.0%

Housing

How satisfied are you with your current housing situation?		
	Responses	Percent
Very Satisfied	18	16.2%
Satisfied	39	35.1%
Some	24	21.6%
A little	20	18.0%
Not at all	10	9.0%
Total	111	100.0%

Do you pay more than 1/3 of your income on rent or mortgage?		
	Responses	Percent
A lot more than	12	11.5%
More than	28	26.9%
About 1/3	27	26.0%
Less than	28	26.9%
A lot less than	9	8.7%
Total	104	100.0%

Do you own or rent your home?		
	Responses	Percent
Own	24	22.6%
Rent	74	69.8%
Homeless	8	7.5%
Total	106	100.0%

How long have you lived in Pilsen?		
	Responses	Percent
Less than 1 year	13	11.3%
1 to 3 years	14	12.2%
4 to 7 years	12	10.4%
8 to 15 years	19	16.5%
More than 15 years	57	49.6%
Total	115	100.0%

Environmental quality

How would you rate the air quality in Pilsen?		
	Responses	Percent
Very good	3	1.8%
Good	28	16.8%
Fair	75	44.9%
Poor	52	31.1%
Very poor	9	5.4%
Total	167	100.0%

Are you concerned with the effect of local air pollution on your health?		
	Responses	Percent
A great deal	15	8.9%
Quite a lot	42	25.0%
Some	47	28.0%
A little	43	25.6%
Not at all	21	12.5%
Total	168	100.0%

How would you rate your satisfaction with the quality of parks and recreation in Pilsen?		
	Responses	Percent
Very satisfied	4	2.5%
Satisfied	34	21.1%
Somewhat satisfied	78	48.4%
A little	27	16.8%
Not at all	18	11.2%
Total	161	100.0%

Transportation

Do you commute to work?		
	Responses	Percent
Yes	46	40.4%
Sometimes	25	21.9%
No	43	37.7%
Total	114	100.0%

Has your commute time changed over the past 12 months?		
	Responses	Percent
Much longer	2	1.9%
Longer	8	7.5%
About the same	79	73.8%
Shorter	12	11.2%
Much shorter	6	5.6%
Total	107	100.0%

How would you rate the quality of public transportation?		
	Responses	Percent
Very good	11	9.5%
Good	32	27.6%
Fair	47	40.5%
Poor	22	19.0%
Very poor	4	3.4%
Total	116	100.0%

Public Services

How satisfied are you with the quality of trash collection services?		
	Responses	Percent
Very satisfied	15	12.6%
Satisfied	34	28.6%
Somewhat satisfied	43	36.1%
A little	19	16.0%
Not at all	8	6.7%
Total	119	100.0%

How satisfied are you with the quality of city maintenance in Pilsen?		
	Responses	Percent
Very satisfied	10	6.1%
Satisfied	21	12.8%
Somewhat satisfied	69	42.1%
A little	53	32.3%
Not at all	11	6.7%
Total	164	100.0%

Public Services, cont.

In general, how satisfied are you with the responsiveness of your local government to your needs?		
	Responses	Percent
Very satisfied	16	10.3%
Satisfied	18	11.6%
Somewhat satisfied	56	36.1%
A little	49	31.6%
Not at all	16	10.3%
Total	155	100.0%

Health

How would you rate the availability of health-care facilities in your community?			
	Responses	Percent	
Very available	7	6.0%	
Available	33	28.4%	
Somewhat available	40 34.5%		
A little	30	25.9%	
Not at all	6	5.2%	
Total	116	100.0%	

How would you rate the quality of health-care in your community?		
	Responses	Percent
Very good	5	4.5%
Good	23 20.5%	
Fair	48 42.9%	
Poor	28 25.0%	
Very poor	8	7.1%
Total 112 100.		100.0%

How would you rate the availability of mental health services in your community?				
Responses Percent				
Very available	3	2.8%		
Available	14 13.1%			
Somewhat available	Somewhat available 36 33.0			
A little	33	30.8%		
Not at all	21	19.6%		
Total 107 100.00				

How would you rate the availability of healthy food options in your community?				
	Responses Percen			
Very available	6 5.1%			
Available	37 31.4%			
Somewhat available	43 36.4%			
A little	23 19.5%			
Not at all	9	7.6%		
Total 118 100.0				

Demographics of Survey Respondents

How would you identify your race and/or ethnicity?		
	Responses Percer	
Asian	1 0.6%	
Black or African American	3 1.8%	
Hispanic or Latino/a	130 78.3%	
Other	6 3.6%	
White	26	15.7%
Total	166	100.0%

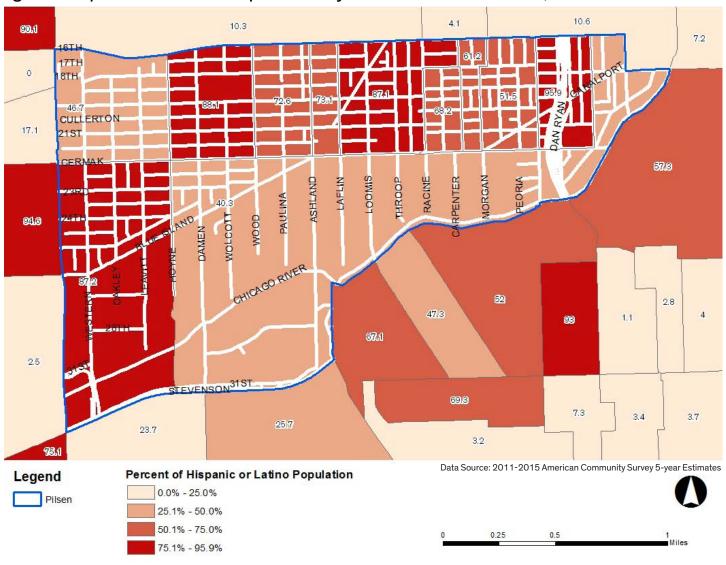
What is your gender?				
	Responses Perce			
Female	120 73.29			
Male	44 26.8%			
Total	164	100.0%		

What is your age?		
	Responses	Percent
18 to 19 years old	2	1.2%
20 to 24 years old	16	9.9%
25 to 34 years old	45 27.89	
35 to 44 years old	46 28.49	
45 to 54 years old	31 19.1%	
55 to 64 years old	13 8.0%	
65 years and older	9	5.6%
Total	162	100.0%

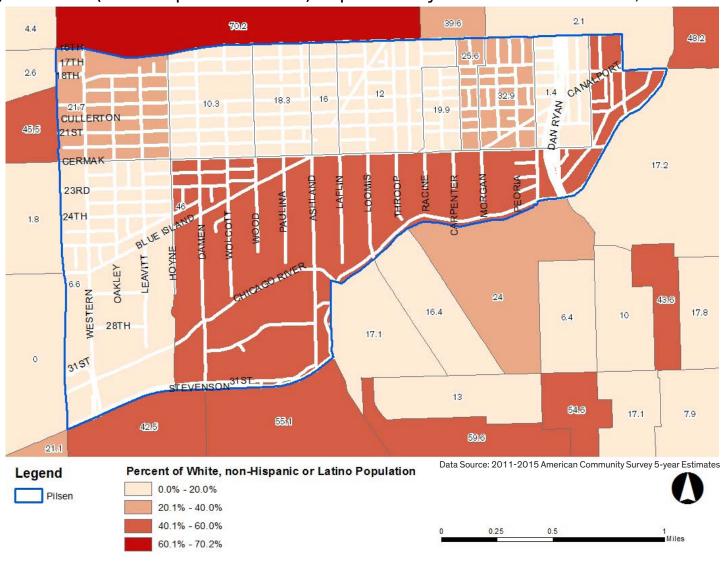
What is the estimated yearly income of your household?		
	Responses	Percent
\$10000 to \$14999	10	7.0%
\$100000 to \$149999	9	6.3%
\$15000 to \$24999	20 14.19	
\$150000 or more	4	2.8%
\$25000 to \$34999	28	19.7%
\$35000 to \$49999	29 20.49	20.4%
\$50000 to \$74999	14	9.9%
\$75000 to \$99999	6	4.2%
Less than \$10000	22	15.5%
Total	142	100.0%

How many people do you have in your household?			
	Responses	Percent	
1	17	10.7%	
2	29	18.2%	
3	29 18.29		
4	37 23.3		
5	27 17.0		
6	9 5.7%		
7	4	2.5%	
8	3	1.9%	
More than 8	4	2.5%	
Total	159	100.0%	

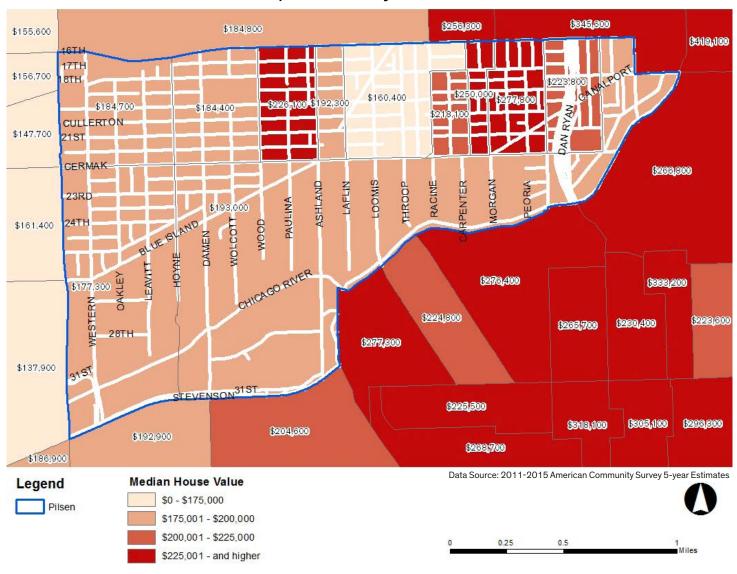
Percentage of Hispanic or Latino Population by Census Tract in Pilsen, 2011–2015



Percentage of White (Non-Hispanic or Latino) Population by Census Tract in Pilsen, 2011–2015



Median House Value for Owner-Occupied Units by Census Tract in Pilsen, 2011-2015



Median Rent Value by Census Tract in Pilsen, 2011–2015

