



2016 Homeownership Priority Areas Map

Reference Guide

OVERVIEW

In order to balance housing investments and ensure equitable development, DSHA has identified different neighborhoods across the state to better understand how to target investment most appropriate for each neighborhood.

This map identifies highly distressed neighborhoods suffering from blight and concentrated poverty where strategies should be focused on stabilizing neighborhoods through increased homeownership, investment in existing homes and commercial areas, and people-based intervention strategies, to provide increased mobility, supportive services and community wealth.

DATA LAYER - DEFINITIONS AND SOURCES

Downtown Development District

- Highly distressed areas targeted by local governments for redevelopment and designated by the Governor under the Downtown Development Districts Act of 2014.

Delaware Market Areas

- As identified in the Delaware Market Valuation Analysis, developed by the Reinvestment Fund (TRF), and included in the *Delaware Housing Needs Assessment, 2015 – 2020*

Wilmington Market Areas

- As identified in the Wilmington Market Valuation Analysis, developed by the Reinvestment Fund (TRF) in 2015.

Blueprint Communities

- A community revitalization initiative that provides training and technical assistance to groups from select communities in Delaware to implement plans that revitalize their communities.

‘Racially/Ethnically Concentrated Areas of Poverty’ (R/ECAP)

- As defined by U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, census tracts with:
 - A family poverty rate $\geq 40\%$ or
 - A family poverty rate $\geq 300\%$ of the metro tract average (whichever is lower)
 - AND a majority nonwhite population ($>50\%$)

The map reflects HUD-defined R/ECAPS as of November, 2015.

Rural Communities

- Highly distressed predominantly minority communities located in Kent and Sussex Counties typically in isolated areas.