

2018 CLIMATE RESILIENCE SUMMIT

“YES FARM”

Yesler Terrace Redevelopment & Urban Farm



Seattle
HOUSING
AUTHORITY



**BLACK FARMERS
COLLECTIVE**

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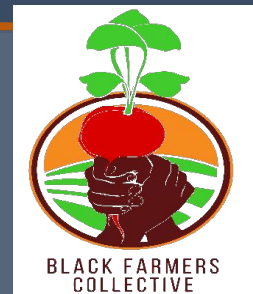
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Presenters:

Jared Johnson – Policy and Program Manager, Seattle Housing Authority

Ray Williams – Science Teacher, Art Institute of Seattle; Black Farmers Collective

Ron Harris-White - Professor and Director of Antioch’s Urban Environmental Leadership and Diversity Office; Black Farmers Collective

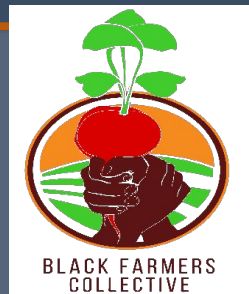


“Why Public Policy?”

YES FARM; How agencies can collaborate with community groups to activate urban open spaces.

“Public Policy is best described as the broad area of government laws, regulations, court decisions, and local ordinances.

“The best way to make a lasting impact on public policy is to change public opinion. When you change the beliefs of the people, politicians and political parties change with them.





“Public Policy”

YES FARM; How agencies can collaborate with community groups to activate urban open spaces.

Yes Farm is created to build trust, grow community as we grow food. Public Policy
“Social Justice is what we call Love in public”
Today we are going to share a story about people coming together to make policy as it creates new practices!



“Historical Background”



“We have to realize that more instruction is going on outside the classroom, many times more every minute of the day than goes on inside the classroom. That is, the amount of information that is embedded in young minds per minute outside the classroom far exceeds anything that happens inside the classroom in just quantitative terms now.” – McLuhan, M. (1966, April)

“Hey! We're gardening here!”

“Historical Background”



South Walker Street Urban Garden, located at the intersection of Rainier Valley and the Central Area, was established more than five years ago. Owner and science teacher Ray Williams envisioned the creation of a “learning garden” for community youths and adults. Then Antioch professor Ron Harris-White, Ray’s friend and colleague came on board. Good things began to happen.

We teach young people of “all” ages!

“Historical Background”



Some of our potential partners include:

- Student Conservation Association (SCA)
- Seattle Parks & Recreation
- Department of Neighborhoods
- Office Arts & Cultural Affairs
- REWA
- Forterra
- Earth Corps
- Seattle Schools
- EPOC
- Antioch University
- And more

“Historical Background”



The garden reaches beyond the gardeners and the passersby. Stop by and visit us sometime, as we journey forward.

Learning Objectives:

- Introduction to gardening principles & practices, and community resilience.
- Local Economic innovation and resilience
- Food Systems and environmental studies

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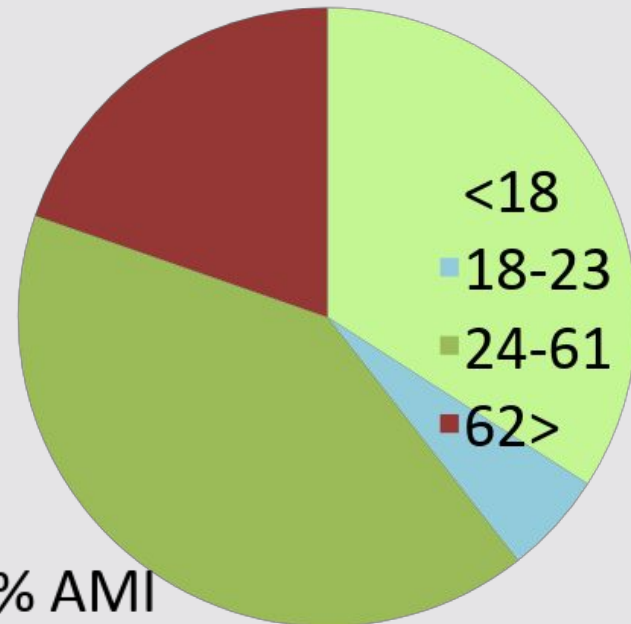
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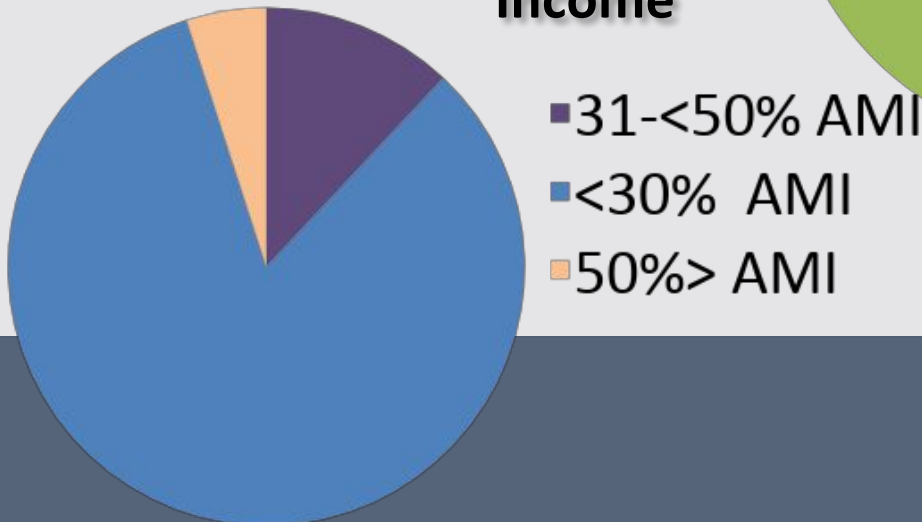
Seattle Housing Authority What we do

- Own & operate 8,015 units
- Provide 10,22 housing vouchers
- Serve 17,114 households/
34,631 individuals/10,076
disabled residents
- Develop, manage & maintain
rental housing

Age Distribution



Income



Renewing Yesler's Promise

The revitalized Yesler will be a community of opportunity for all. Yesler is becoming a connected, diverse, mixed-income neighborhood that honors the neighborhood's history and cultural richness with safe, healthy and sustainable affordable housing, new parks and open spaces, enhanced health, education and economic opportunities and multi-modal transportation.



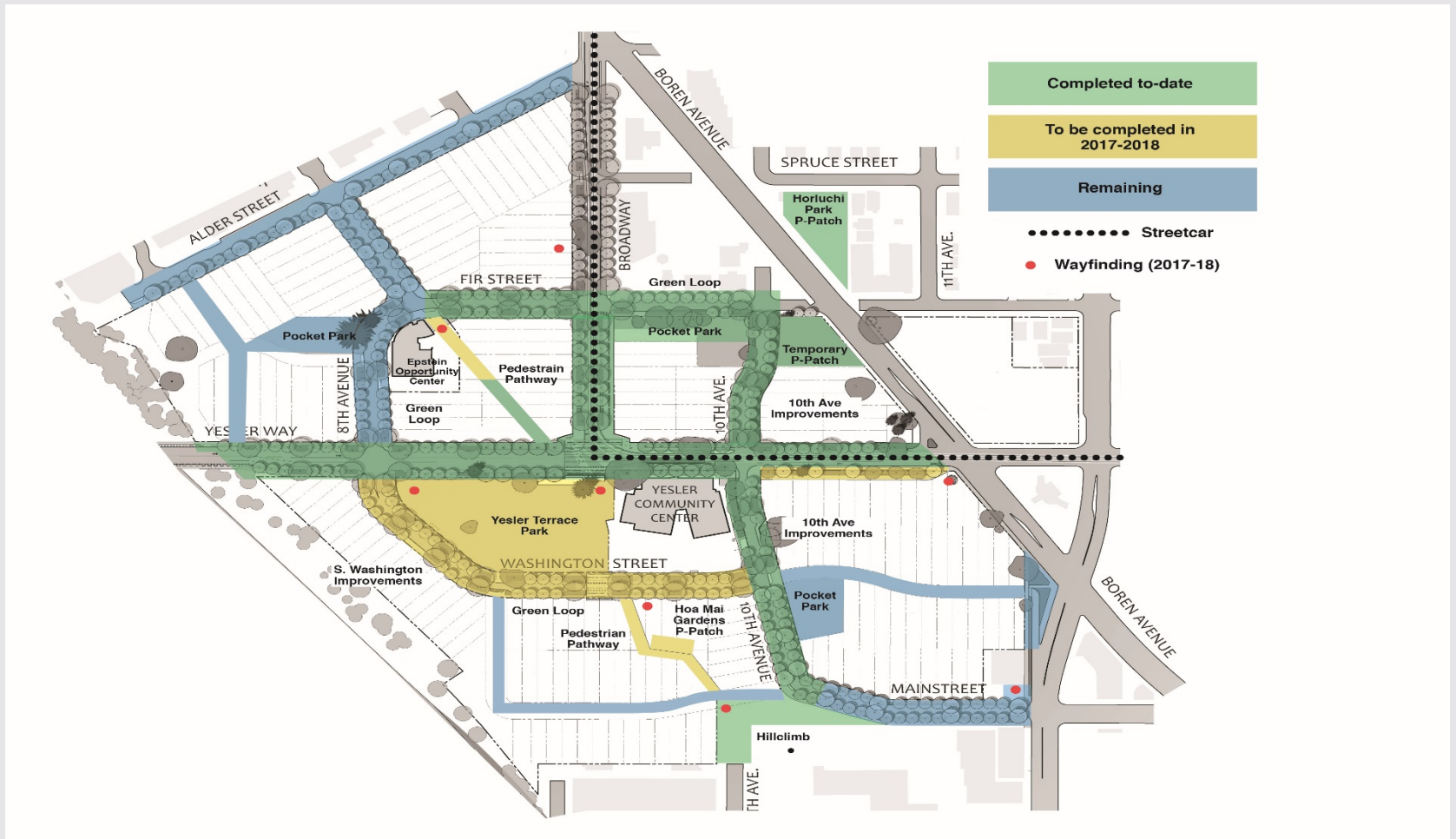


GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- Social Equity
- Economic Opportunity
- Environmental Stewardship
- One-for-One Replacement Housing



NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENTS



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Call to Action!



**Join our tour of
“Yes Farm” this February!**

The tour will immerse students into a world of new and old ideas. The tour is intended to inform, inspire and transform the traveler. The one-hour tour will focus on urban ecology, food justice, cultural and community sustainability.

**Sign up
NOW!**

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Questions & Answers

