

# Where will people **live** in the Greater Downtown in 2027?

## 3 Transformative Direction

The Greater Downtown can provide different “lifestyle neighborhood” choices that retain and attract a diversity of residents and household types.

### Challenges



**Housing Not Creating More Population**  
The apartment development boom has **not translated into robust population gains** in Greater Downtown.



**Rising Gentrification Fears**  
The housing unit and population gains in Historic Third Ward and Downtown have been accompanied by **losses in five study area neighborhoods** - creating little home ownership options and rising gentrification tension.



**Housing Supply May Not Keep Pace**  
The Greater Downtown apartment market may not be sustainable past 2020 **as millennials age into peak home buying years**.



**Concentrated Affordable Housing**  
Affordable housing is primarily concentrated in **Downtown and Lindsay Heights/Fondy-North**.



**Few Homeowners**  
**77%** of the multifamily housing is rental.

### If Trends Continue

**Housing Production for Only One Market**  
Housing production at 0-2 bedrooms primarily attracting millennials will slow as millennials age and look for new housing options

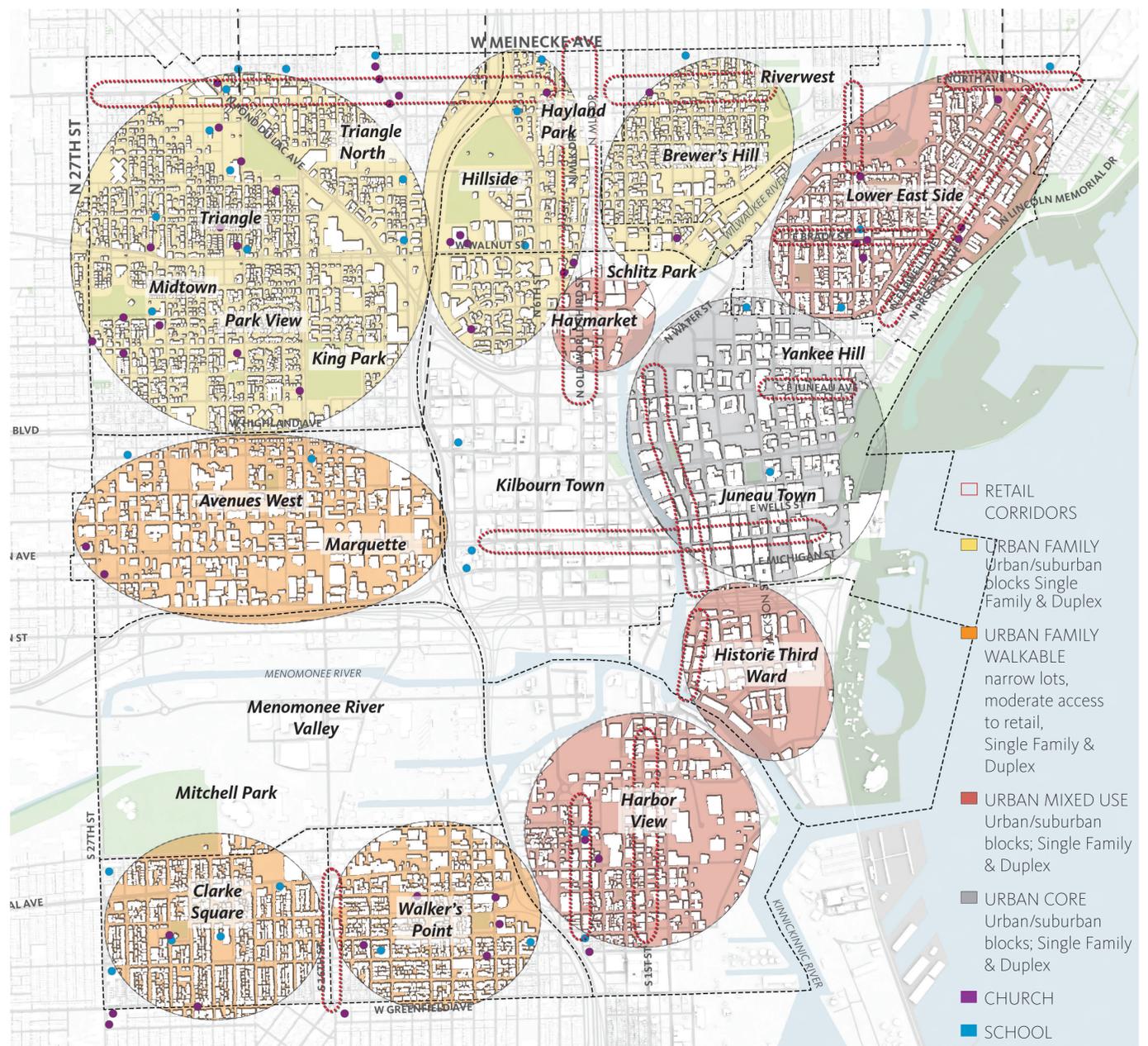
**Uneven Housing Growth**  
While the number of housing units is increasing overall, some greater downtown neighborhoods (e.g. Walker Square, Lindsay Heights) have lost units over the last decade

**Rental Culture**  
Few home ownership options limit the choices Greater Downtown residents have to stay in the area

**Attraction vs. Retention**  
Perceptions that housing production is aimed at attracting new residents, versus housing investments that help retain existing residents heightens concerns about racial inequality.

### Proposed Imperatives

- Greater Downtown must create a **diverse, attractive and affordable housing choices that retain existing residents**
- Greater Downtown must **increase home ownership and home purchase options**
- Greater Downtown must **create distinct neighborhoods with unique identity and lifestyle offerings** that expand the choices to live in Milwaukee
- Greater Downtown must **honor community (social) and neighborhood (physical) authenticity**



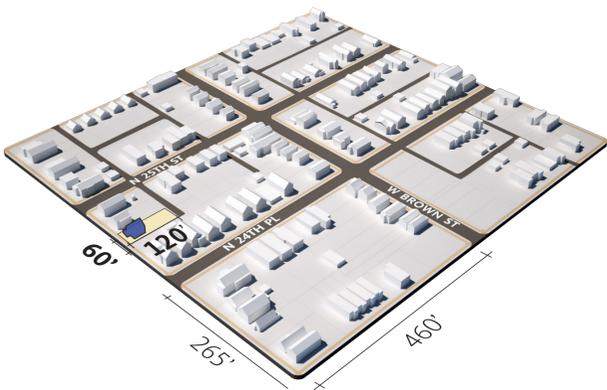
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### Urban Family

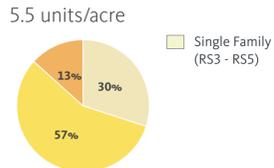
6,885 total units | 6.1 units/acre

- Urban and Suburban block framework
- Wider lots; shorter blocks
- Primarily Single Family and Duplex

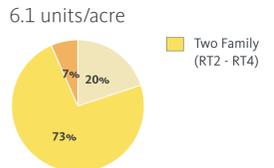


#### Housing Type Ratios

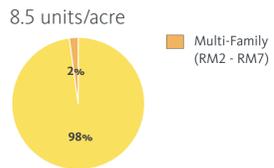
LINDSAY HEIGHTS FONDY-NORTH  
5.5 units/acre



KING DRIVE BRONZEVILLE  
6.1 units/acre



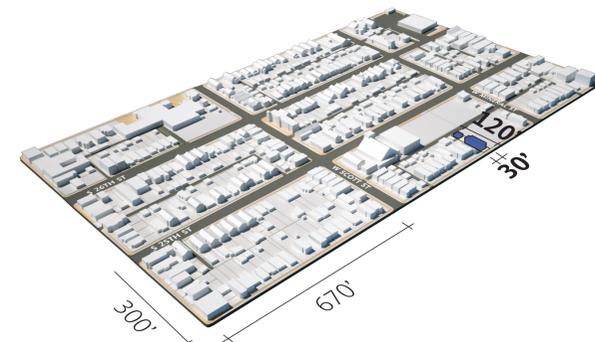
BREWER'S HILL HARAMBEE  
8.5 units/acre



### Urban Family Walkable

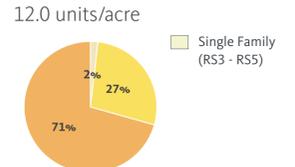
9,533 total units | 10.6 units/acre

- Narrow lots, longer blocks
- Single family, duplexes, medium, high density
- Moderate access to neighborhood serving retail

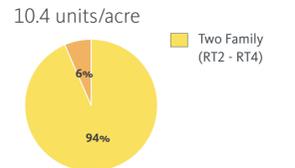


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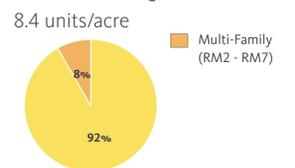
NEAR WEST SIDE (EAST)  
12.0 units/acre



CLARKE SQUARE  
10.4 units/acre



WALKER SQUARE  
8.4 units/acre



### Urban Mixed-Use

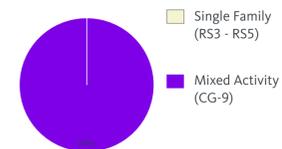
13,831 total units | 12.8 units/acre

- Medium/Medium-High Density
- Ground floor retail/commercial use
- Moderately walkable, higher access to transit

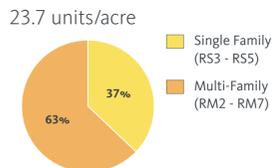


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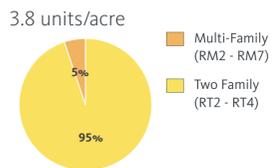
HISTORIC THIRD WARD  
10.2 units/acre



LOWER EAST SIDE  
23.7 units/acre



WALKER'S POINT  
3.8 units/acre



### Urban Core

8,982 total units | 8.7 units/acre

- Higher density buildings
- Mixed-use neighborhoods
- Highly walkable with high transit access



#### Housing Type Ratios

DOWNTOWN  
8.7 units/acre

