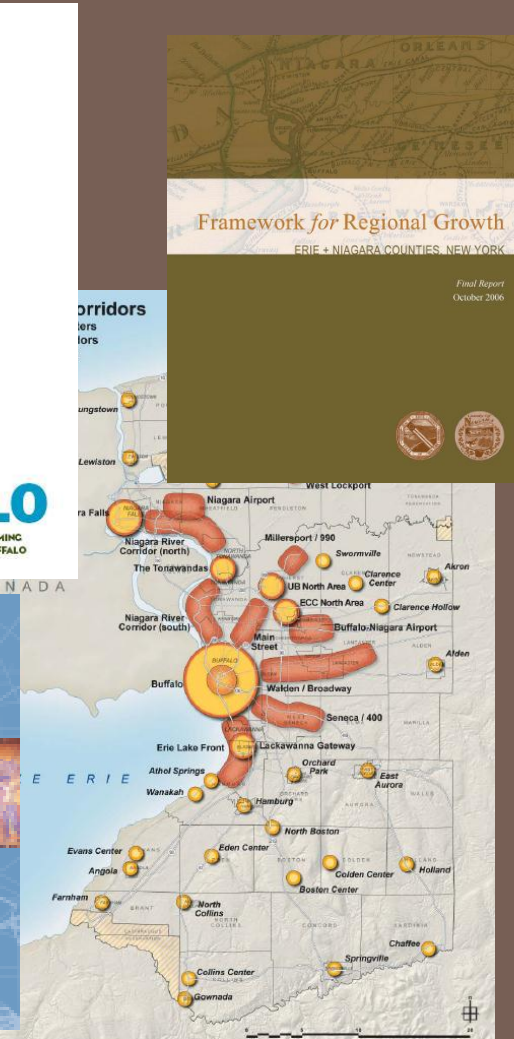
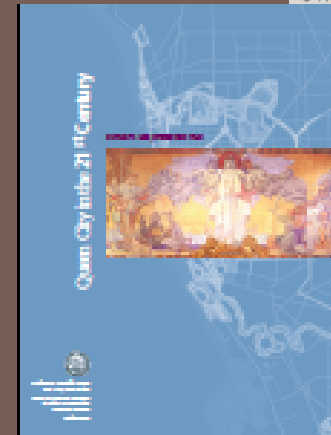
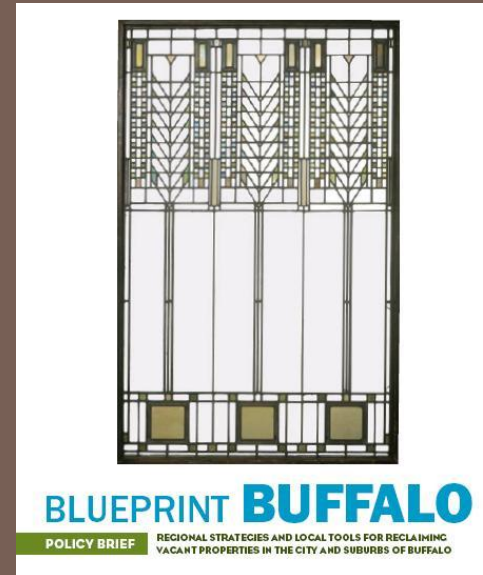
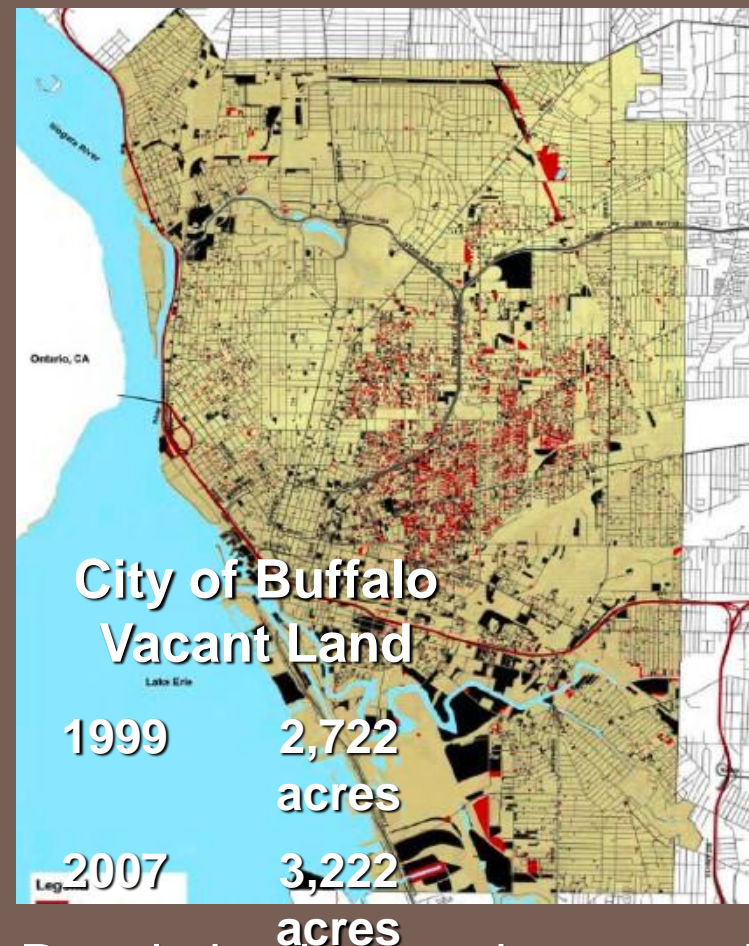


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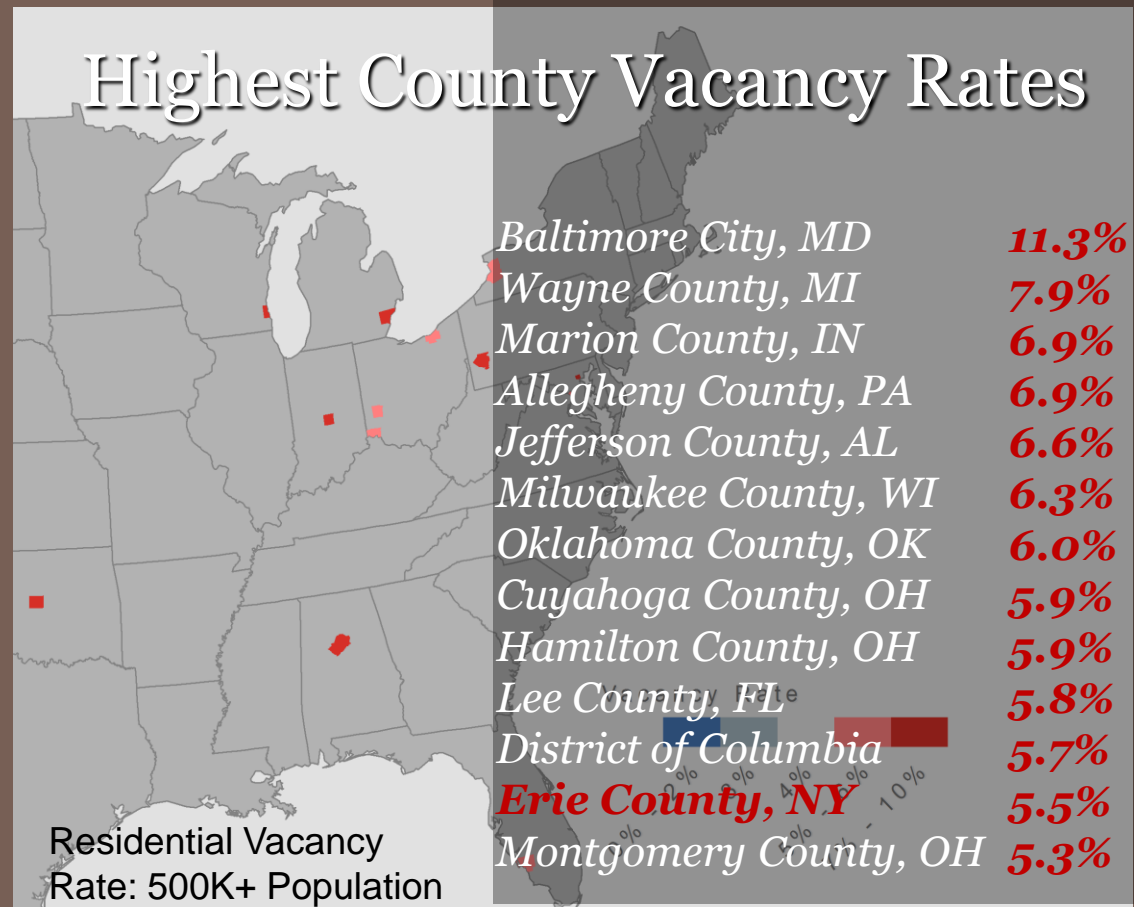
A suite of planning, visioning and policy documents from the mid-2000s focused on regional assets, liabilities and fostering collaboration in Western New York. The National Vacant Properties Campaign's *Blueprint Buffalo* first proposed land bank legislation for NYS in late 2006.



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Highest County Vacancy Rates



Population loss and vacancy issues have spread far beyond urban borders.

New York State Land Bank Legislation

- Legislation first Introduced by Assembly Member Hoyt in 2007.
- Widespread support across UpState New York.
- Passed but vetoed by Governor Paterson in 2009.
- Passed and signed by Governor Cuomo in July 2011.



The Legislation

Land Banks can be formed by
Foreclosing Governmental Units.

Locally controlled but under oversight of
Empire State Development.

Enables a suite of programs and
powers for comprehensive vacancy
revitalization.

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Partners in Passage

- Center for Community Progress
- CenterState CEO
- Empire State Future
- Local Initiative Support Corporation



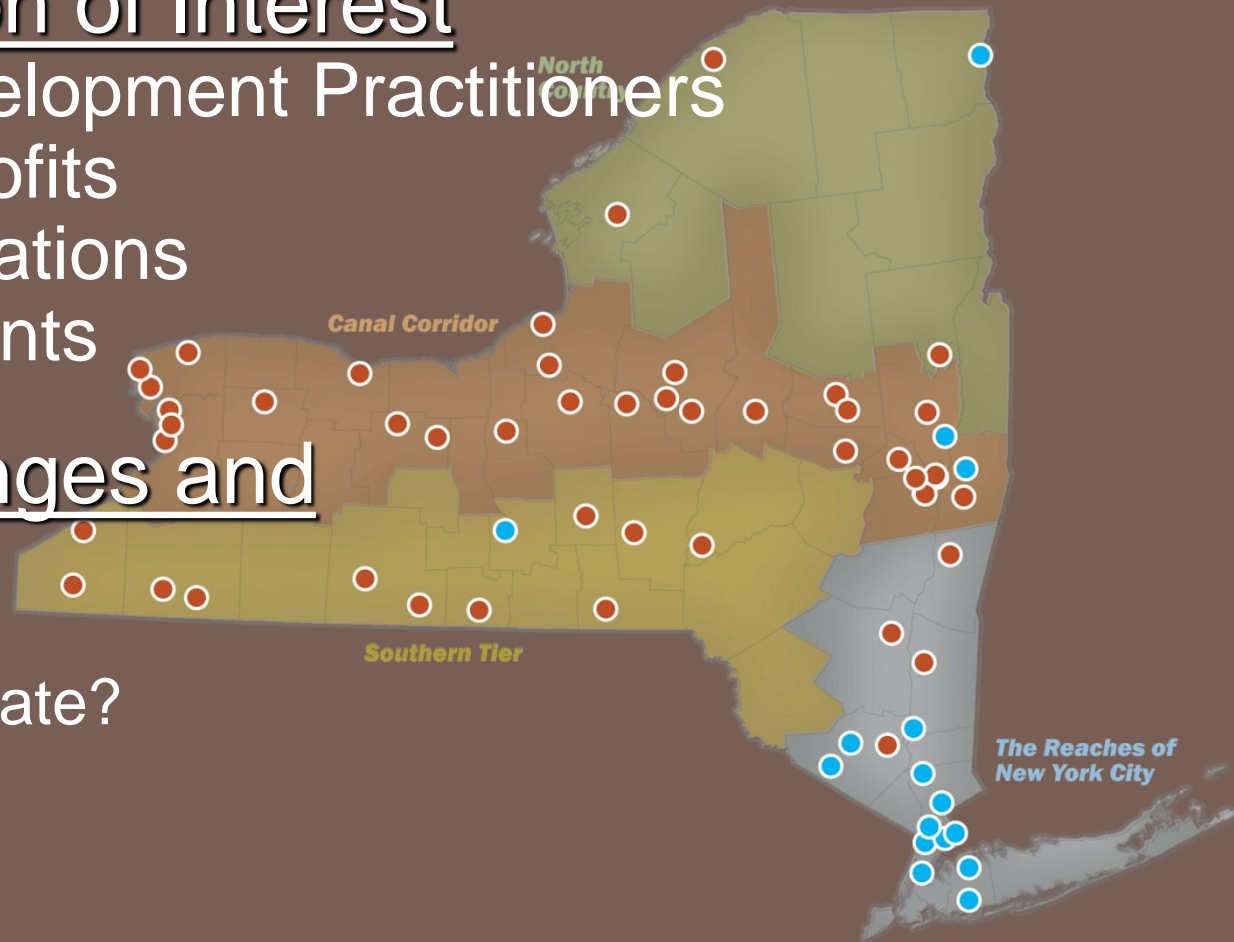
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Diverse Coalition of Interest

- Community Development Practitioners
- National Non-Profits
- Business Associations
- Local Governments

Political Challenges and Resolutions

- County vs. City?
- UpState vs. Downstate?



New York State Land Bank Legislation

Creating a Successful Campaign

- Build a Broad Base of Support
- Anticipate Obstacles/ Roadblocks
- Secure Executive Support Early
- Make the Regional Case
- Identify a Champion, Mobilize Many Voices
- Engage Neutral Experts



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