

VACANT LAND FACTS

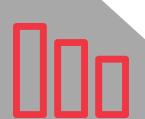
EVOLUTION OF VACANT LAND

1) Industry Closes

2) Population Declines

3) Properties Abandoned

4) Tax Revenue Decreases



5) Funding Needed Exceeds
Funding Available

COSTS

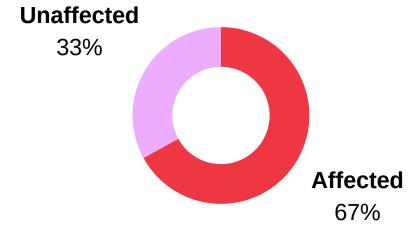
Direct: \$2 million for municipal services like fire, police, and code enforcement

Indirect: \$226 million in lost property value

More than **two-thirds of homes** (67.3%) in distressed
property markets are affected
by vacant land in Allegheny
County



One-third of vacant lots are chronically tax delinquent



26,743

Vacant Lots in the City of Pittsburgh

BENEFITS OF MAINTENANCE

Economic: Property values could increase by7.6% with stabilization of vacant land





Mental Health: Greening efforts have shown to decrease feelings of depression by 40%

Community Cohesion: Maintenance efforts foster community leadership and participation



Grounded Strategies works with local Pittsburgh communities to provide technical assistance in vacant lot maintenance, stormwater management, and greenspace design. Vacant lots markedly compromise the quality of life for residents, negatively impact property values, and significantly weaken the City's tax base. Grounded envisions empowered communities with access to the right tools and resources to make green, resilient, safe, and livable spaces.