

Milwaukee, Wisconsin

ID	Blue Folder Name	OLAS#	Population	Sq Miles	Poverty	Unemployment	Low Income Households
71	Milwaukee, WI	WI0002	124,414	10	50%	21%	83%

Milwaukee, Wisconsin has a Round I Enterprise Community (EC) that has, in part, been designated as a Renewal Community (RC), thus Milwaukee lost its EC designation when it received an RC designation on January 1, 2002.

The Milwaukee RC Course of Action chooses the following strategies:

Reducing Tax Burdens

Property tax reductions, in the city of Milwaukee, over the past eleven years have left more than \$278 million in the local private sector, which resulted in the retention of 3,600 jobs. Tax incentives will be used to implement various development projects such as the Milwaukee Mainstreets program, the RiverWalk and a thirty-three acre site that is the former home of AMC/Chrysler.

Improving Local Services

The network of services available to RC residents will be expanded through the collaboration of Wisconsin Works (a welfare reform program) and other workforce, education and affordable housing programs. Many programs are already in place such as Wisconsin Works (W2), employment training and a Weed and Seed Program.

Crime Reduction

Crime in the proposed RC area has dropped from 13,300 per incidents per 100,000 in 1990 to 10,000 incidents per 100,000. Steps that will be taken to reduce the level of crime in the proposed Milwaukee RC include: organizing block clubs, resident meetings, and neighborhood patrols, improving the physical conditions of neighborhoods, and implementing proactive public safety and crime prevention programs.

Reducing Government Requirements

In order to reduce government requirements in the proposed RC, the City of Milwaukee will develop and operate a one stop permitting center, conduct and implement customer friendly zoning policies, and develop and administer voluntary environmental compliance programs.

Involving Community Partners

The City of Milwaukee will work with its partners to implement the RC collaborations and the TIUP. These partners include:

Milwaukee Department of City Development (DCD)
Metropolitan Milwaukee Association of Commerce (MMAC)
Urban Economic Development Association of Wisconsin, Inc. (UEDA)
Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC)