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**WARD 13**

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population: 30,884

**2015**

# Ward 13

## Context

**Ward 13** is located in the southwest corner of Minneapolis and includes 7 residential neighborhoods. The neighborhoods are a vibrant mix of singles, families with children, and seniors in rental and owner-occupied homes.

In addition to its many schools and parks, Ward 13 includes Lakes Calhoun and Harriet, Grass Lake, and Minnehaha Creek. There are several neighborhood business districts with a mix of specialty shops, neighborhood stores, and restaurants.

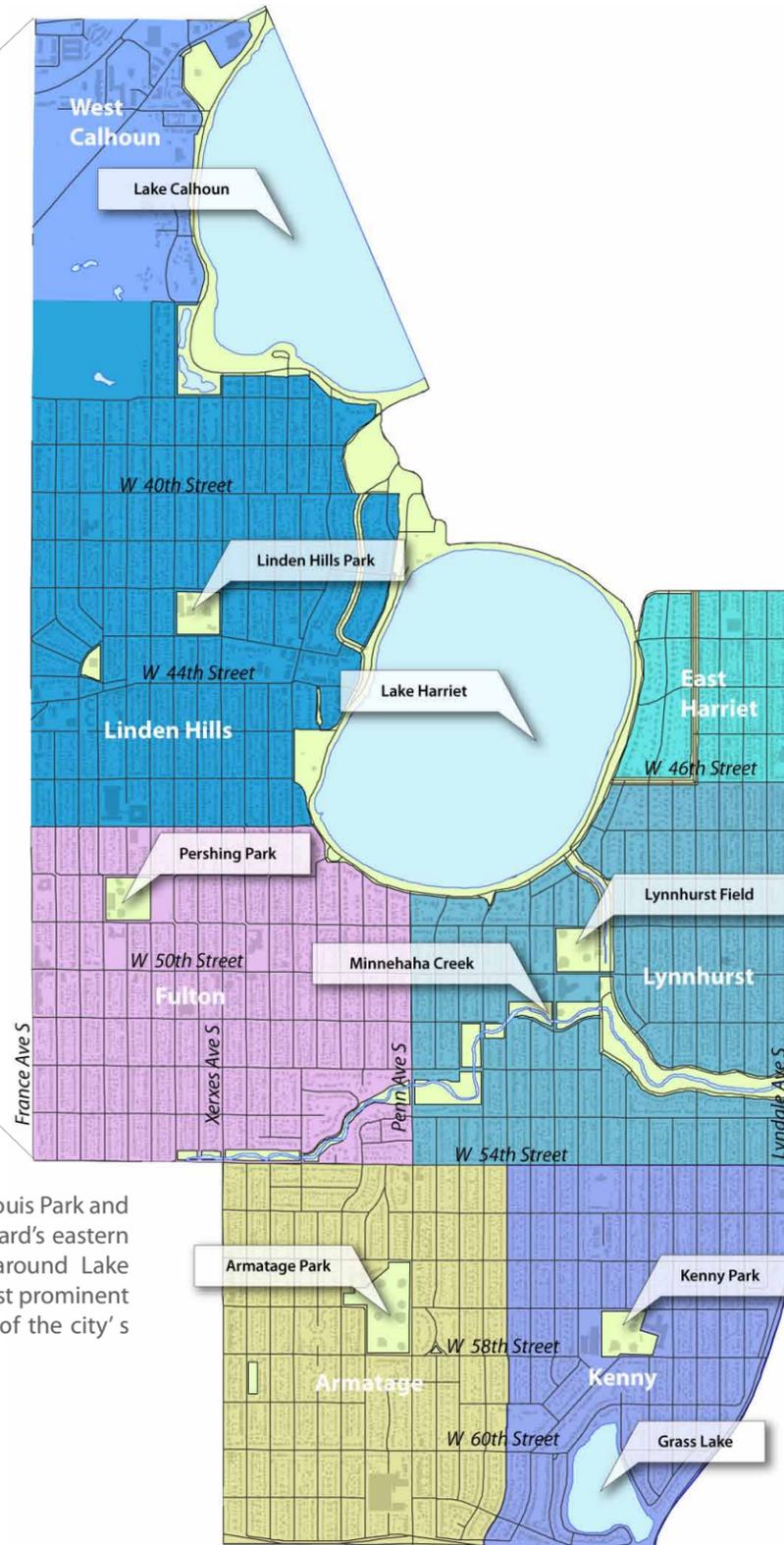
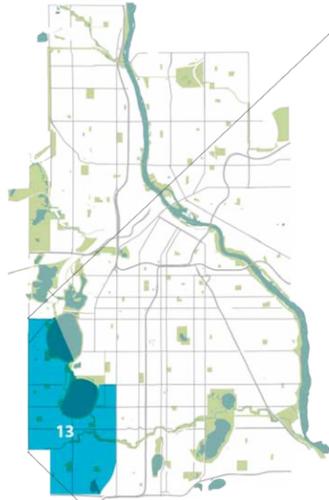
Every summer, **Lake Harriet** is host to many concerts in its castle-shaped Bandshell. Music has been a part of the lake since the first pavilion was built on the property of Thomas Lowry in 1888. The bandshell stood on the edge of Lake Harriet until 1891 when it was destroyed by fire. After the fire, Minneapolis hired Architect Harry Jones to design the next bandshell. The "Pagoda Pavilion" overlooked the lake until 1903 when it was destroyed by fire. Another Bandshell, again designed by Harry Jones was built in 1904 but was destroyed on July 8, 1925 in a windstorm. A new bandshell was erected in 1927 and remained until 1985 when the modern bandshell was built.

During the fall of 2006, construction of a new patio and picnic shelter built to match the design of the original buildings was begun next to the concessions. Construction of the new building and picnic area have been completed.

Lake Harriet Bandshell in Spring

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## Context



**Ward 13** is bordered to the West by Edina and St. Louis Park and to the North by Ward 7. Lyndale Ave marks the ward's eastern boundary. Ward 13's geography is organized around Lake Harriet, Lake Calhoun and Minnehaha Creek, its most prominent bodies of water. The ward is also home to some of the city's most active parks and recreation areas.

Neighborhood Communities:

- Linden Hills
- Fulton
- Armatage
- Lynn Hurst
- East Harriet
- Kenny
- West Calhoun



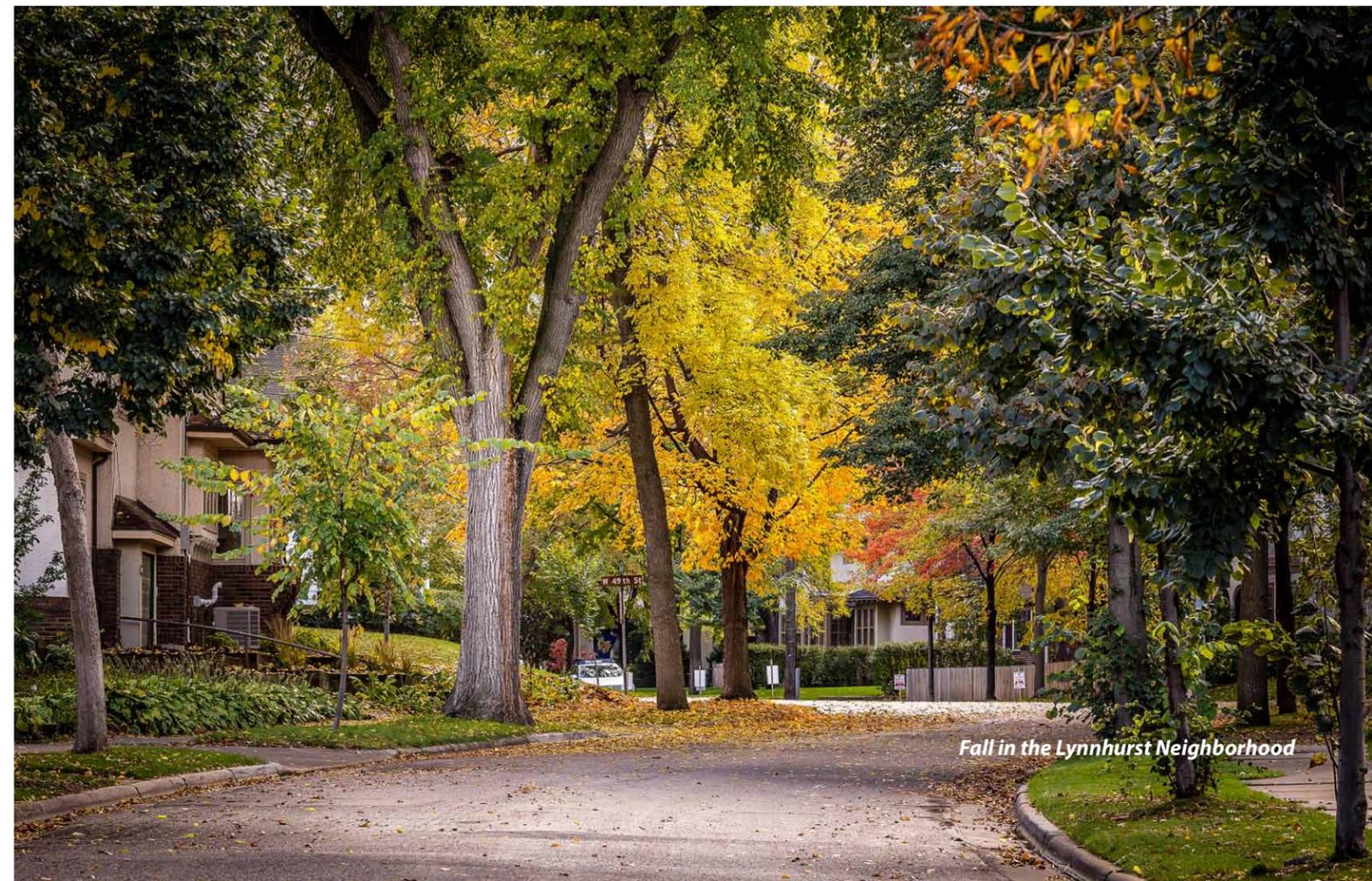
Wild Rumpus Bookstore



Heron on Minnehaha Creek



Storefronts in Linden Hills

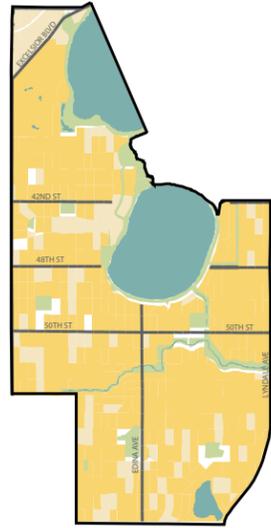


Fall in the Lynn Hurst Neighborhood

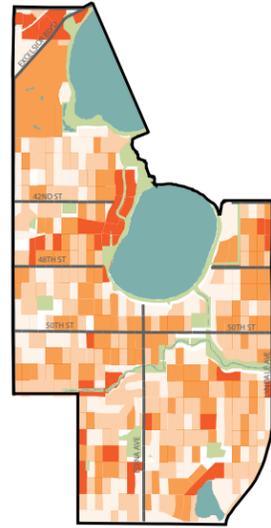
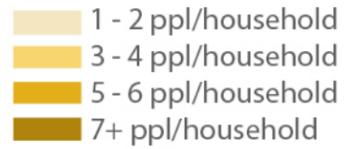
# Ward 13

## Population\*

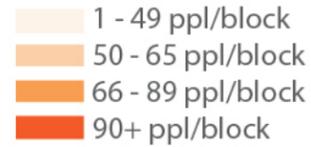
\* Population, Housing, Age and Race/Ethnicity data is collected from the 2010 census conducted by the US census bureau. Income, Education and Employment data is collected from the 5 year American Community Survey summary data for the years 2008-2013.



Average Household Size per Census Block



Total Population per Census Block



Housing: Average Household Size (Minneapolis)



Housing: Average Household Size (Ward 13)



Average household size is 0.32 people more than the rest of the city

Population: Average Population by Census Block (Minneapolis)



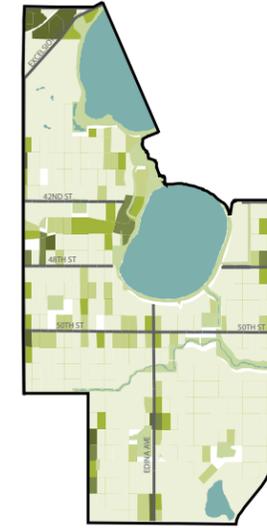
Population: Average Population by Census Block (Ward 13)



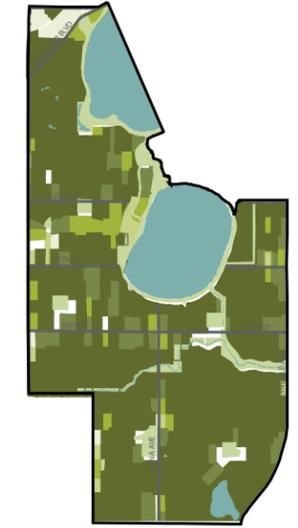
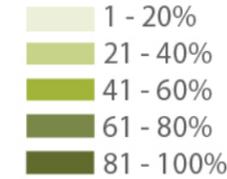
Average block population is 7.48 people less than the rest of the city

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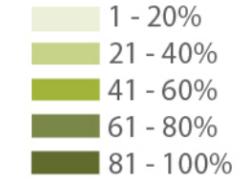
## Housing



Renter Occupied Units as a Percent of Total Units Per Census Block



Owner Occupied Units as a Percent of Total Units Per Census Block



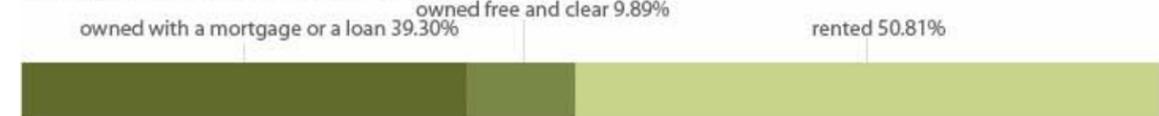
Housing: Vacant vs. Occupied (Minneapolis)



Housing: Vacant vs. Occupied (Ward 13)



Housing: Owned vs. Rented Units (Minneapolis)



Housing: Owned vs. Rented Units (Ward 13)



27.76% higher rate of home ownership, compared to the rest of the city

# Ward 13

## Historic Como - Harriet Streetcar Line



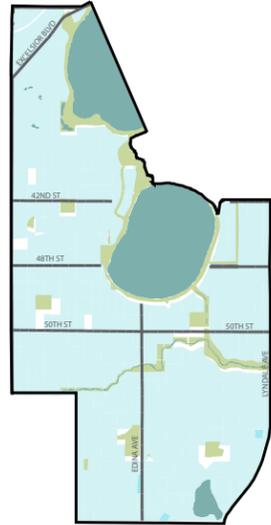
**The Como-Harriet Streetcar Line (CHSL)** is a heritage streetcar line in Minneapolis, Minnesota which follows original streetcar right-of-way between Lake Harriet and Lake Calhoun and is operated by the Minnesota Streetcar Museum. The heritage line was originally developed in the 1970s by the Minnesota Transportation Museum which spun off streetcar operations in the winter of 2004-2005.

The original streetcar station at Linden Hills was built one block north of the intersection of Queen Ave and 42nd Street in 1900. As time progressed TCRT desired to make Lake Harriet an entertainment destination in an effort to increase recreational ridership. At this time they built the original Lake Harriet Bandshell and began sponsoring concerts at the lake. Because of the larger crowds being drawn to the lake there was a need for a larger station and in 1914 a larger chalet-style structure replaced the original building, which was moved closer to the lake and used for other purposes. The chalet station existed until 1954 when streetcar operations ceased at which time it was torn down.

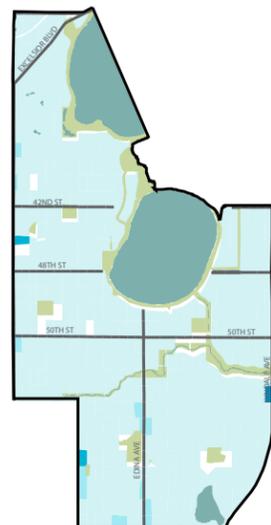
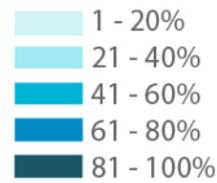
By the time the Minnesota Transportation Museum began construction of the heritage line all that remained was the concrete slab used as a platform for loading and unloading passengers. In 1990, the Museum built a recreation based on the smaller original Linden Hills Station. Today the station is used for purchasing tokens to ride the streetcars, souvenirs, and contains displays of Twin City Lines History.

# Ward 13

## Race + Ethnicity



People Identifying as Hispanic or Latino as a Percent of Total Units Per Census Block



People Identifying as Black or African American Only as a Percent of Total Units Per Census Block



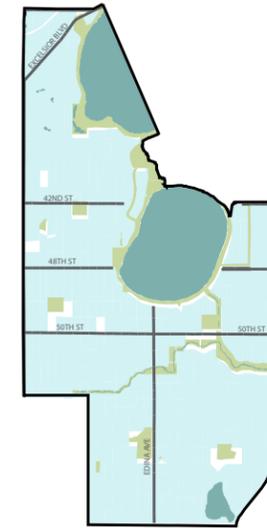
Race and Ethnicity (Minneapolis)



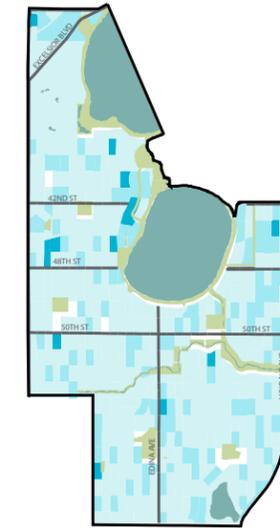
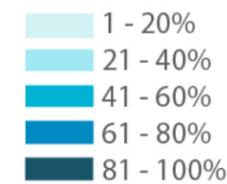
Race and Ethnicity (Ward 13)



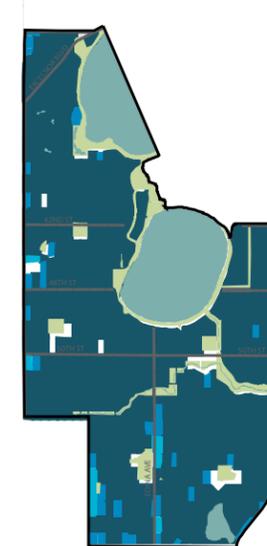
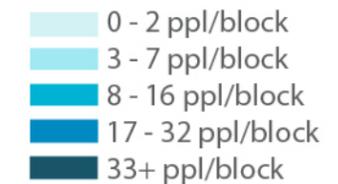
27.86% higher white population, compared to the rest of the city



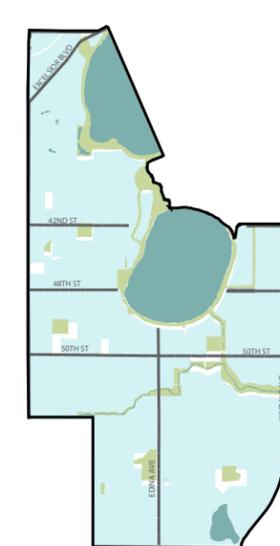
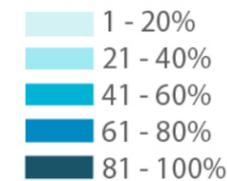
People Identifying as American Indian or Alaska Native Only as a Percent of Total Units Per Census Block



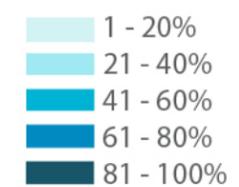
People Identifying as Two or More Races as a Count Per Census Block



People Identifying as White Only as a Percent of Total Units Per Census Block



People Identifying as Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander Only as a Percent of Total Units Per Census Block



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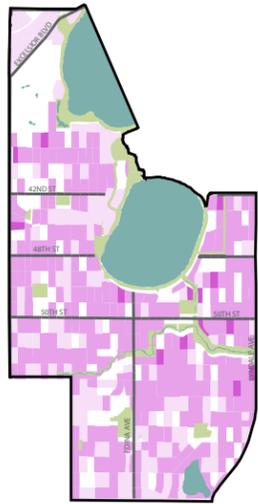
*Linden Hills Library*



**Linden Hills Library** is a public library in the Linden Hills neighborhood of southwest Minneapolis. The branch library originally opened in 1911 on the first floor of the Lake Harriet Commercial Club building. In 1931, under the leadership of Minneapolis Public Library's chief librarian Gratia Countryman, the library moved into its own building on 2900 West 43rd Street. Area resident Joseph Victor Vanderbilt designed the library in the Tudor Revival style. Head librarian Edith Frost served for over thirty years. The library has also hosted community groups such as children's clubs, neighborhood groups, and women's organizations. The library was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 2000 and renovated in 2002.

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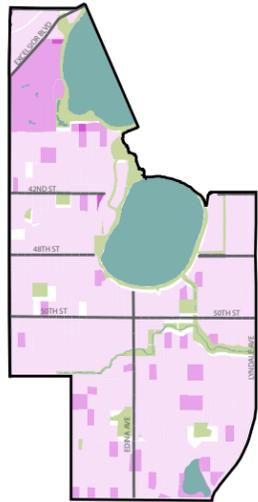
## Age



Population 20 Years and Younger as a Percent of Total Units Per Census Block



Population Age 21 - 64 as a Percent of Total Units Per Census Block



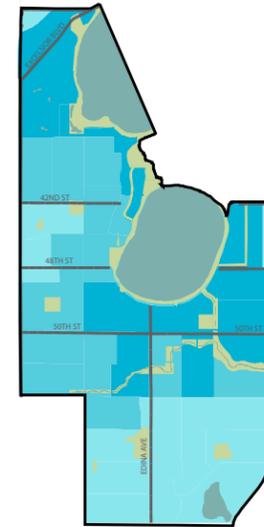
Population Age 65+ as a Percent of Total Units Per Census Block



Population: Age Groups (Ward 13)

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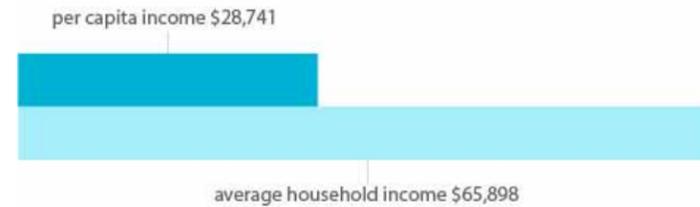
## Income



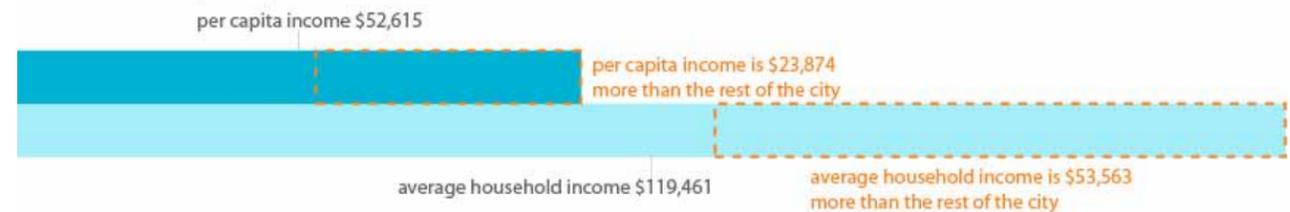
Mean Per Capita Income



2014 Income Levels (Minneapolis)\*



2014 Income Levels (Ward 13)\*



\*Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2010, Esri forecast for 2014

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## Lake Harriet

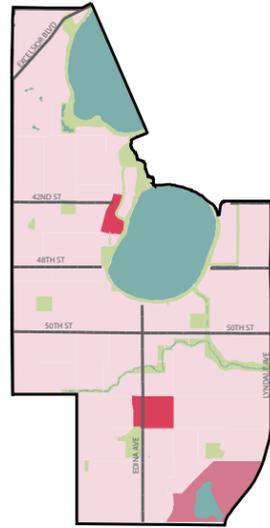
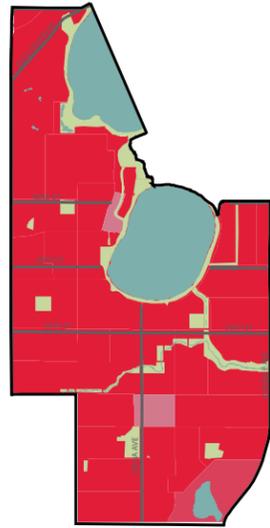
*Lake Harriet is a lake in the southwest part of Minneapolis, just south of Lake Calhoun and north of Minnehaha Creek. The lake is surrounded by parkland as part of the Minneapolis Chain of Lakes. The lake has an area of 335 acres (1.36 sq km) and a maximum depth of 85 feet (26 m).*

*Lake Harriet is very popular for recreation. It offers sailing, two beaches, and a system of bike and pedestrian trails (about 3.05 miles (4.91 km) for the bike trail and 2.95 miles (4.75 km) for the pedestrian trail). The trail and parkway system, part of the Grand Rounds Scenic Byway, connects with Lake Calhoun on the north end via William Berry Parkway and with the Minnehaha Creek trail system on the southeast corner.*

*Other parkland near the lake includes a picnic ground just north of the bandshell, Lyndale Park, and the Thomas Sadler Roberts bird sanctuary on the northeast corner of the lake. Located adjacent to the bird sanctuary is the tranquil Peace Garden, and across the street is a large garden featuring many varieties of roses. Lakewood Cemetery is located between the southeast corner of Lake Calhoun and the north shoreline of Lake Harriet.*

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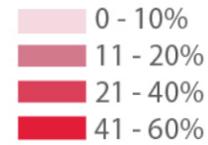
## Employment



Percentage of Employed Population within the Labor Force



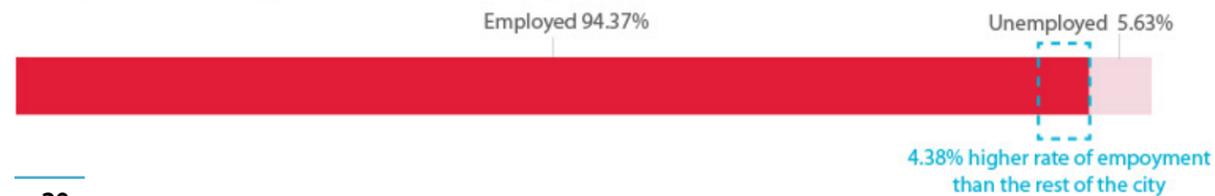
Percentage of Unemployed Population within the Labor Force



Employment as a Percentage of Civil Labor Force (Minneapolis)

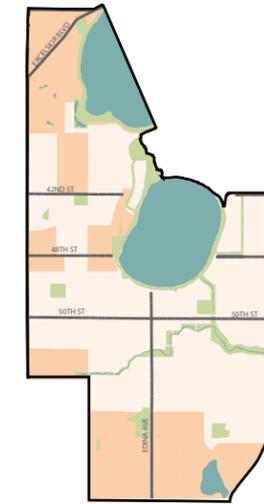
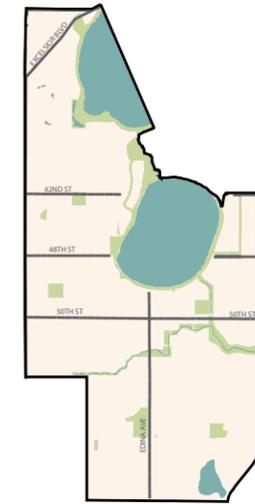


Employment as a Percentage of Civil Labor Force (Ward 13)



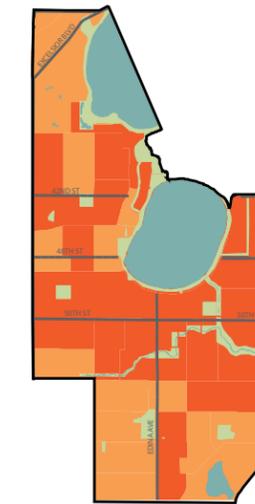
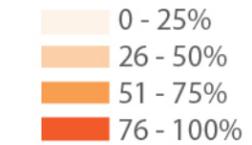
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## Education



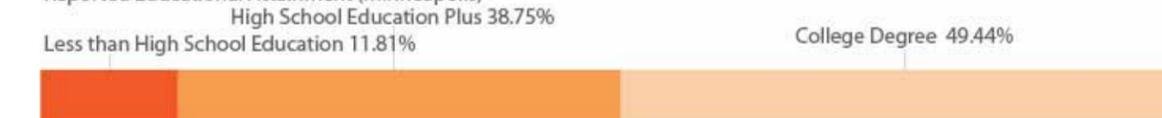
Percentage of Population of Block Group with Less than a High School Education

Percentage of Population of Block Group with a High School Education and Some College

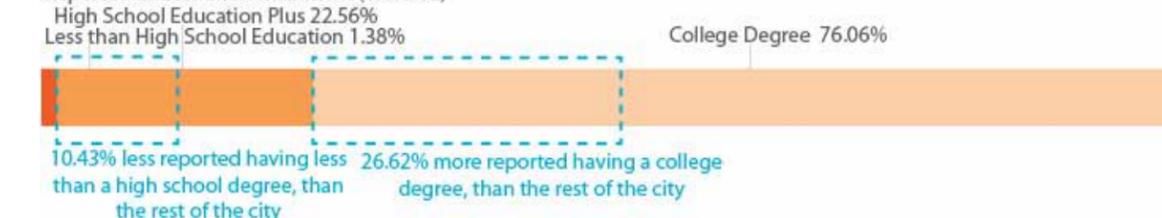


Percentage of Population of Block Group with a College Degree

Reported Educational Attainment (Minneapolis)



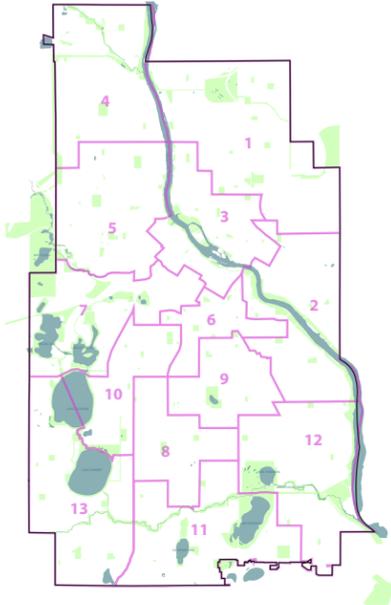
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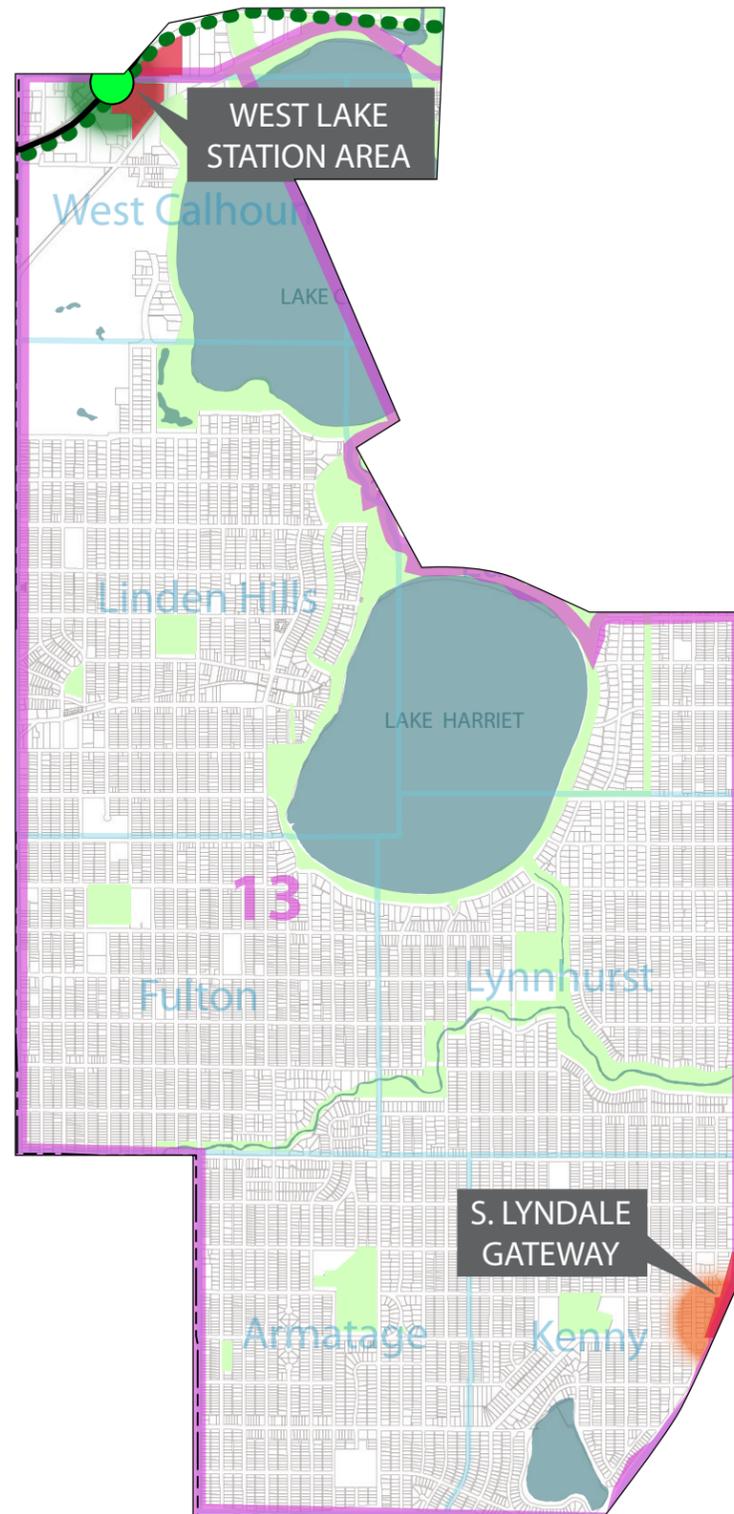
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## Opportunity Sites

### CITYWIDE WARDS



- KEY**
- Minneapolis City Council Wards
  - City of Minneapolis Neighborhoods
  - Minneapolis Park and Recreation property
  - Light Rail Transit Lines and Stations
  - Bus Rapid Transit (Orange Line)
  - Near Term Opportunity Area
  - Long Term Opportunity Area
  - Near Term Opportunity Corridor
  - Long Term Opportunity Corridor
  - City Priority Opportunity Area
  - Potential Large Development Opportunity (Large site area with 5 or less property owners)



### West Lake Station Area

The West Lake Street Station Area on the future extension to the Green Line (SWLRT) presents an opportunity to transform nearly 15 acres of auto oriented commercial development into a mixed-use, pedestrian-friendly activity center with opportunities for housing, retail, and employment. The auto oriented development is supported by transportation infrastructure that prioritizes automobiles over pedestrians and bicycling. In 2014 the Pedestrian Advisory Committee identified the intersection of West Lake Street, Excelsior Boulevard and Market Plaza as a priority for CIP funding. The West Lake Street Station Area is in amenity rich area that has had and continues to have significant development interest. In 2012, the MPRB has envisioned alterations to the northwest end of Lake Calhoun Parkway to accommodate the growing sailing activities on Lake Calhoun and as well as some new opportunities to support visitors in new buildings and structures. (See page 10 of drawings.) In 2013, Hennepin County led the development of the Investment Framework. The Investment Framework identified infrastructure needs based on the future operation of LRT and anticipated development interest. For more information, see the Midtown Greenway Land Use and Development Plan .



### South Lyndale Ave

In 2006 the City Council adopted the South Lyndale Corridor Master Plan. One of the major opportunities identified in the plan was a turnback of Trunk Highway 121 to local control that connected Lyndale Avenue at 56th Street to Highway 62. The turnback would allow for the road width to be reduced and realigned allowing for significant redevelopment opportunities. Further property title investigation since the plan's adoption have identified challenges to near-term realization as the underlying ownership of the land below the highway is in private ownership not public ownership. It is believed that this area presents a strong future opportunity, when other more near-term opportunities have been realized. Work in the near-term should be focused at further investigating opportunities and understanding the desires of some of the major stakeholders. This parcel is technically located in Ward 11.



# Ward 13

## Capital Improvement 2015-2019

### LEGEND

- BIK20** BIKE
- SWK01** SIDEWALK
- BR101** BRIDGE
- PV001** PARKWAY
- PV006** PAVING
- PV056** RESURFACING
- PV061** HIGH VOLUME RESURFACING
- PV074** CSAH
- TR008** TRAFFIC
- SW004** CSO
- SW011** TUNNEL
- SA001** SANITARY SEWER
- SA036** I & I REMOVAL
- WTR12** WATER



### Capital Improvement Plan\*

The City of Minneapolis Capital Improvement Plan is the 5-year strategic investment plan for infrastructure improvements. It includes projects ranging from traffic and safety improvements to street lighting updates to repaving and complete street reconstruction.

Recently completed investments for Ward 13 include sealcoating of Xerxes Ave S from 50th St to Lake Calhoun Parkway and the repaving of Penn Ave S. 54th St W will be repaved in 2016.

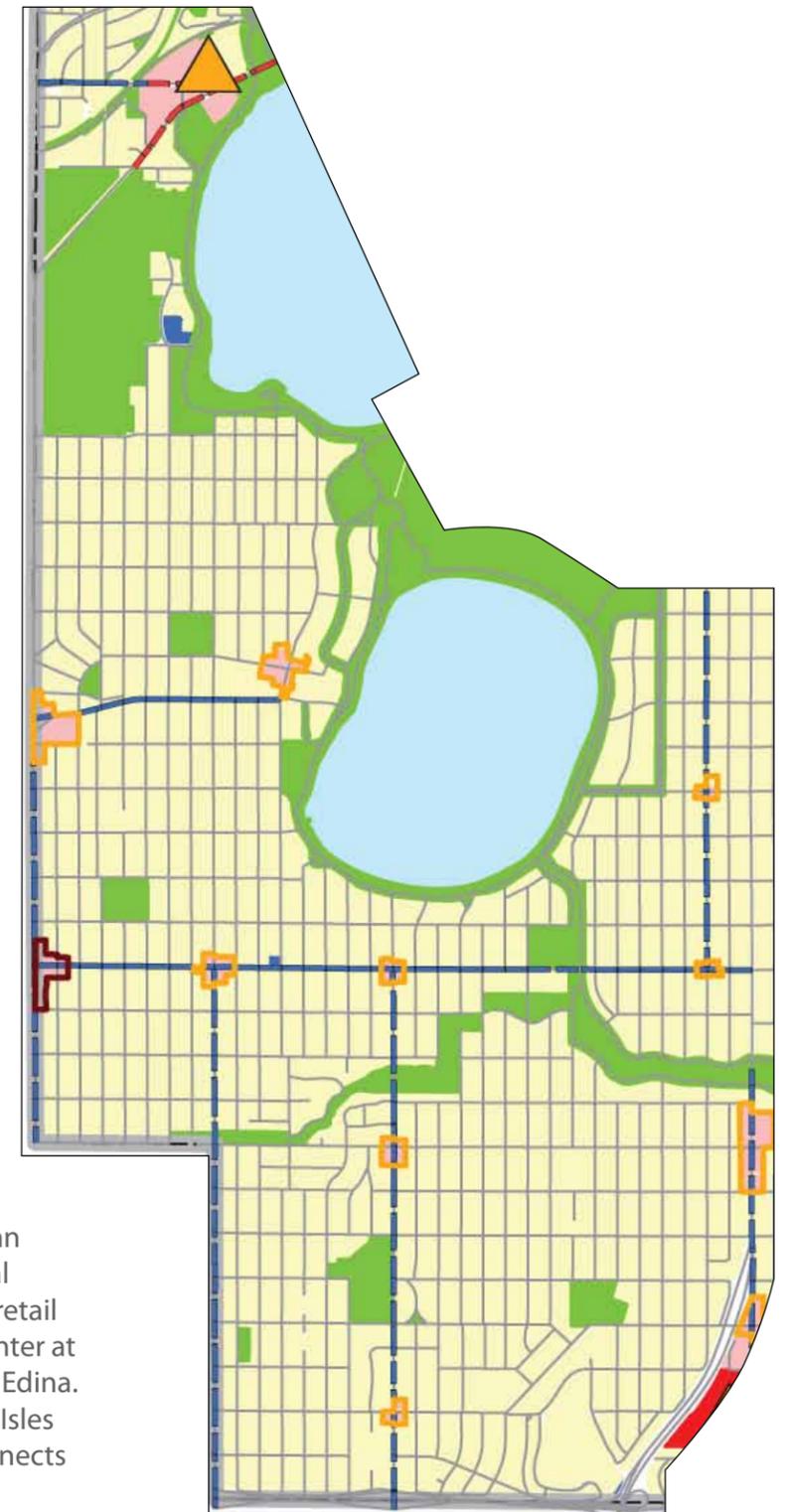
\*For more detailed project information consult the full City of Minneapolis CIP map at <http://www.minneapolismn.gov/cip/>

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## Land Use Features

### Legend

- Transit Station
- Growth Center
- Major Retail Center
- Activity Center
- Neighborhood Commercial Node
- Industrial Employment District
- Commercial Corridor
- Community Corridor
- Centerline
- Urban Neighborhood
- Mixed Use
- Commercial
- Public and Institutional
- Transitional Industrial
- Industrial
- Parks and Open Space
- Water



### Land Use Features\*

Ward 13 is largely defined by single family urban neighborhood land uses with small commercial nodes as major intersections. There is a major retail center at West Lake Calhoun and an activity center at 50th St W and France Ave S on the border with Edina. The area around Lake Calhoun and Lake of the Isles is dedicated to parkway and park uses and connects to the Grand Rounds Scenic Byway.

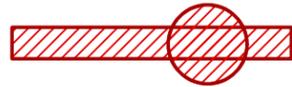
\*For more detailed information on Future Land Use consult the **Minneapolis Plan for Sustainable Growth** online at : [http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/cped/planning/plans/cped\\_plans](http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/cped/planning/plans/cped_plans)

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## City Investments 2014

### Long Range Planning

#### Art in Public Places Projects



#### Housing Development and Policy

##### Multi-Family Housing Financing

1st quarter 2nd quarter 3rd quarter 4th quarter



##### Single Family Housing Financing



#### Business Development

##### Business Finance Loans

1st quarter 2nd quarter 3rd quarter 4th quarter



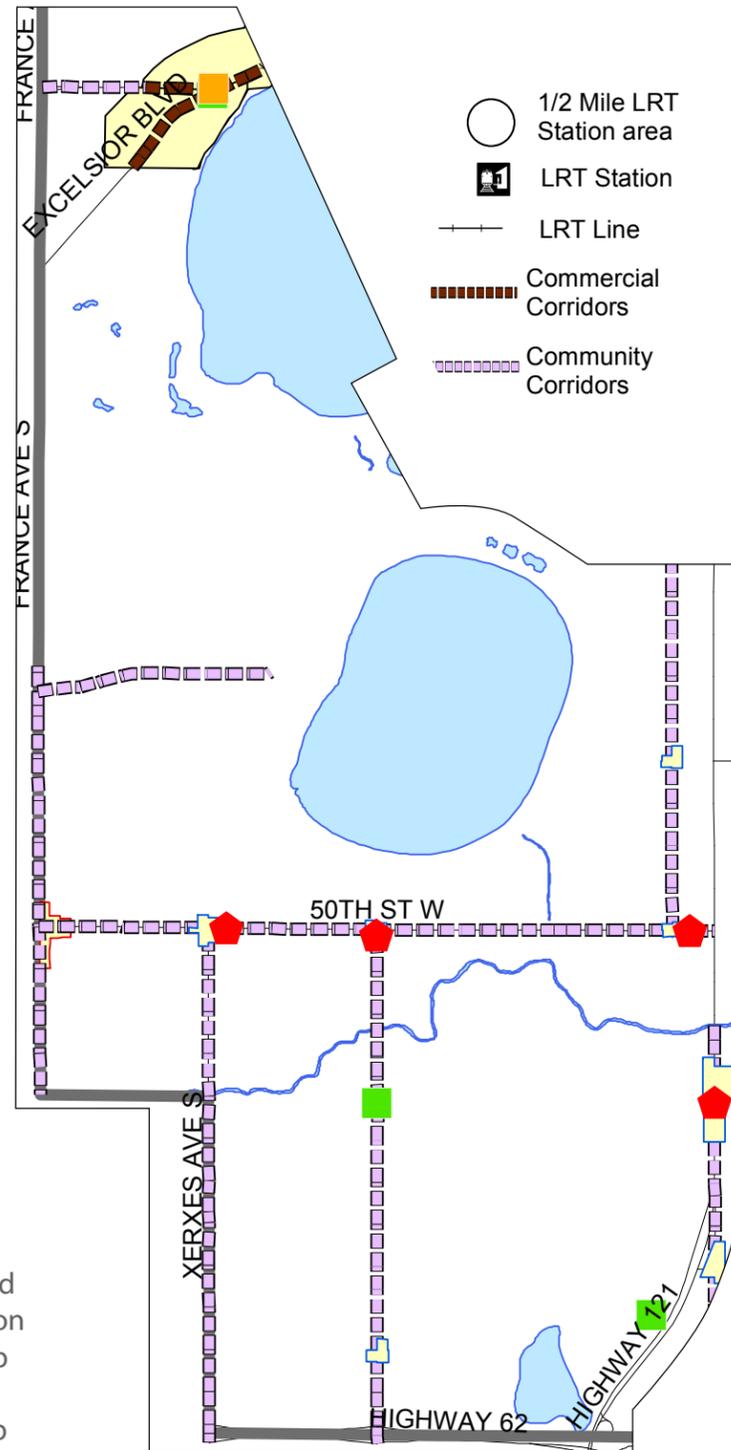
##### Facade Matching Grants



##### Redevelopment Grants



##### Great Streets Business District Support Grants



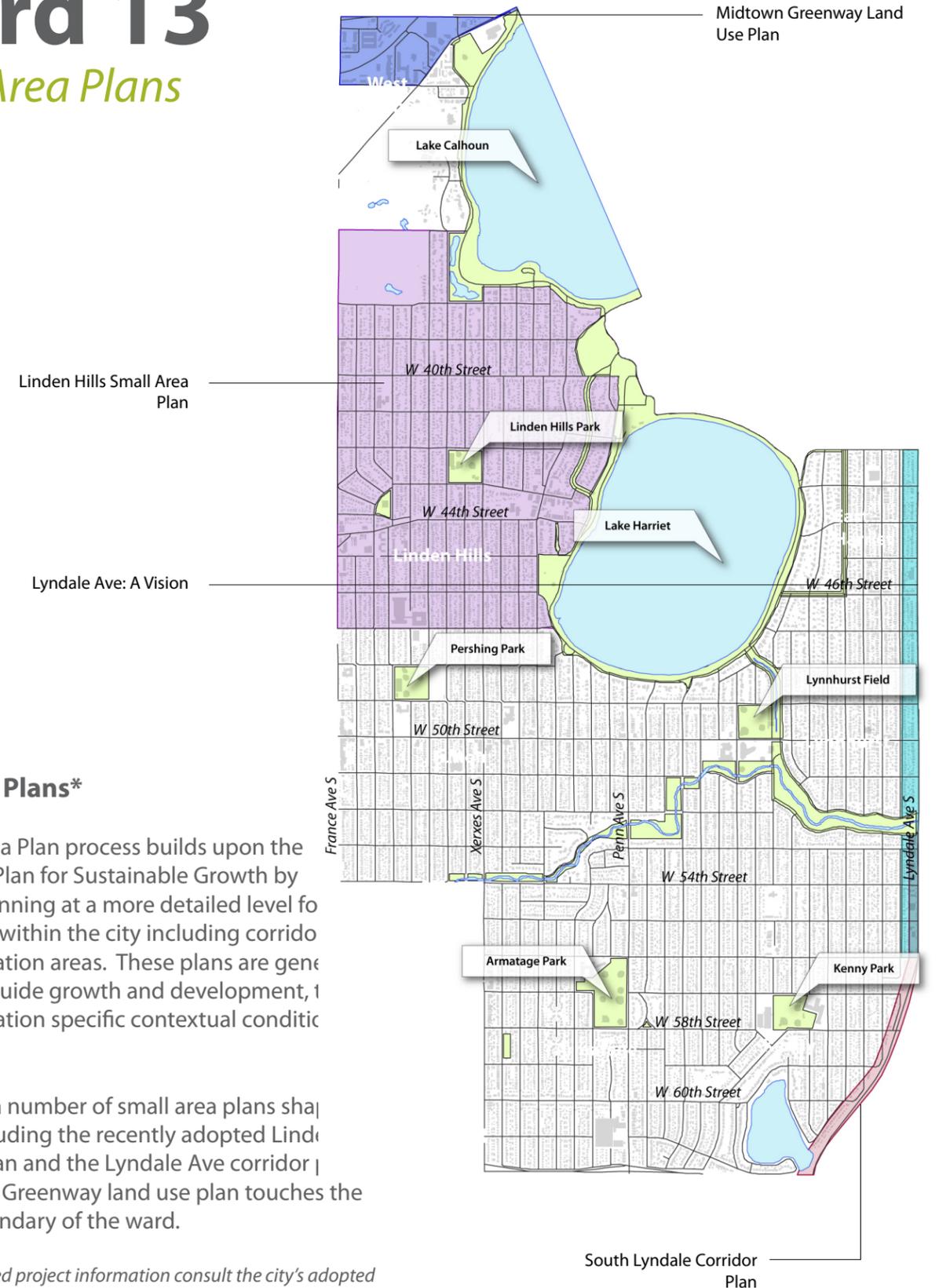
### CPED Investments\*

CPED administers a number of programs to support housing and business development in the city. Funds are targeted to meet City goals and priorities, including development and preservation of affordable mixed-income rental and ownership housing, business development and expansion, business district support, and public art. This map shows the distribution of CPED program investments made in 2014.

\*For more detailed project information consult the city's adopted plans website at: [http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/cped/planning/plans/cped\\_plans](http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/cped/planning/plans/cped_plans)

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## Small Area Plans



### Small Area Plans\*

The Small Area Plan process builds upon the Minneapolis Plan for Sustainable Growth by providing planning at a more detailed level for smaller areas within the city including corridor and transit station areas. These plans are generally intended to guide growth and development, and take into consideration specific contextual conditions and information.

Ward 13 has a number of small area plans shaping its future including the recently adopted Linden Hills Small Area Plan and the Lyndale Ave corridor plan. The Midtown Greenway land use plan touches the northern boundary of the ward.

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