



# Mapping Vacant Properties

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# Blight Index Pilot Project

- Framed study based on one from the City of Mobile, AL
- Collaborative Effort with CSU for GIS interns
- Configured application using ArcGIS collector app
- Project was to collect data on vacant properties in Midtown

The screenshot shows the ArcGIS Collector app interface. At the top, there are three buttons: 'Cancel', 'Collect', and 'Submit'. Below this is a 'Point layer' section with a red dot icon, the text 'Point layer', and coordinates '32.464490°N 84.986590°W'. There are two buttons: 'Take Photo' and 'Attach'. Below this is a list of fields with right-pointing chevrons:

- Vacant Lot \*
- Vacant Structure \*
- Unsecured \*
- Boarded Up \*
- Broken Windows \*
- Utilities Disconnected \*
- Water Damage \*

# Midtown

- Large area with established neighborhoods
- Is apart of 5 different City Council districts
- The area is home to various social & economic backgrounds



## MidTown Neighborhoods, Parks & Schools

TOTAL AREA - 6 SQUARE MILES

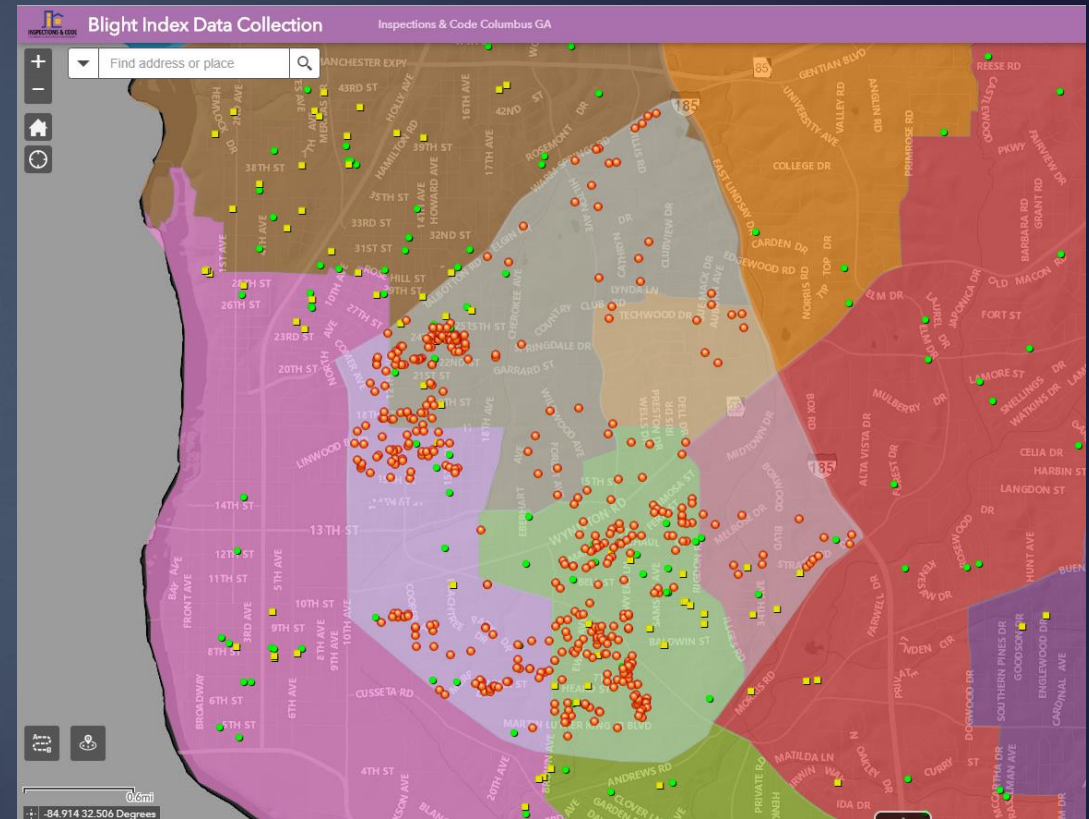


- Schools**
- 1 Thomas H. Brewer Elementary
  - 2 G.W. Carver High School
  - 3 Clubview Elementary
  - 4 Columbus High School
  - 5 J.D. Davis Elementary
  - 6 Lyda Hannan Academy
  - 7 Hardaway High School
  - 8 Richards Middle School
  - 9 Rigdon Road Elementary
  - 10 St. Elmo Center for the Gifted
  - 11 Rainey-McCullers School of the Arts
  - 12 Wynnton Arts Academy
- Parks**
- A Lakebottom/Weracoba Park
  - B Linwood-Tillis Park
  - C Dinglewood Park
  - D Little Wildwood Park
  - E Vietnam Veterans Memorial Park
  - F Boxwood Park
  - G Theo McGee Park
  - H Ewart/South Lawyers Lane Park
- Recreation Centers**
- I Michael Fluellen Recreation Center
  - II Marianna Gallops Senior Center
  - III Ardahlia Mack Recreation Center



# Going Out in the Field

- <https://ccg.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=53e787039ce9424f852f510864cbbff6>







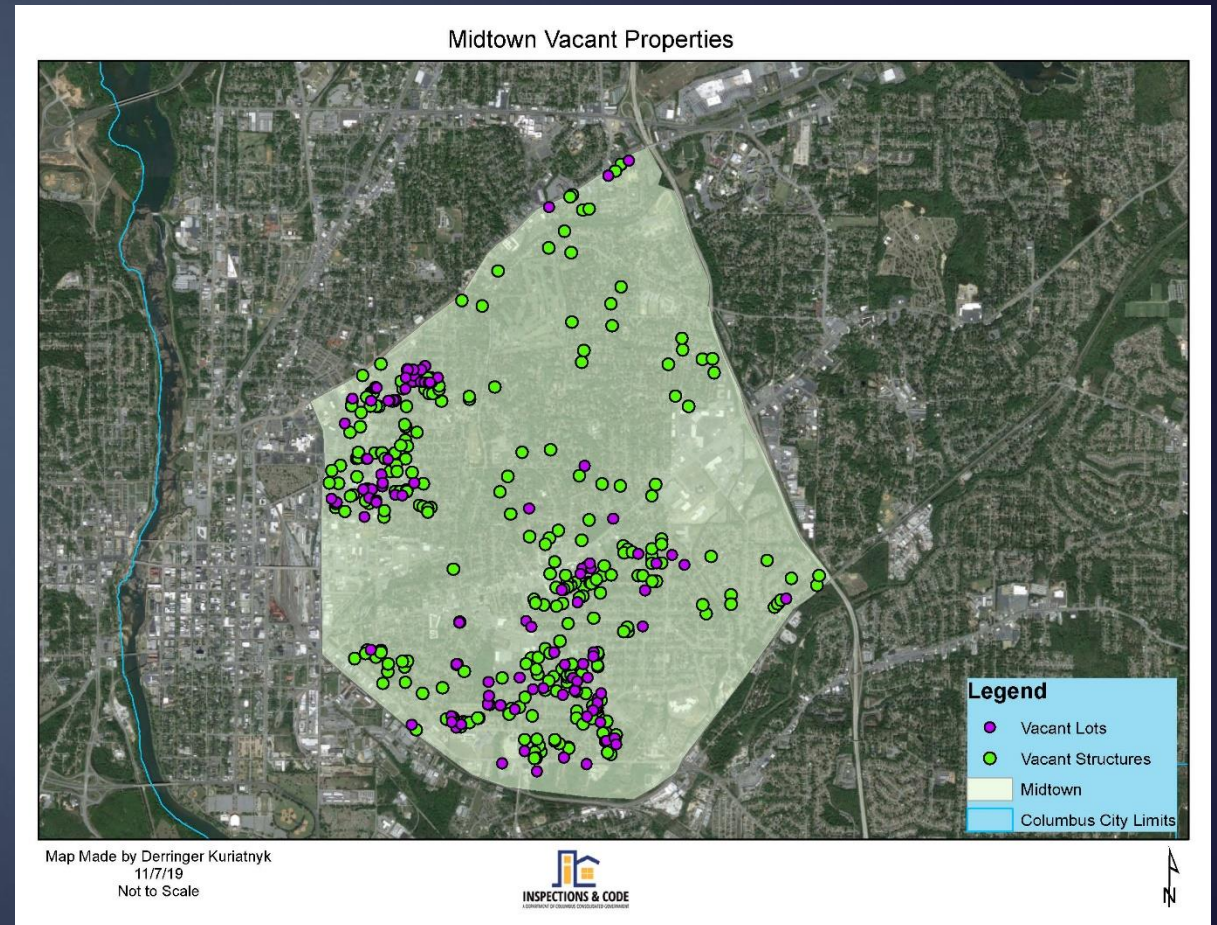






# What we discovered

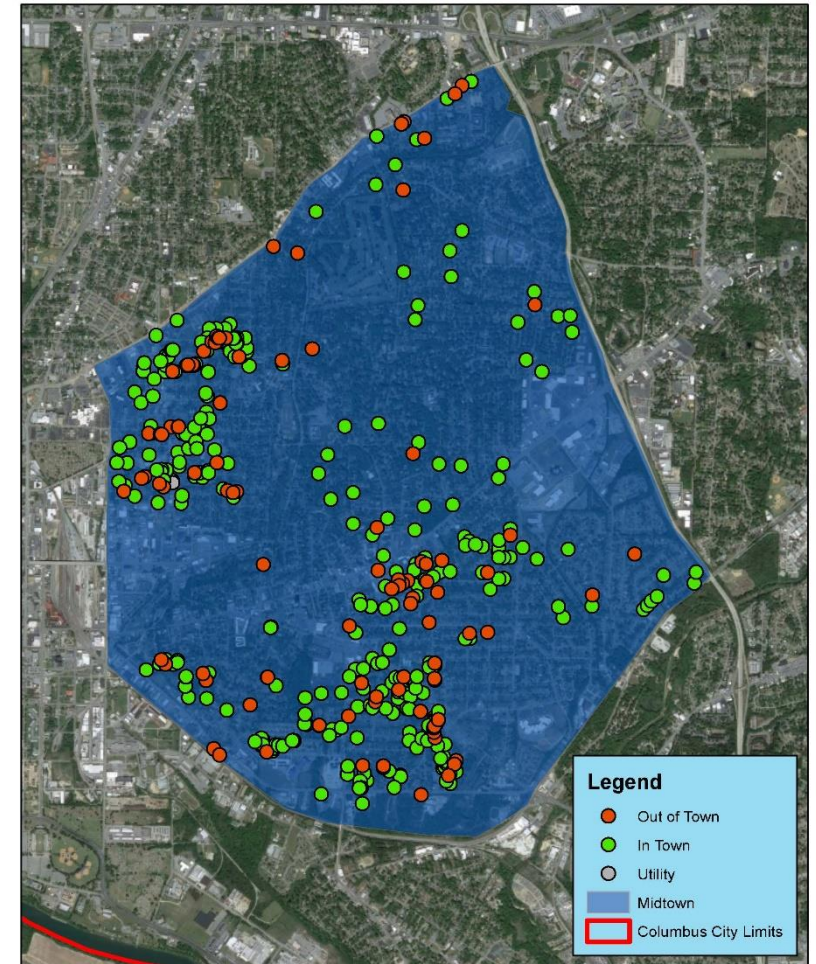
- 292 Vacant Structures
- 103 Vacant Lots



# What we discovered

- 292 are owned by In-Town Owners (i.e., Columbus, Midland, Fort Benning, Upatoi, & Fortson)
- 101 are owned by Out-of-Town Owners
- 2 are Utility Company-Owned

Midtown Data Collection: In Town and Out of Town Owners



Map Made By Kevin Fabery  
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Not to Scale





We do amazing.



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