

Meeting: Equity Strategy Advisory Committee

Date: Wednesday, July 31, 2013

Time: 2 to 5 p.m., reception to follow (Davis Street Tavern)

Place: White Stag Building, Wayne Morse Suite, 70 NW Couch St, Portland, OR 97209

Purpose: Introduction to Metro; Understanding of Advisory Committee roles and responsibilities

and work program.

Attendees: Equity Strategy Advisory Committee; Equity Strategy Steering Committee; Councilor

Sam Chase; Councilor Shirley Craddick; Martha Bennett, COO; Scott Robinson, Deputy

COO; Nuin-Tara Key, Metro; Neighborhood Partnerships (Janet Byrd)

Welcome and introductions 35 minutes

Metro overview 25 minutes

Presentation

Q & A

Program overview and work plan 30 minutes

Work plan overview

Q & A

Break 10 minutes

Group discussion 60 minutes

What personal values bring you to this work?

• What does this work mean to you?

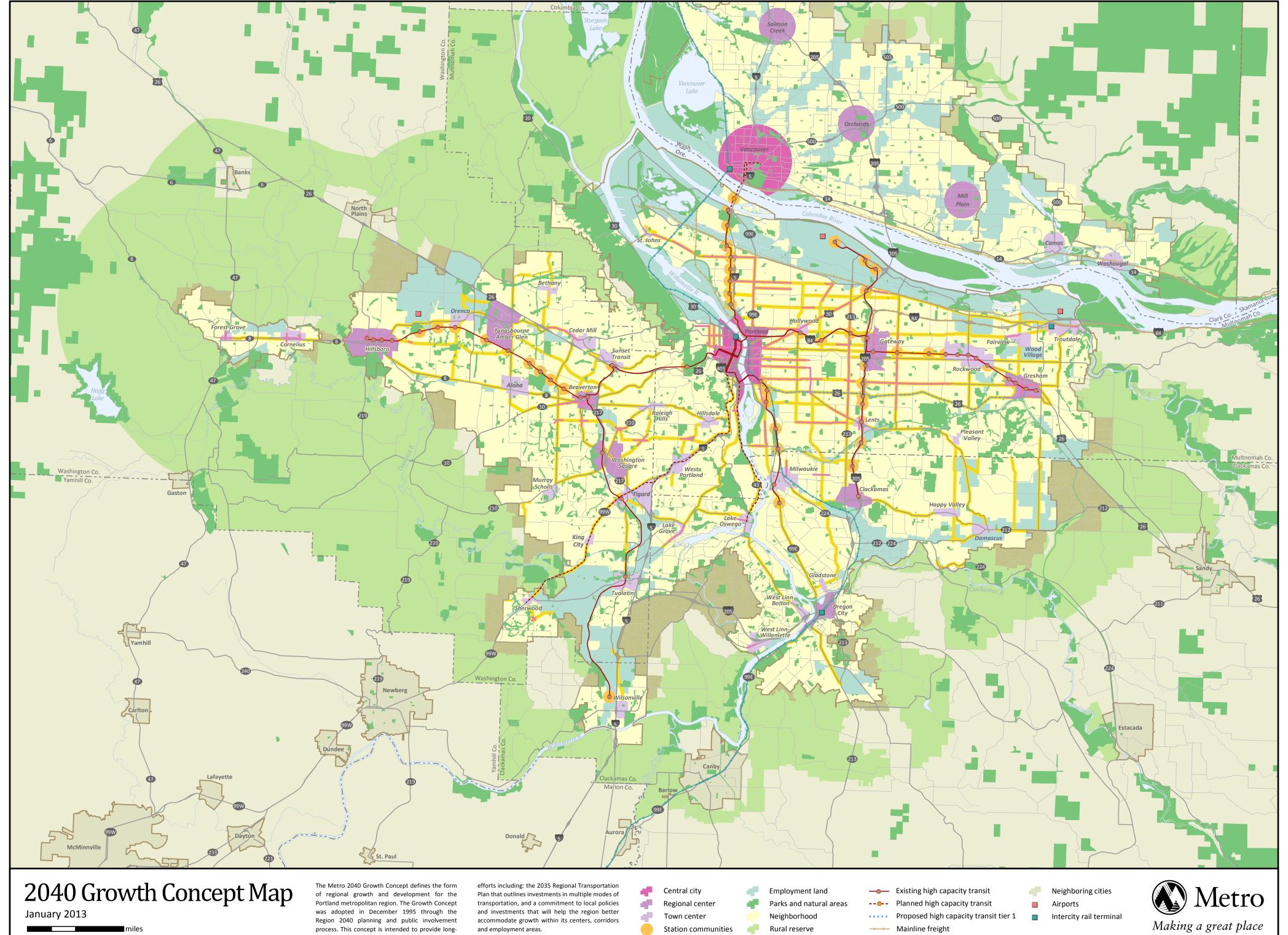
• What do you hope to get from this effort?

Introduction to communication framing (Neighborhood Partnerships) 15 minutes

Next steps 5 minutes

Reception (5-6pm)

Davis Street Tavern 500 NW Davis St Portland, OR 97209



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process. This concept is intended to provide longterm growth management of the region.

The map highlights elements of parallel planning

and employment areas.

For more information on these initiatives, visit http://www.oregonmetro.gov/2040

Station communities Main streets Corridors

Rural reserve Urban reserve Urban growth boundaries High speed rail

— - - · County boundaries

Understanding the 2040 Growth Concept map

The 2040 Growth Concept map shows different design types. The design types, described here, are the "building blocks" of the regional strategy for managing growth.

Regional centers

thousands of people, regional centers become the focus of transit

and highway improvements. They

are characterized by two- to four-

story compact employment and

housing development served by

concept, there are eight regional

centers - Gateway serves central

Multnomah County; downtown

Hillsboro serves the western portion

of Washington County; downtown

Beaverton and Washington Square

serve Eastern Washington County;

Clackamas Town Center serve Clack-

amas County; downtown Gresham

serves the eastside of Multnomah

County; and downtown Vancouver,

downtown Oregon City and

Wash., serves Clark County.

As centers of

hundreds of

commerce and

local government

services serving a market area of



Central city



Downtown Portland serves as the hub of business and cultural activity in the region. It has the most

intensive form of development for both housing and employment, with high-rise development common in the central business district. Downtown Portland will continue to serve as the finance and commerce, government, retail, tourism, arts and high-quality transit. In the growth entertainment center for the region.





Town centers provide localized services to tens of thousands of people within a two- to three-mile

radius. Examples include small city centers such as Lake Oswego, Tualatin, West Linn, Forest Grove and Milwaukie and large neighborhood centers such as Hillsdale, St. Johns, Cedar Mill and Aloha. Oneto three-story buildings for employment and housing are characteristic. Town centers have a strong sense of community identity and are well served by transit.



Main streets



Similar to town centers, main streets have a traditional commercial identity but are on a smaller scale with a strong sense of the immedi-

ate neighborhood. Examples include Southeast Hawthorne in Portland, the Lake Grove area in Lake Oswego and the main street in Cornelius. Main streets feature good access to transit.



Corridors



Corridors are major streets that serve as key transportation routes for people and goods.

Examples of corridors include the Tualatin Valley Highway and 185th Avenue in Washington County, Powell Boulevard in Portland and Gresham and McLoughlin Boulevard in Clackamas County. Corridors are served extensively by transit.



Station communities



Station communities are areas of development centered around a light-rail or highcapacity-transit

station that feature a variety of shops and services that will remain accessible to bicyclists, pedestrians and transit users as well as cars.



Neighborhoods



Under the 2040 Growth Concept, most existing neighborhoods will remain largely the same. Some

redevelopment can occur so that vacant land or under-used buildings could be put to better use. New neighborhoods are likely to have an emphasis on smaller single-family lots, mixed uses and a mix of housing types including row houses and accessory dwelling units. The growth concept distinguishes between slightly more compact inner neighborhoods, and outer neighborhoods, with slightly larger lots and fewer street connections.



Neighboring cities/green corridors



Communities such as Sandy, Canby, Newberg and North Plains have a significant number of residents who work

or shop in the metropolitan area. Cooperation between Metro and these communities is critical to address common transportation and land-use issues. Neighboring cities are connected to the metro area by green corridor transportation routes.



Rural reserves/open spaces



An important component of the growth concept is the availability and designation of lands that will

remain undeveloped, both inside and outside the urban growth boundary. Rural reserves are lands outside the UGB that provide a visual and physical separation between urban areas and farm and forest lands. Open spaces include parks, stream and trail corridors, wetlands and floodplains.



Industrial areas and freight terminals



Serving as hubs for regional commerce, industrial land and freight facilities for truck,

marine, air and rail cargo provide the ability to generate and move goods in and out of the region. Access to these areas is centered on rail, the regional freeway system and key roadway connections. Keeping these connections strong is critical to maintaining a healthy regional economy.

Metro Equity Strategy Program Equity Strategy Advisory Committee Kick-off meeting July 31, 2013 Nuin-Tara Key, Program Manager Metro | Making a great place

Presentation outline

* Where we have been | Background

* Where we want to go | Overview of Equity Strategy Program (2013 – 2016)

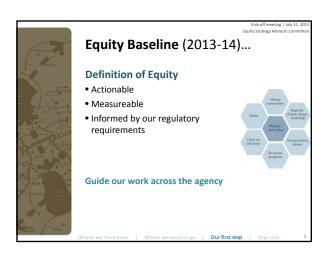
* Where to start | Equity Baseline (2013-14)

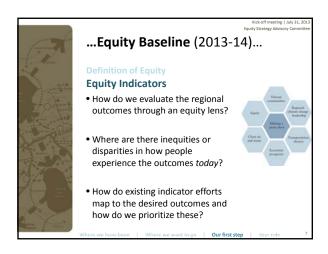
* Your role | Formal recommendations and communication guidance



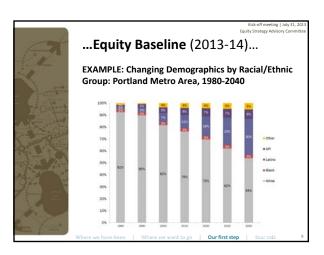




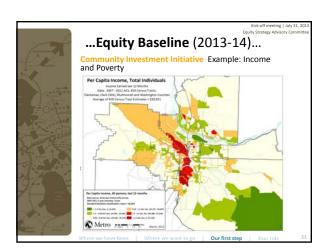


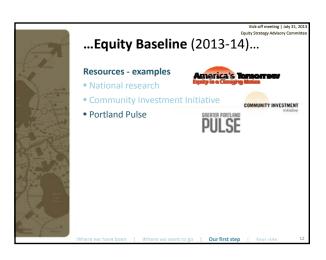


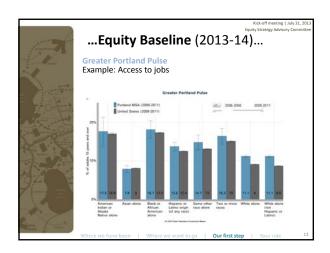




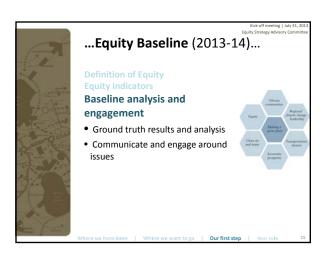


















Making a great place

As a regional government, Metro crosses city limits and county lines to work with communities to create a vibrant and sustainable region for all.







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Why regional governance?

As far back as the 1950s, Portland area civic leaders saw a need to provide region-wide planning and coordination to:

- manage pressing issues with growth, development and public structures that cross jurisdictional boundaries
- protect adjacent rural lands from urbanization
- provide services that are regional in nature



Metro's mission

Our mission is to inspire, engage, teach and invite people to preserve and enhance the quality of life and the environment for current and future generations.

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Cities and counties in Metro Region

Clackamas County Multnomah County Washington County

Beaverton Cornelius Damascus Durham Fairview Forest Grove Gladstone Gresham Happy Valley Hillsboro Johnson City King City Lake Oswego Maywood Park Milwaukie

Oregon City

Portland Rivergrove Sherwood Tigard Troutdale Tualatin West Linn Wilsonville Wood Village

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How Metro works with local governments

- Engage in development, implementation of regional land use and transportation plans
- Provide grants for natural area preservation, community enhancement, travel options
- Provide tools and technical assistance for implementation of local plans
- Coordinate distribution of federal transportation funds throughout the region
- Assist with implementation of regional recycling, waste reduction goals

Metro Policy Advisory Committee (MPAC)

- Created by Metro charter
- Local elected officials, TriMet, citizen representatives
- Advises Metro Council on land use policy decisions
- Meets second and fourth Wednesday of the month,
 5 to 7 p.m.



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Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT) Required by federal

- Required by federal transportation legislation
- Local elected officials, Metro Councilors, transportation officials
- Develops regional transportation priorities, funding strategies
- Meets second Thursday of the month, 7:30 to 9 a.m.



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Technical Advisory Committees

Metro Technical Advisory Committee (MTAC)

- Advisory committee to MPAC; meets twice a month
- Local planning directors, citizen and business representatives
- Engages with Metro staff on technical aspects of land use policy efforts

Transportation Policy Alternatives Committee (TPAC)

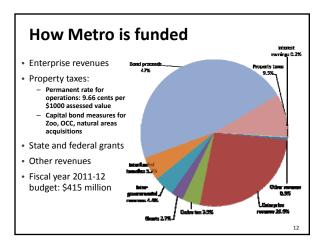
- Advisory committee to JPACT; meets once a month
- Consists of technical staff from local governments, citizen representatives
- Engages with Metro staff to coordinate, guide regional transportation planning program

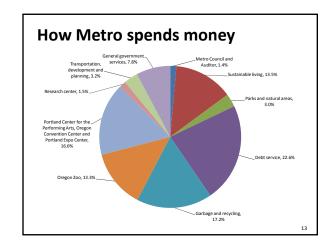


Governance structure

- Seven elected Councilors
 - Council President is elected region-wide
 - Six Councilors elected by districts
- Auditor elected region-wide
- Chief Operating Officer reports to Council, manages agency operations











Garbage and recycling



Metro oversees the region's recycling and garbage services, helping prevent, reuse, recycle or compost 58 percent of the region's waste in 2010.



Parks and natural areas



From Oxbow Regional Park to Chinook Landing to Smith and Bybee Wetlands, Metro welcomes more than half a million visitors to its parks each year.

Metro manages more than 14,000 acres of land and 100 miles of river and stream banks.

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Planning...



- 2040 growth concept
- Urban Growth Boundary (UGB)
- Urban and rural reserves
- Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)

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Community Investment



- Invest in safe, livable communities
- Promote economic development and good jobs
- Protect our natural areas

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Maps and data



Metro's Research Center offers stateof-the-art mapping, modeling and analysis used to guide regional discussions around the future of the region.

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Defining a successful region

Our collective efforts are focused on achieving the following six outcomes:

- Vibrant communities
- Sustained economic competitiveness and prosperity
- Safe and reliable transportation choices
- Reduced contributions to global warming
- Clean air and water, healthy ecosystems
- Benefits and burdens of growth shared equitably

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Questions?

Thank you!

Models of Inequality

Barrier

"We have a political system whose agenda has been to <u>pave the way</u> for lots of accumulation of wealth and income among the very few, and <u>set in place</u> <u>obstacles for the rest of the population to move up or let alone stay in place"</u>

- +Assumes all people are equally capable and deserving
- +Indicates inequality comes from structures in place; it's manmade, not natural
- +Suggests a role for audience: breaking down the barrier

Vertigo/Internal Imbalance

"An economy that has gotten <u>off-kilter</u>" "Excessive inequality leads to <u>instability</u>"

- +Conveys interdependence—economy is a single, unified thing
- +Implies the economic system can be externally influenced
- +Tangible and experiential, people have felt dizziness

Injustice

"This isn't fair"

"If we want to live in a <u>just society</u> we cannot continue to subsidize the rich by exploiting the poor"

- + Appeals to values of fairness and justice
- Isn't actually a simplifying model;
 doesn't explain what inequality is
 Conveys very little to a broad audience, basically progressive in-group speak

Concentration

"Income and wealth <u>concentration</u>"
"Inequality Is the mal <u>distribution</u> of income and wealth"

- +Offers a reasonable tone, makes arguments seem mainstream
 -Inequality has its own driving force, not
- -Silent about the causes of inequality, strongly outcome-focused

Distortion

"They <u>rig</u> the machine"
"<u>Crafting rules</u> for the economy <u>that</u> reinforce inequality throughout the system"

- +Inequality is an outcome of bad decision-making by policy makers
- +Economy as a machine with people causing inequality through how they operate machine
- -Not a clear simplifying model doesn't relate inequality to something tangible

Vertical

"Bring down the <u>top</u>, lift up the <u>bottom</u>; move from <u>one rung</u> to another"
"My family was poor... it was the ignorance that allowed lots of people to have <u>power over us"</u>

- +Reinforces idea of common fate; economy as a container
- -Implies poor are inherently inferior -Favorite of conservatives—introduces hierarchy and moral superiority / deservedness

Horizontal

man-made

"Gap between rich and poor; bridge economic divide"

"Our nation and planet are <u>pulling apart</u> economically"

- +Very tangible, easy model to understand and visualize
- -Gaps are about end-states—suggests no reason for why we arrived at this outcome -Offers no role for audience
- -Implies two separate and therefore separable economies (separate fates)

Scale/Imbalance

"Tilted so far in favor of so few"
"Fairer policies would help balance the economic burdens among all of us, rather than piling them onto people of color, the poor"

- +Profiles interconnection; process of direct cause and effect
- -When one side goes up, the other goes down
- -Triggers zero-sum thinking and thus desire to keep status quo

Resource

"Inequality of wealth and incomes is the cause of the masses' well-being, not of anybody's distress"

"Bigness in business does not impair, but improves conditions of the rest of the people"

- -Common among conservatives
 -Inequality framed as an asset to
 economy
- -Preaches to *their* choir—works for conservative in-group speech

Identity

"What is inequality but <u>diversity</u> in monetary form?"

"The idea of a world where <u>all people are</u> <u>alike</u> is a fantasy for the stupid"

-Inequality as mathematical identity
-Lends credence to idea that progressives want to make everyone exactly the same
-Traps us in saying what inequality isn't—forces reactive not proactive stance

Force/Opponent

"Inequality <u>destroys</u> notion of the common good"

"We must confront directly the threat posed by this inequality"

-Presents inequality as an accident, a self-propelled force, not human creation -If inequality is an independent force, it's hard to figure out what to do about it

Resources on Framing Compiled by Neighborhood Partnerships For Metro Equity Advisory Committee, July 2013

Framing (General Theory and Resources)

Topos

http://www.topospartnership.com/wp-content/uploads/2012/05/Topos-On-Framing.pdf

Frameworks Institute

Framing Public Issues Toolkit http://www.frameworksinstitute.org/assets/files/PDF/FramingPublicIssuesfinal.pdf

Strategic Communication about Racial, Income, and Other Disparities:

john powell

"Community Change" slide presentation at http://www.insightcced.org/communities/Closing-RWG/about-econ/expertPubs.html?expertID=108

john powell, "Poverty and Race Through a Belongingness Lens" http://www.nwaf.org/FileCabinet/DocumentCatalogFiles/Other/PMpowell.pdf

Anat Shenker-Osorio

Web page with her works on inequality http://www.asocommunications.com/html/findings-from-the-field/

A longer research summary, quite excellent http://www.asocommunications.com/html/wp-content/uploads/2010/12/Narrowing-the-Gap shenker-osorio May2010.pdf

The Role of Government

Public Works Research: Talking about Government

summary

http://www.publicworks.org/uploads/1/1/1/4/11142270/talking_about_government_summary_of_findings.pdf

Full body of research http://www.publicworks.org/government.html