



# Resilient Communities Initiative Overview





Convene

Collaborate

Change

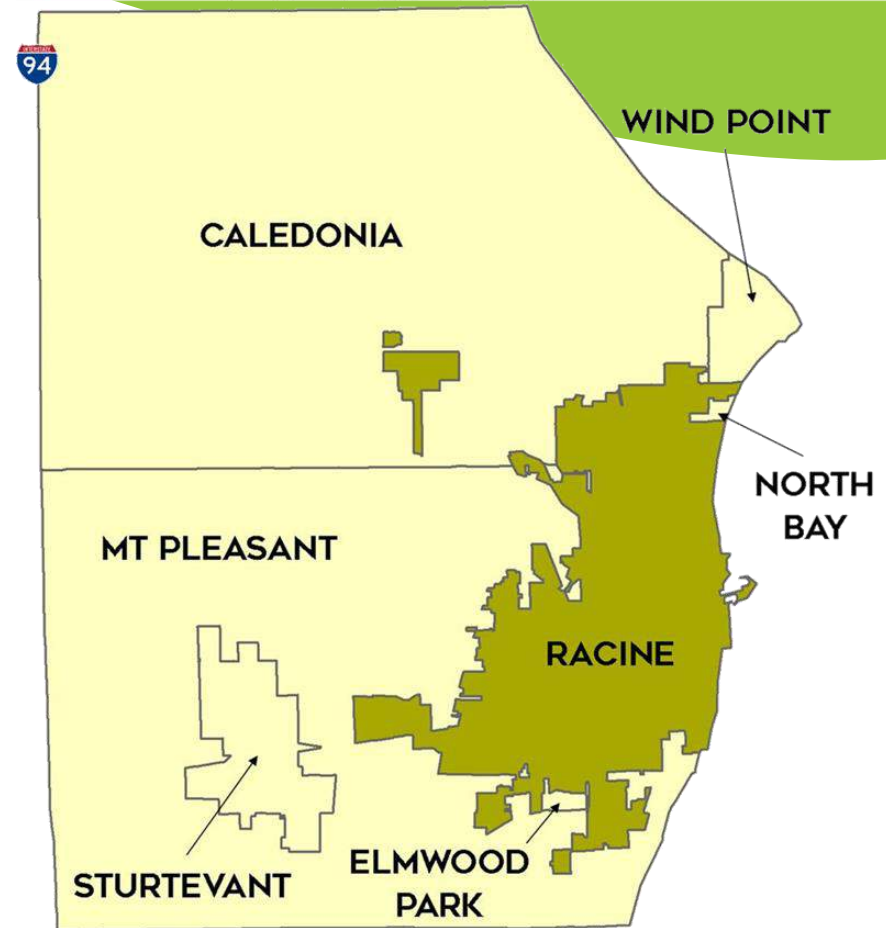


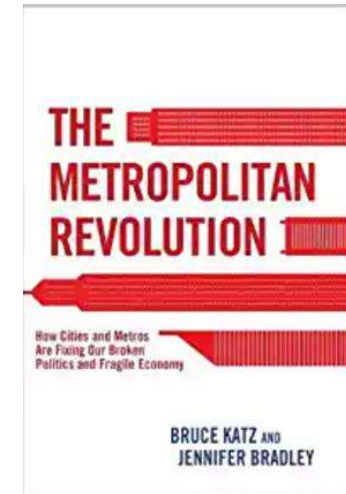


## Sustained Legacy of Commitment to Greater Racine



How best can we now  
contribute to a stronger,  
better future for our  
neighborhood of  
communities?





**Research + Experts + Facts**

## City of Racine stands out among neighboring communities:

### Lower

- Population growth
- Job growth
- Property sales/values
- Household income
- College graduation rates

### Higher

- Unemployment
- Poverty rate
- Crime rate
- Public safety costs



## Disturbing Trends in Key Indicators Analysis

“These realities place a considerable burden on Racine’s municipal government and taxpayers, thus contributing to an unhealthy cycle that affects not only the city, but ultimately the Greater Racine region as a whole.”

– Rob Henken, President, Public Policy Forum



## Resilient Communities are...

- Flexible, adaptable
- Able to weather every storm
- Continually evolving and thriving







Bold,  
committed  
leaders who  
embrace  
change

Multi-  
dimensional  
cross-border  
collaboration

Act with  
urgency

## Three Key Drivers Behind Resilient Communities





Racine County's Daily Newspaper  
**The Journal Times**

**Resilient Communities speaker urges collaboration among communities**

**How can Racine communities work together better?**

**Resilient Communities speaker: Racine-area leaders should embrace change**



# June 2017 Community Outreach



Nine out of ten told us that they believe...

- Achieving resilience is extremely/very important for our communities
- Local governmental collaboration is essential to achieving resilience
- Local governmental collaboration could reverse negative social/economic trends

The Public Voice



## What's Happening Now:

- Resilient Communities Road Show
- Gatherings with Local Leaders
- Comprehensive Fiscal Study/Analysis –  
Public Policy Forum
- Phase 2 Resilient Communities  
Briefings



