



Growing Regional Food System Opportunities:
Capital and Beyond
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LOCATIONS

31 LOCATIONS

ALABAMA

- Montgomery

ARKANSAS

- College Station
- Little Rock
I-30 SW
Geyer Springs
- Pine Bluff
- West Memphis

LOUISIANA

- New Orleans
Central City
Circle Food Store
Michoud
Chalmette

TENNESSEE

- Jackson
- Memphis
Crosstown
Harvester Lane
Madison Avenue
Ridgeway

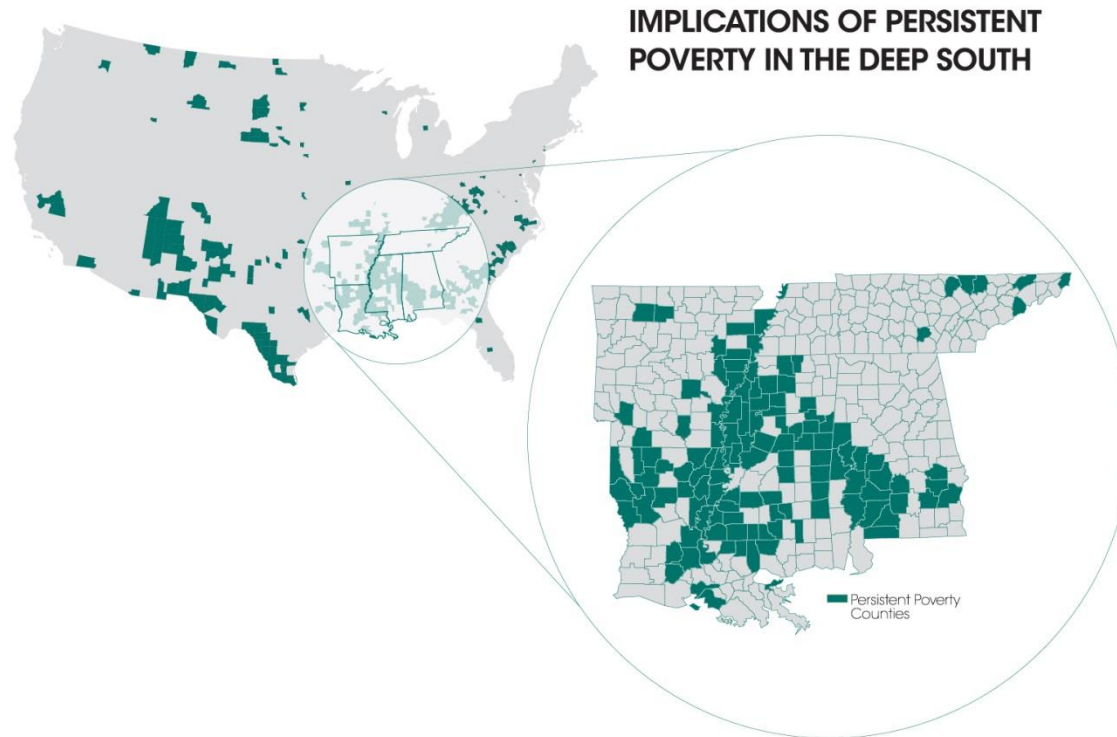
MISSISSIPPI

- Biloxi
- Camden
- Drew
- Greenville
- Itta Bena
- Jackson
Medical Mall
Old River Place
University
Boulevard
- Louisville
- Macon
- Moorhead
- Robinsonville
- Shaw
- Terry
- Utica
- West Point

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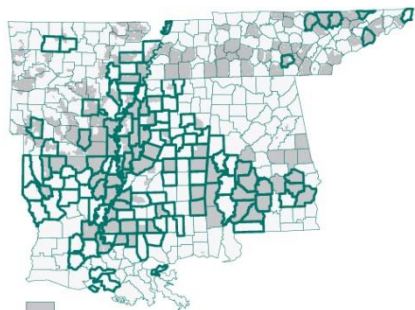
1/3 of Nation's Persistent Poverty Counties are Located in the Deep South



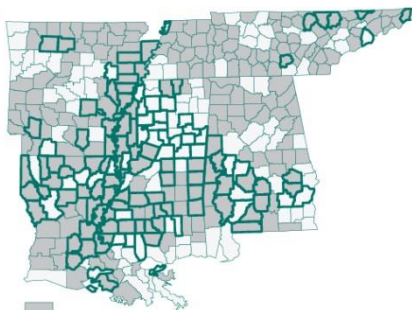
Source: U.S. Treasury CDFI Fund

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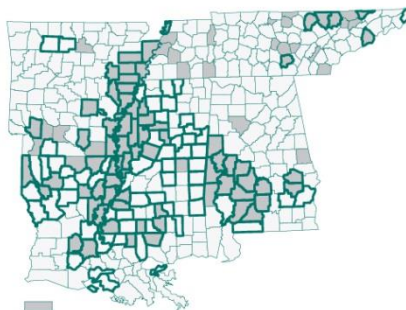
Implications of Persistent Poverty



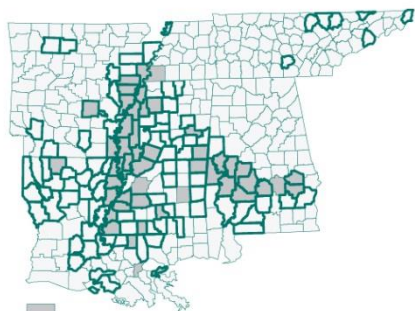
Education
Low-Performing School Districts



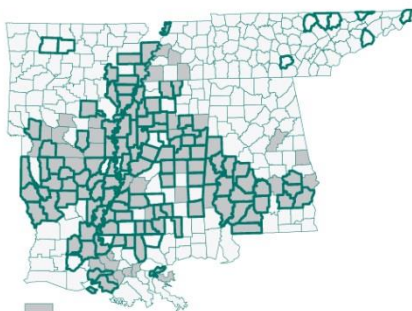
High-Cost Mortgage Lending
Counties above state average



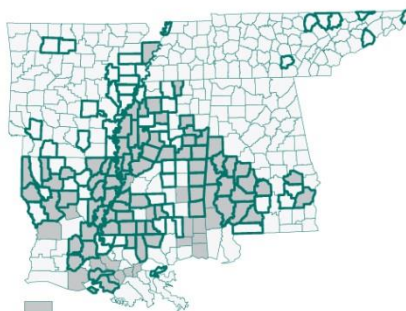
County Health Rankings
Lowest 25% by state



Majority Black
Counties above state average



Unbanked
More than 1.5 times the
national average



Unemployment
More than 1.5 times the
national average

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COMMUNITY PROFILES

	SMALL TOWNS AVERAGE	MISSISSIPPI	UNITED STATES
2014 Population	3,824	2,994,079	318,857,056
Percent Below Poverty Level	48%	22%	16%
Percent Below 150% of the Poverty Level	81%	64%	62%
Percent Bachelor's Degree or Higher	15%	21%	30%
Uninsured Rate	21%	17%	14%
Obesity rate	45%	35%	28%
County Unemployment Rate	9%	7%	5%

SMALL TOWNS PARTNERSHIP GOALS

- Build capacity of towns to facilitate economic development
- Support communities in developing a strategic plan
- Identify priority economic development, housing, or community facility projects that will contribute to a thriving community
- Empower community leaders with tools and leadership skills
- Provide training and technical assistance to advance priority projects and leverage capital

STRATEGIC PLANNING



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Thank You!

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