About BNIA-JFI

▶ Non-profit started over 15 years ago by local stakeholders, now based within Jacob France Institute at University of Baltimore

▶ "One-stop-shop" for *comprehensive*, non-partisan data indicators and training

   ▶ Multiple topic areas

   ▶ Longitudinal data (2000 – 2016)

▶ Member of the National Neighborhood Indicators Partnership at Urban Institute

   ▶ 35 cities focusing on *data democratization*

   ▶ http://www.neighborhoodindicators.org

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Community Indicators

▶ Individual statistics, that when combined, provide a picture of what is happening in a community

  ▶ Crime rate, unemployment rate, median household income, life expectancy, etc.

▶ When tracked over time, indicators can provide insight to the overall direction of a community

  ▶ Is crime getting better or worse? Are more people finding jobs? Are there fewer vacant and boarded up houses?

▶ Used for setting goals and tracking progress

  ▶ Did an intervention strategy work? How does the neighborhood compare to the city as a whole?

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Vital Signs

- Yearly report of our comprehensive indicators; *Vital Signs 14* was released in Spring 2016 with data through 2014

- 160+ indicators, 50+ sources

- **Topic areas:**
  - Census Demographics
  - Housing and Community Development
  - Children and Family Health and Well-Being
  - Crime and Safety
  - Workforce and Economic Development
  - Arts and Culture
  - Education and Youth
  - Sustainability

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Community Statistical Areas

▶ Groupings of Census Tract (2010) geographies, based on similar populations

▶ Tract boundaries allow us to easily get population and household counts

   ▶ Adjusting data for population allows you to compare areas!

▶ Total number: **55** communities

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Accessing *Vital Signs* Online

Options for all data users at all skill levels

Beginners

▶ Data tables (online and PDF) for communities OR topics

▶ Downloadable summary reports

▶ Downloadable, pre-made maps

Advanced

▶ Search for indicator data tables online and display certain years

▶ Download open data in Excel and GIS formats

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Learning More

▶ **Ask BNIA Staff**

  ▶ Data Day Session (Room **205**) – 2:00pm

▶ **BNIA @ Enoch Pratt**

  ▶ Saturday, **October 14, 2017** at **3:00pm** (**Northwood Branch** on Loch Raven Blvd)

  ▶ Tuesday, **October 24, 2017** at **6:00pm** (**Walbrook Branch** on North Ave)

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