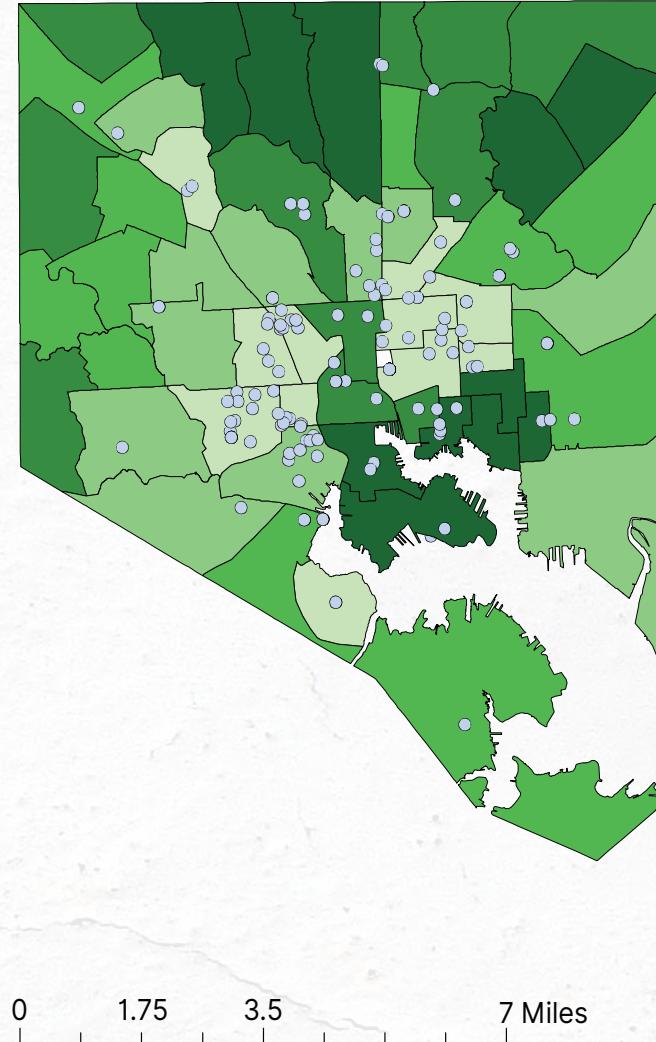
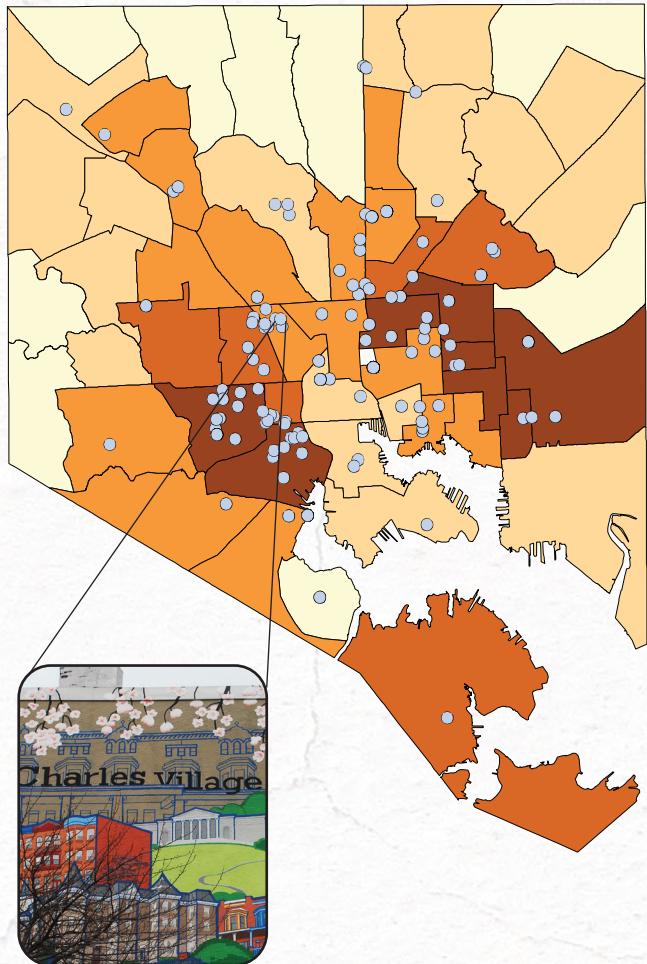


DOES ART CLEAN ALLEYS?



0 1.75 3.5 7 Miles

Legend

○ art murals

Dirty Alley Reports per 1,000 Residents

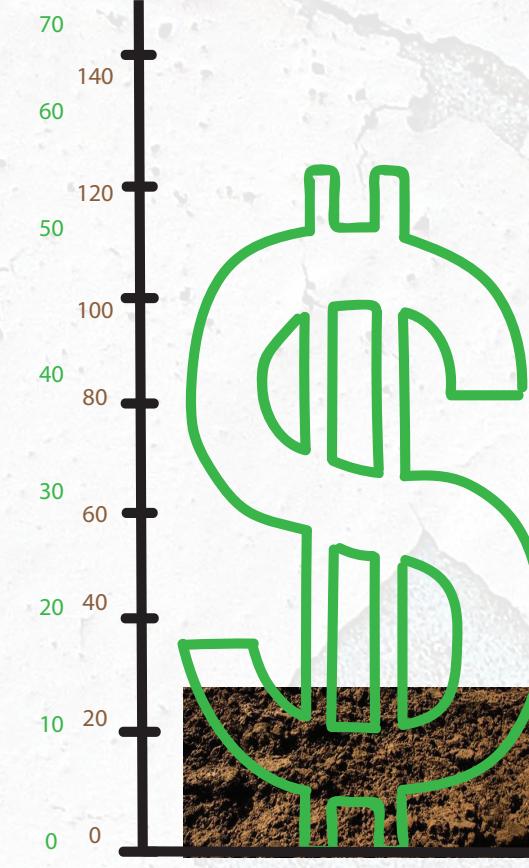
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Median Household Income

\$15,467 - \$29,829
\$29,830 - \$37,380
\$37,381 - \$44,054
\$44,055 - \$61,048
\$61,049 - \$109,518

Median Household Income and
Rate of Dirty Alleys Reports
Baltimore City, 2016

- Median household income, in thousands of dollars
- Rate of dirty alleys reports per 1000 residents



High Income,
Low Report Rate
25%



Low Income,
High Report Rate
38%



Medium Income,
Medium Report Rate
37%

The maps show that low-income neighborhoods have more art murals but also more reports of dirty alleys. According to the Baltimore Office of Promotion and Arts, the city art mural project was created to “instill a sense of pride” and “engage young people in the beautification of their own communities.” Perhaps, the high number of art murals produces a sense of ownership in these neighborhoods, leading to more reports of dirty alleys. More research would be needed to determine this result.