

Frogtown Green

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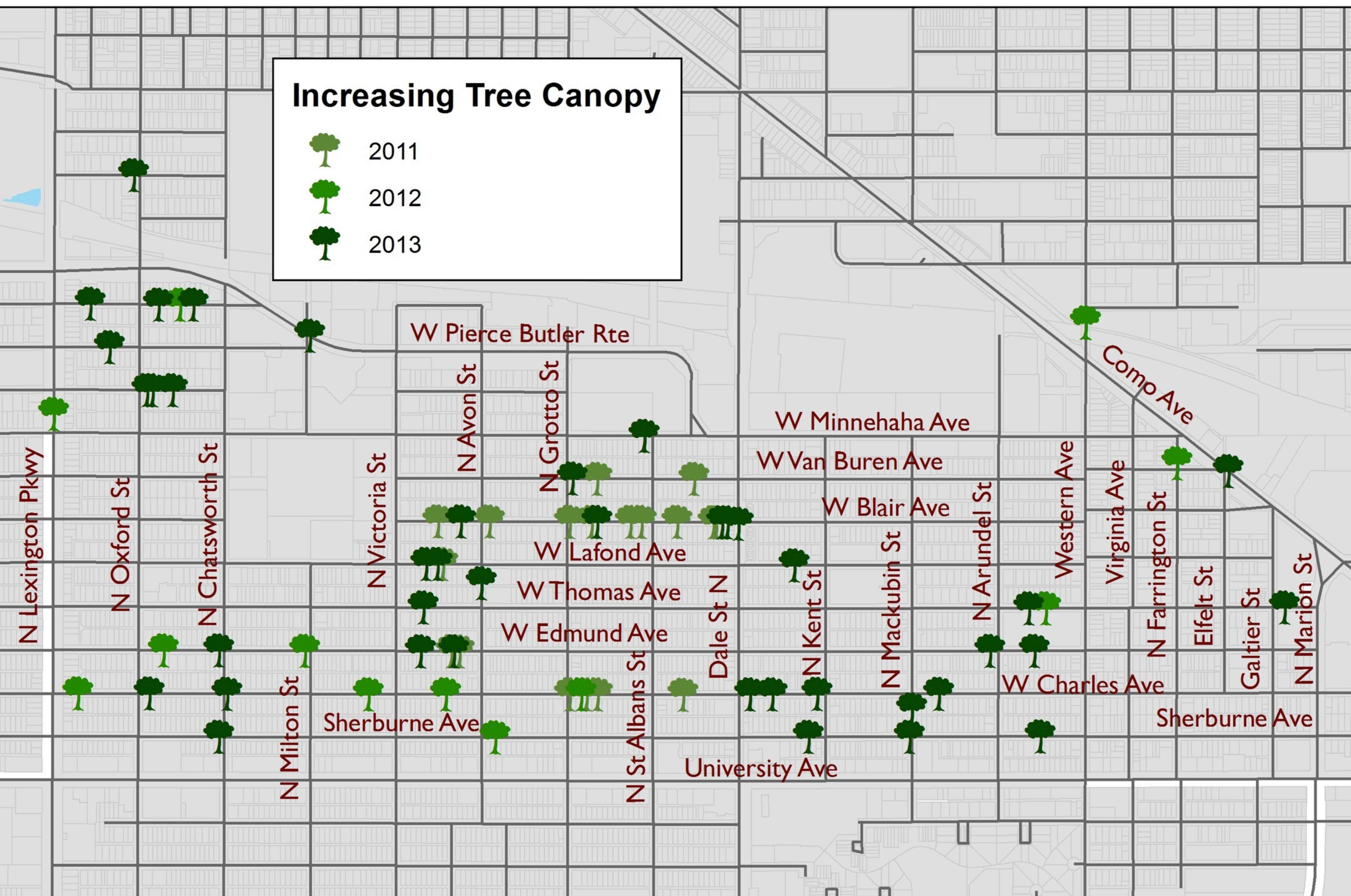
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Vision: protect and enhance green spaces in Frogtown to create a healthy and sustainable neighborhood

DALE STREET → GREEN CORRIDOR

Increasing Tree Canopy



POP-UP PARK

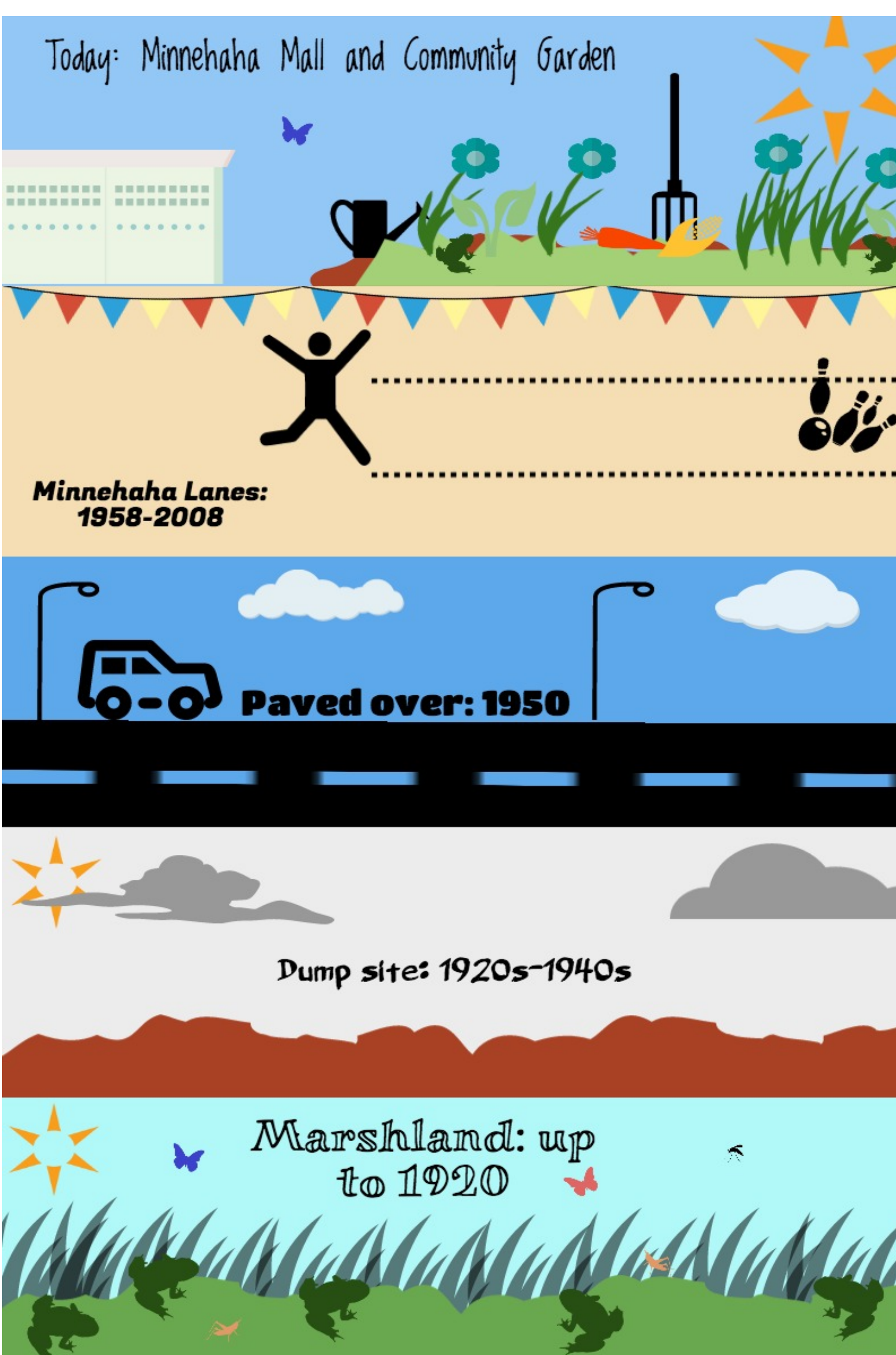
In 2011, Frogtown Green neighbors and St. Paul Forestry partnered to grow and distribute free trees to Frogtown residents. This is a crucial service for the area, as Frogtown has the least tree canopy cover of all neighborhoods in the Twin Cities. To date, 124 shade, fruit, and ornamental trees have been planted in backyards and along street boulevards.

Renewal of tree canopy coverage is particularly necessary as the Asian Emerald Ash Borer beetle has been spreading through the Twin Cities since 2009. About 20% of the urban forest in St. Paul are ash trees, and many have been infested and removed due to the beetle, reducing the overall urban tree canopy.

STONE'S THROW

In October 2014, Stone's Throw received \$60,000 from the Knight Foundation's Green Line Challenge Grant. This money will be invested in long-term infrastructure, such as hoop houses, seating, and a street-side market stand. The Farm will grow into a pedestrian-friendly neighborhood business and provide an interactive space for sharing knowledge about urban agriculture and backyard gardening in the Twin Cities.

They are now in negotiation with the St. Paul City Council to obtain a long-term lease – currently they renew their lease every year, making for an uncertain future.



MINNEHAHA MALL

At the intersection of Milton Street and Pierce Butler Route, Frogtown Green works in partnership with Youth Farm to cultivate learning and healthy eating in young urban farmers. Adjacent to this farm is Minnehaha Mall, built in the 1950s. Frogtown Green envisions restoring more of this area to its former healthy habitat and bring back the frogs to Frogtown. They foresee the abandoned spaces of the strip mall transforming into an eco-education space.

