

Co-Creating Healthy Communities

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BON SECOURS BALTIMORE HEALTH SYSTEM

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The Sisters of Bon Secours

Professed their vows in Paris in
1824

They were known for going into the
home to provide care (This was a
radical concept back in the 1800s)

In 1881 they brought their *home-
based health ministry* to the United
States

Opened their first hospital in
Baltimore in 1919.



West Baltimore in the late 1980s/ early 1990s

Reagan Administration 1986 Tax Reform Act

- Lots of changes to “simplify the income tax code”
- Law was changed to favor homeownership over rent
- Investment incentives for rental housing were phased out

The Impact on Bon Secours:

- Major increase in vacant properties immediately surrounding hospital
- 67 of the 101 rowhomes on West Baltimore Street became vacant
- Hospital volumes declined

West Baltimore in the late 1980s/ early 1990s continued...

The Baltimore Crack Epidemic

- Open-Air Drug Markets permeated West Baltimore as cocaine use soared
- Violence followed

The Impact on Bon Secours:

- The immediate surrounding area of the Hospital is now viewed as “unsafe” by prospective patients and employees
- Recruiting for nurses and physicians becomes very difficult
- The community is in crisis and Hospital volumes decline

1995

Operation ReachOut

GOALS/COMMITMENTS

1. Develop Housing on Baltimore Street
2. Develop Old St. Martin Academy
3. Partner with the Community



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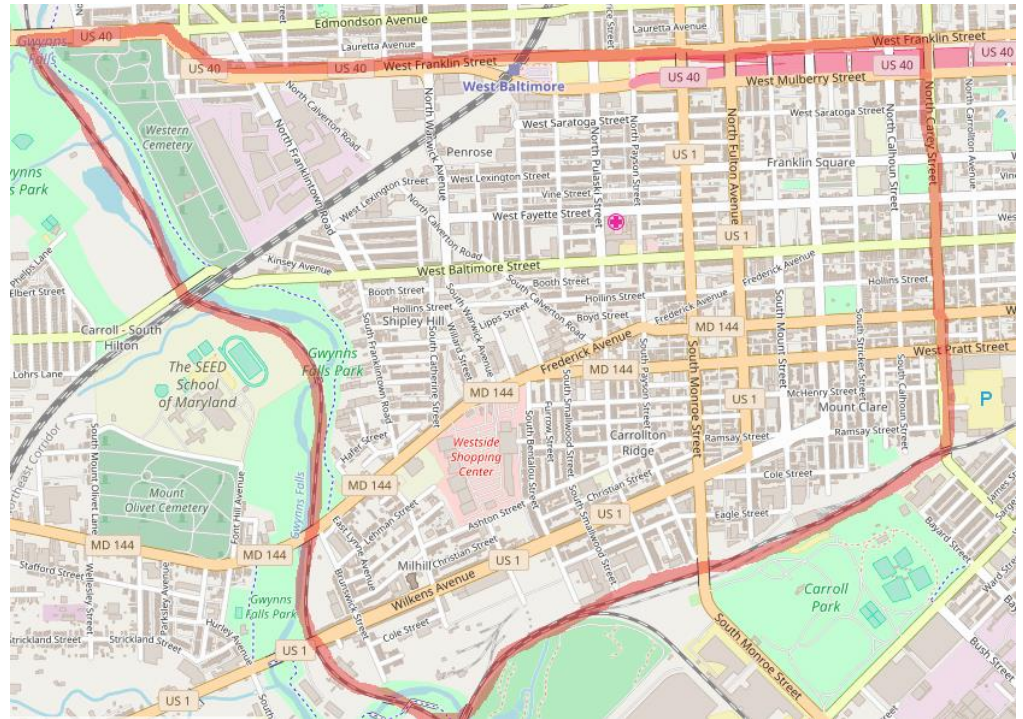
1998

Operation ReachOut SouthWest (OROSW)

a community plan for our future

VISION

- ❑ Housing & Physical Planning
- ❑ Economic Development
- ❑ Public Safety
- ❑ Health
- ❑ Education
- ❑ Youth & Seniors



Today

Family Housing

- Bon Secours Apartments (119 apartments)
- Gibbons Apartments (80 units)
- New Shiloh II (73 Units)

Senior Independent Living Facilities

- Benet House, Hollins Terrace, Liberty Village, New Shiloh Village, Smallwood Summit, Wayland Village (530 Units)

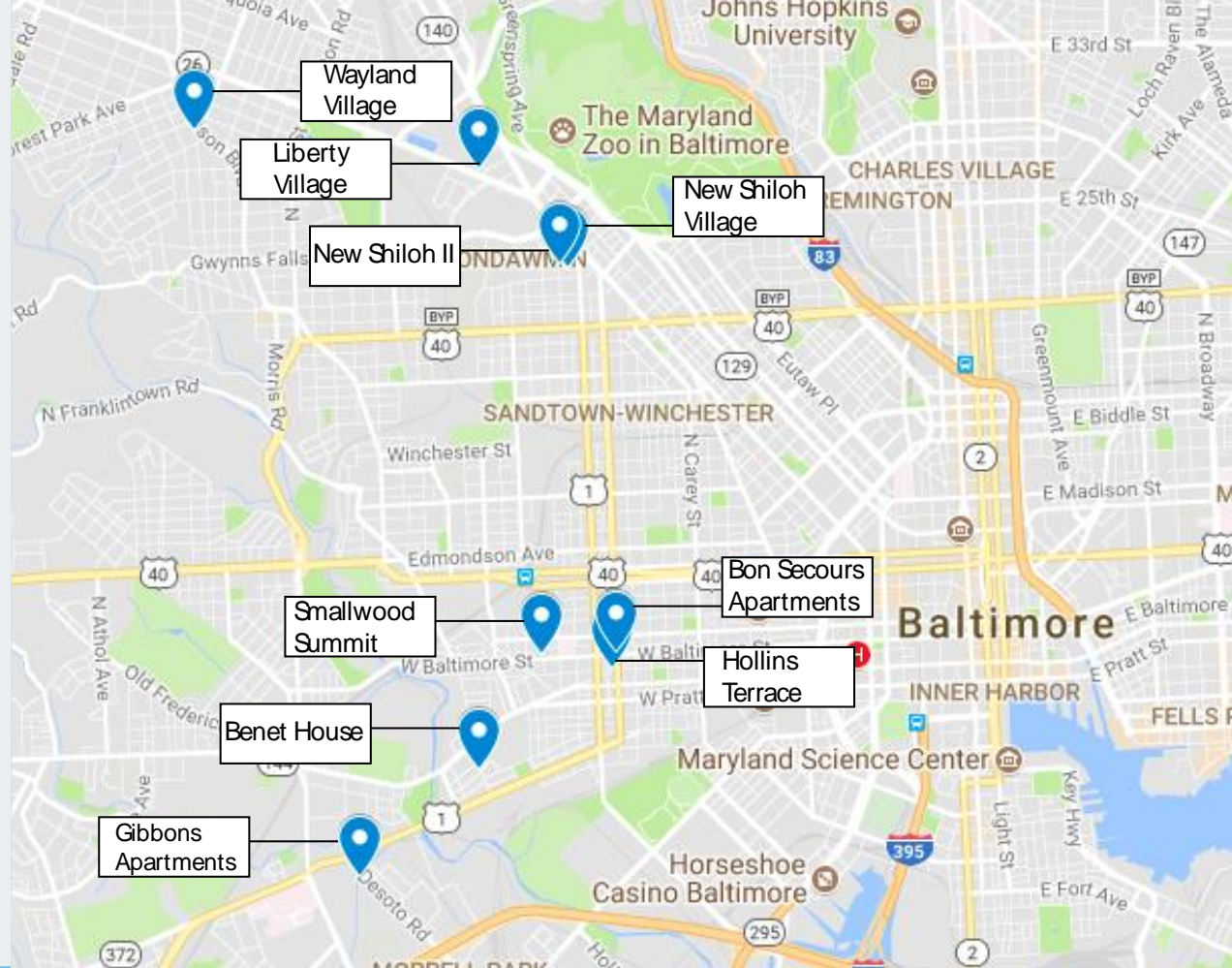
Community Development

- Monthly Crime & Grime Meetings
- Anchor Work Group
- Community Projects



Bon Secours Housing Map

802 units



Bon Secours Apartments



Bon Secours Gibbons



New Shiloh II



Family Housing

272 units

Benet House



New Shiloh Village



Wayland Village



Liberty Village



Smallwood Summit

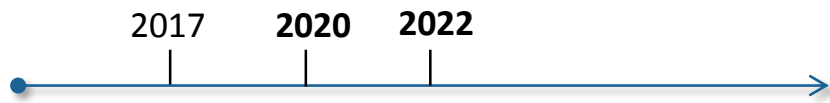


Hollins Terrace



Senior Independent Living

530 units



Future Vision

Crime & Grime: *The neighborhoods surrounding Bon Secours Hospital will be safe and clean and known city-wide as a desirable place to live.*

Affordable Housing: *Bon Secours will continue to expand housing for the vulnerable and underserved (current goal 1,200 units).*

Community Facilities: *Bon Secours will re-develop vacant and underutilized spaces to further its shared vision with the surrounding neighborhoods (St. Martin church, Payson Street Library, Fayette Street Outreach Community Center).*

Community Engagement

ADVISORY GROUPS

- Anchor Work Group
- CHNA Advisory Board
- Community Associations
- Southwest Partnership

Community Engagement

- Community Open Forum
- Charrettes
- Crime & Grime Meetings
- Neighborhood Clean Ups
- Community Gardening
- Special Events