



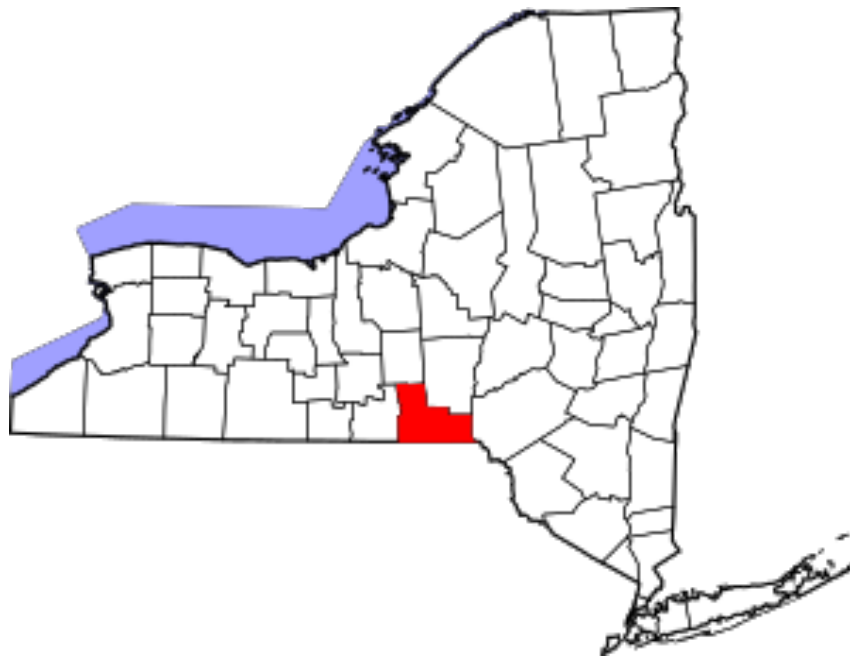
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Community Building through Grassroots Neighborhood Efforts

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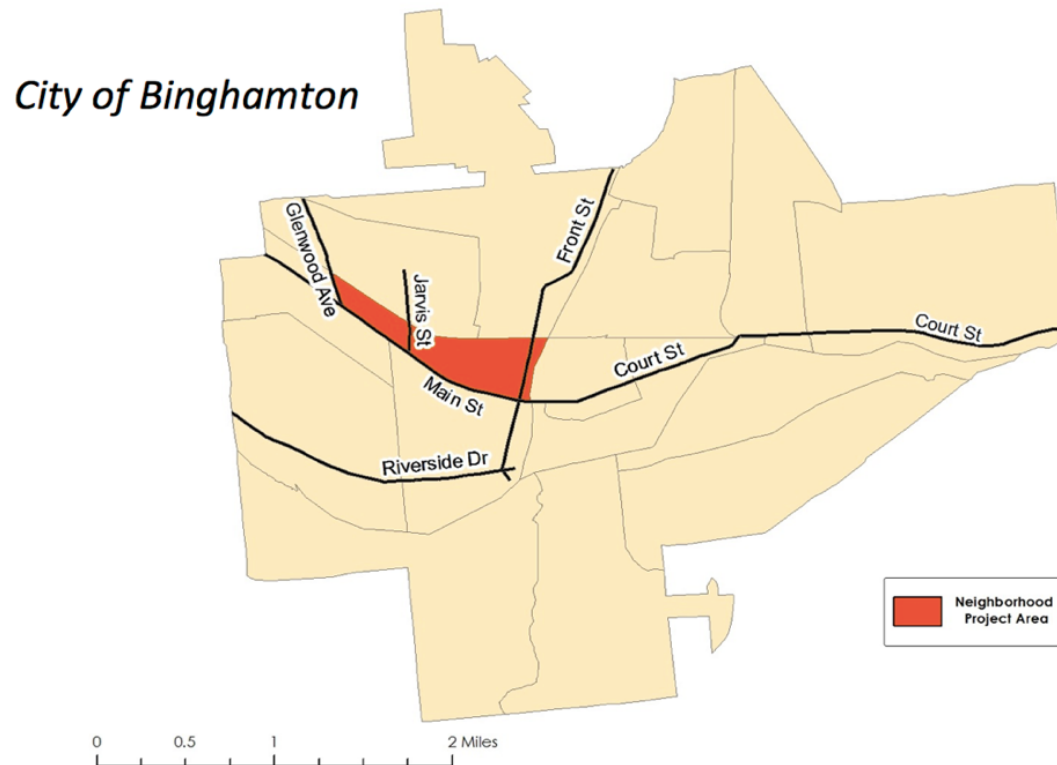
- Demonstrates that the city and the campus are working together to address issues of concern
- Members are appointed by government groups
- Provides grant funding around identified priority areas

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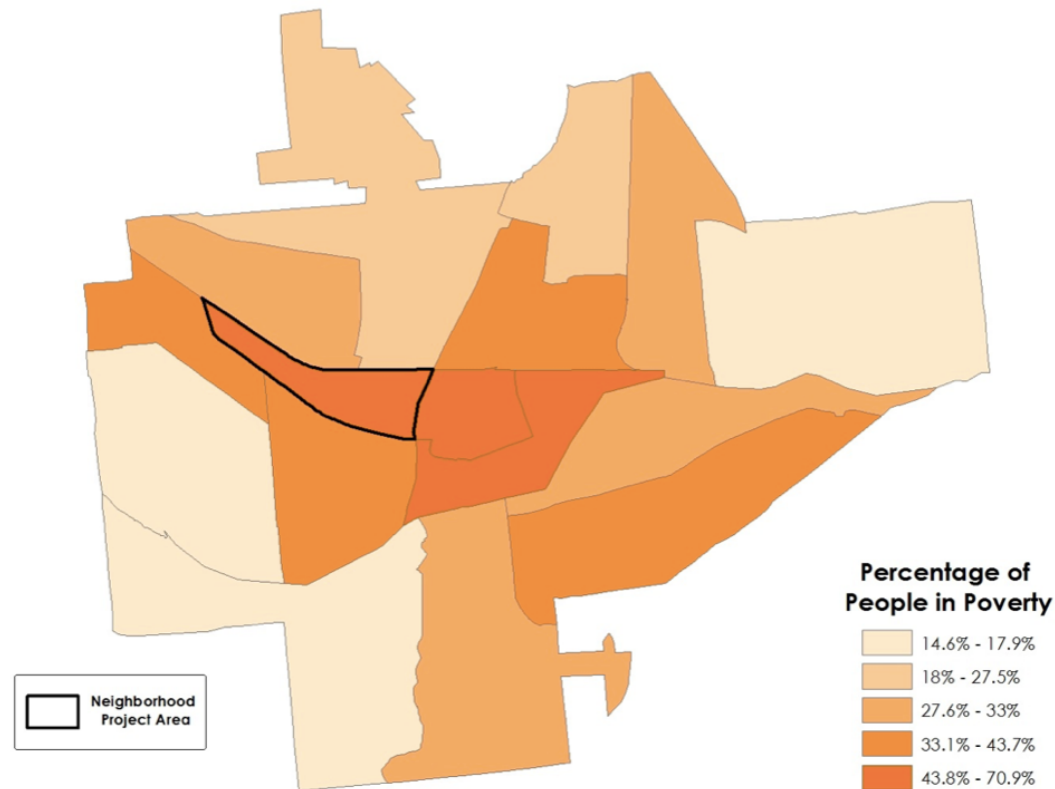
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- Student Housing
- Transportation and Parking
- Dangerous/Underage Drinking
- Safety
- Promoting and Cultivating Positive Community Engagement

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Neighborhood Planning Process

Facilitated by George Homsy (Public Administration) and Siobhan Hart (Anthropology)

Students in the Neighborhood Heritage and Sustainability Project



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Neighborhood Planning Process

- Over 50 resident and stakeholder interviews were conducted by students
- Neighborhood lunches in the park
- Two additional public input meetings after the plan was drafted



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Neighborhood Priorities

- Safety in our Streets
- The Mansion at Walnut Street – A place for all to learn and grow
- Greening our Streets
- Enlivening Walnut Street Park
- Remaking Main Street



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Neighborhood Priorities

- Creating Healthy Homes
- Reclaiming Vacant Lots as Productive Spaces
- Creating a Neighborhood Heritage & Healthy Living Trail
- Creating a Neighborhood Green Team



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Ongoing Collaboration

- The Mansion at Walnut Street - A place for all to learn and grow
- Enlivening Walnut Street Park



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