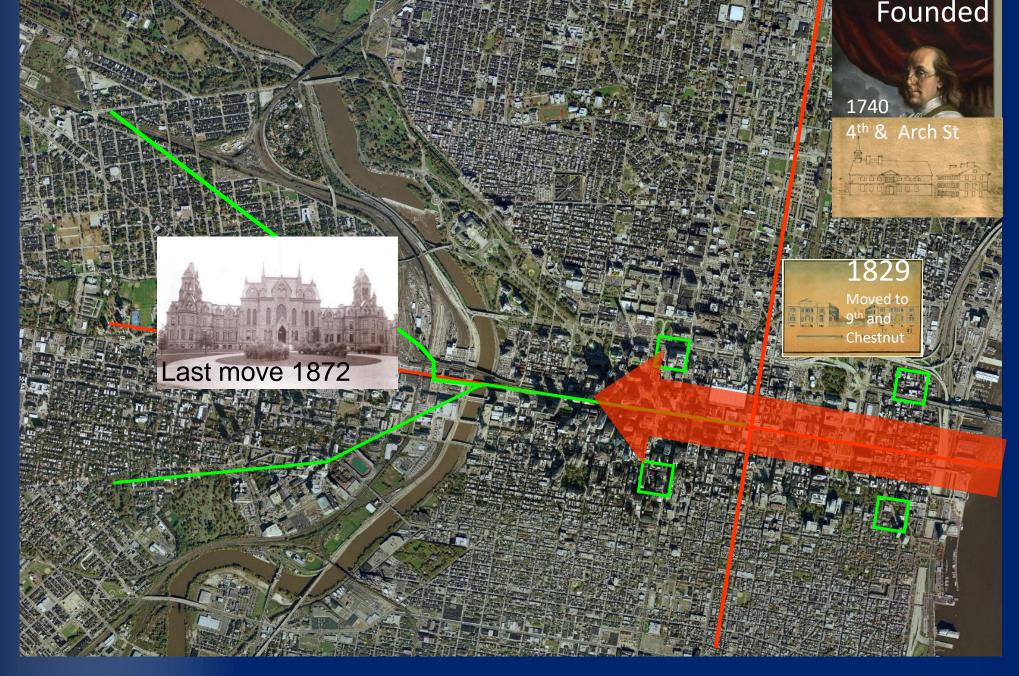
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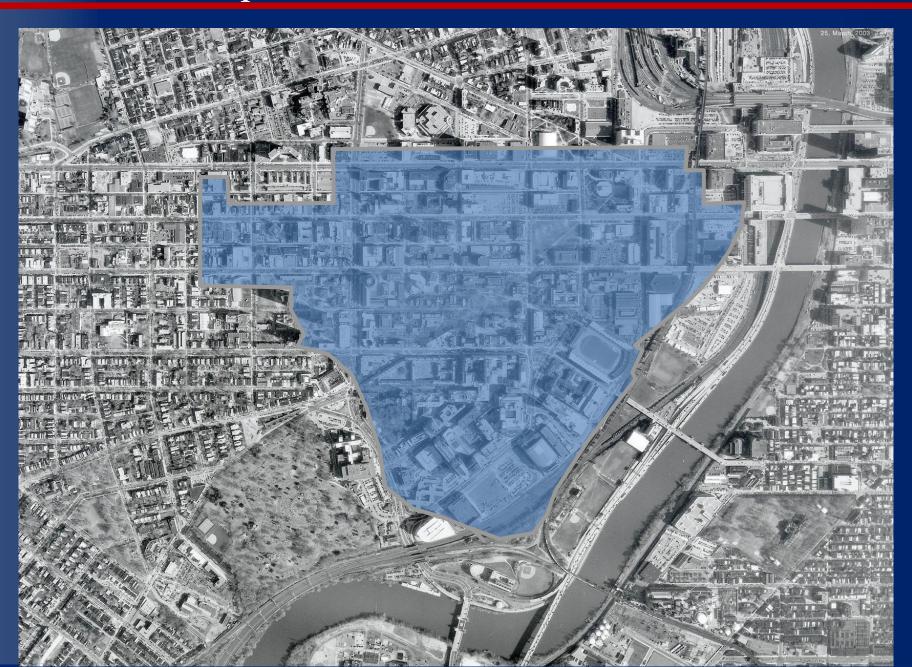
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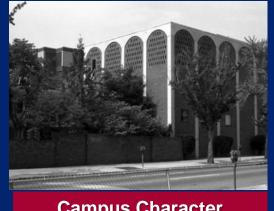
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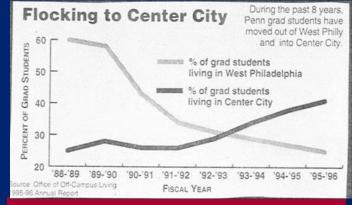
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**Campus Character** 



**Students Vote with their feet** 

#### **Urban Renewal**



**Science Center** 



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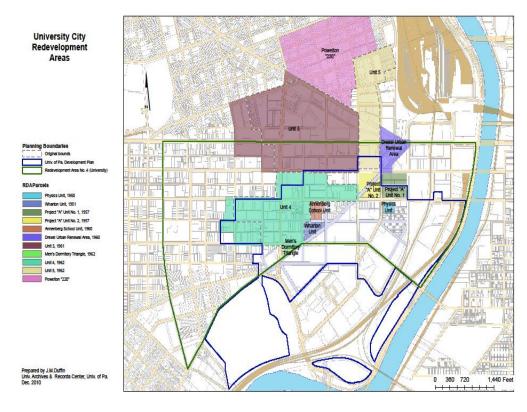
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**Increase in Crime** 

## **Land Redevelopment and its Impacts**

#### Federal Government: Urban Renewal Act



- Relocation of businesses
- Demolition of structures
- Relocation of people
- Use of eminent domain to take private property for development projects.

1960s: Protests Against Campus Expansion and Urban Renewal

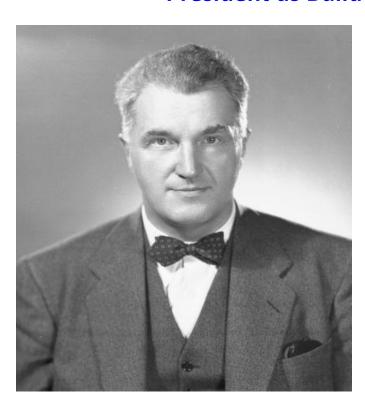


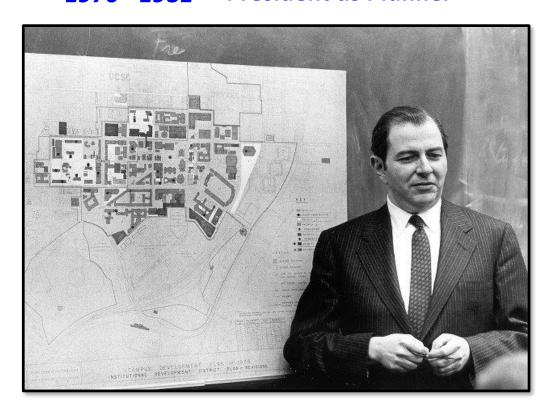
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Gaylord P.
Harnwell
1953 - 1970 President as Builder

Martin Meyerson 1970 - 1981

President as Planner





# **Physical Alienation from the Community**









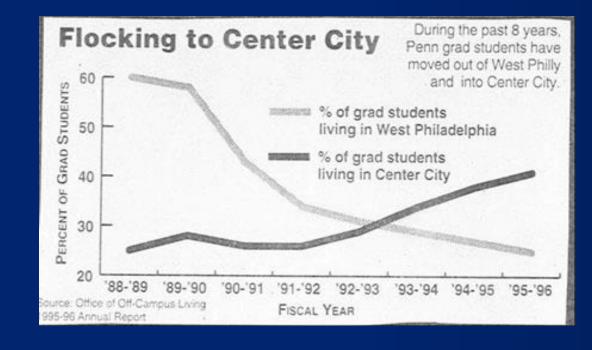
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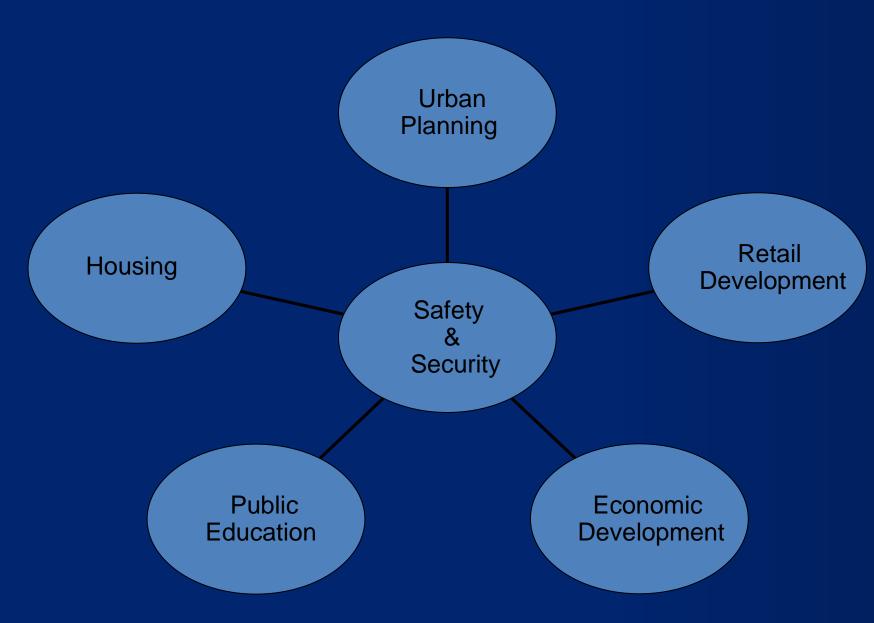
A Strategic Approach to Local Engagement:

High crime rates against persons and property

Property abandonment and disinvestment

Increasing poverty rates

Isolate, Flight, or Fight?



### Penn's Presidents and the Evolution of Local Engagement







#### **Sheldon Hackney**

Netter Center for Community Partnerships:

**Academic Based Community Service** 

Local Civic Engagement

**Supporting Public Education** 

1981-1993

#### **Judith Rodin**

West Philadelphia Initiatives:

Safety and Security

Housing and Homeownership

Retail and Commercial Development

**Public Education** 

**Economic Inclusion** 

1994 - 2004

#### **Amy Gutmann**

The Penn Compact:

- •Inclusion
- Innovation
- •Impact

2004-present

## Neighborhood Initiatives Results



Inclusion

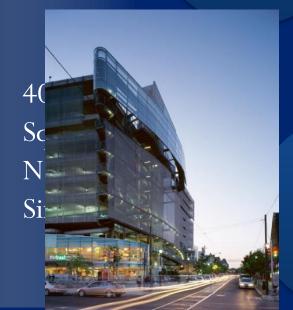


## In Ten Years



Housing

WPI



Real Estate Development



Education

## Lessons Learned

- Nature of universities to grow
- Growth can create tensions particularly in an urban environment where land is more scarce
- Working with local community in a comprehensive manner can lead to real changes
- Land control very important
- Master planning crucial to the campus development
- Role for third party developers to work effectively with universities to advance the mission