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CODA's Neighborhood Revitalization Program was formed to plan, coordinate and implement appropriate community improvements within a series of residential neighborhoods which ring the commercial heart of downtown and midtown Atlanta. These communities, the **Olympic Ring Neighborhoods**, are low-density and low-income, and contain substantial quantities of deteriorated structures and vacant lots. Yet they also possess significant assets including historic houses and strong social, business and religious institutions. Collectively, these in-town communities present an opportunity to enhance the quality of life for local residents and business owners while increasing the economic and cultural viability of the Atlanta region as a whole. CODA's mandate from the Atlanta City Council is to manage the redevelopment of the Olympic Ring Neighborhoods in preparation for the 1996 Summer Olympic Games and to provide a long-term legacy of an efficient and meaningful community redevelopment/revitalization process.

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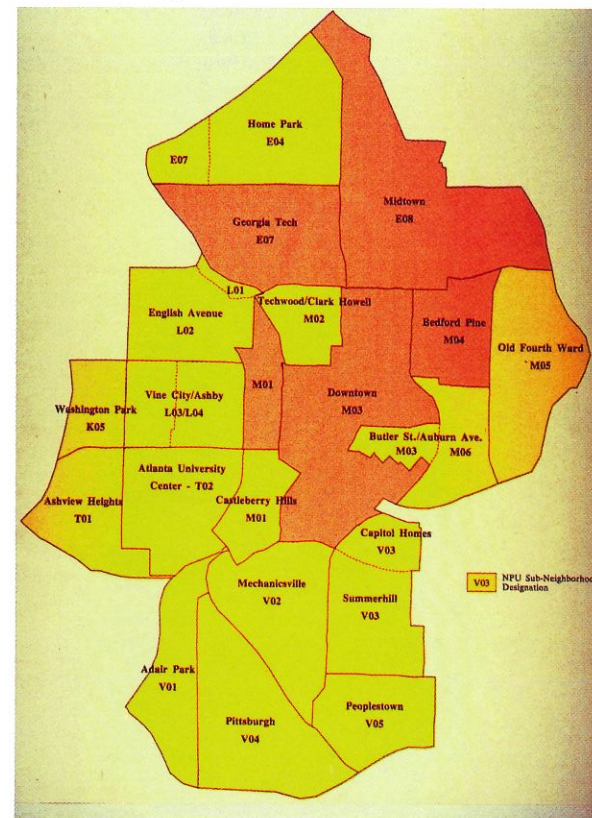
The Olympic Ring Neighborhoods are fifteen center city neighborhoods which are most closely associated with the development impacts and potential economic and cultural benefits of hosting the 1996 Olympic Games in Atlanta. They are as follows:

Adair Park	English Avenue	Pittsburgh
Ashview Heights	Home Park	Summerhill
Atlanta University Center	Mechanicsville	Techwood/Clark Howell
Butler St./Auburn Avenue	Old Fourth Ward	Vine City/Ashby
Castleberry Hill	Peoplestown	Washington Park

Goals

The CODA Neighborhood Revitalization Program seeks to initiate plans, programs and public support for revitalization activities which meet the following goals:

1. To provide a long-term mechanism through which centralized public redevelopment policy decisions are respectful of local community empowerment initiatives and are appreciative of impacts within a local and regional context.
2. To provide a vehicle through which community participation, consensus-building and empowerment initiatives access public redevelopment policy and regulatory decisions.
3. To eliminate current conditions of urban blight, distress, and impaired development through preservation oriented planning, regulatory modifications and implementation.
4. To encourage integrated preservation, rehabilitation and new construction of affordable housing and business development within a framework of high-quality design and development controls.
5. To coordinate public and private redevelopment initiatives with public infrastructure improvements to generate "critical-mass" strategies for community revitalization.



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