

# AGENDA 2009 - City of Middletown

## ***Fiscal Prudence***

- Examine ways to combine services – regionalize – Health, Transit and others
- Discuss cost cutting possibilities: hiring freeze, no capital purchases, freeze step increases, others
- Monitor Public Safety levy
- Monitor long term finances

## ***Section 8 Housing***

- Establish monthly meetings of Housing Authority (City Council) and system of reporting
- Finalize contract for administrator
- Discuss, in conjunction with HUD, policy on number of vouchers

## ***Economic Development***

- Retention and Expansion
- Towne Mall Redevelopment
- Downtown Redevelopment
- Brownfield Redevelopment

## ***Restore Socio-Economic Balance***

- Establish programs to incentivize teachers, police, fire, hospital, university, city employees to live in the city
- Encourage empty-nester housing options
- Preserve and protect currently healthy neighborhoods that might be at risk - Encourage reinvestment, work with financial institutions, home improvement stores, residents
- Embrace the diversity of Middletown
- Partner with Middletown Schools to improve educational system
- Examine Mixed-use projects like Hope VI to revive low income areas

## ***Improve City Image***

- Street Improvement Program – sign replacement, pothole repairs, striping, crack sealing, resurfacing projects, I75/SR 122 widening
- Enforce Property Maintenance and Zoning Codes
- Demolish or rehab blighted structures
- Work with Railroads to improve crossings
- Increased positive PR efforts