

Glossary

Census Tract (CT)

are small, relatively stable geographic areas that usually have a population of 2,500 to 8,000. They are located in census metropolitan areas and in census agglomerations with an urban core population of 50,000 or more in the previous census.

Community Mapping

a process that uses mapping computer software to create maps to visually display the community's socio-economic characteristics, distribution of local community's resources and services.

Demographic Map

A thematic map depicts a statistical characteristics of human population. Commonly used demographics include age, gender, race, disabilities, income, mobility, educational attainment, home ownership, and employment status.

High Needs Schools

are characterized by different factors, such as interrelated student, teacher, community factor, large percentage of students who are second language learners, or students who come from single parent or low-income families, or students who move frequently from school to school.

Need Map

are maps which statistics come from government, non-profit agencies and community organizations provide information related to need.

Resource Map

provides information about human service agencies (services and programs) or resources.