

# New York City High Performance Building: Making it Happen

#### Green Lending: A Contradiction in Terms?

- Discovering the Obstacles
- Meeting the Challenges
- Creating a Green Mortgage Delivery System

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# The Community Preservation Corporation (CPC)

- Non-profit 501 c(3) mortgage finance company
- Founded in 1974 by NY clearinghouse banks
- Sponsored by more than 70 banks and insurance companies in NY, NJ and CT
- CPC Mission:
  - Provide an economic platform of investment to spur recovery in distressed communities
  - Develop and enhance public/private partnerships



## **History and Performance: The CPC Model Works**

- Since inception more than 139,000 units of low and moderate income housing have been financed
- Public/private investment of over \$7.9 billion
- Loan losses of less than 2% since 1974
- CPC investment has had a dramatic impact in low income neighborhoods across the state
  - Created an opportunity for private investment to return to distressed communities

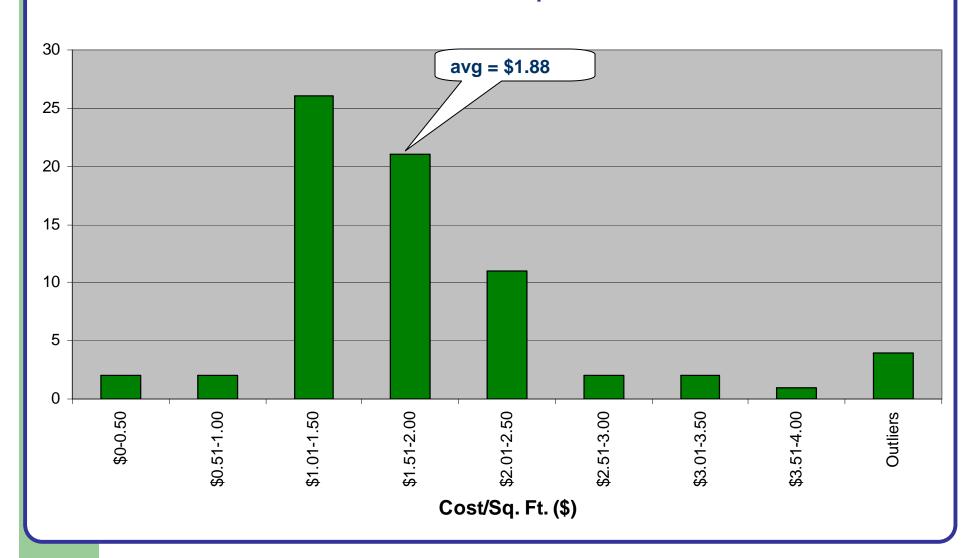


#### 2007: How Green Is Our Portfolio?

- Green becoming a bigger focus
  - Federal, State and Local Governments
- More than 62,000 units in our portfolio
- Historic Focus: How much does energy cost?
- New Focus:
  - How much energy do our buildings USE?
- Enter Consultant
  - Put CPC's portfolio under the green lens...

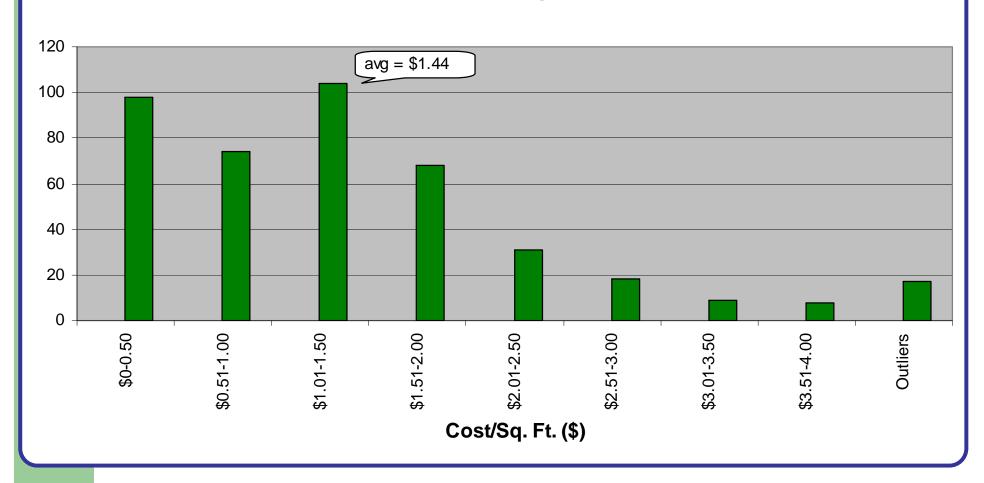


### CPC buildings - Fuel (#2, #4 & #6) Costs Per Sq. Ft.



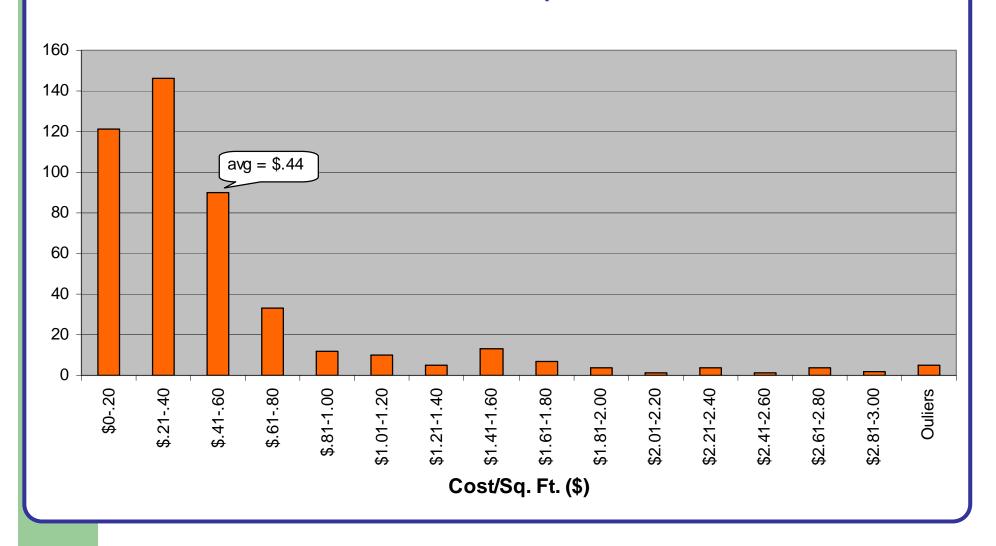


#### CPC buildings - Fuel/Gas Costs Per Sq. Ft.



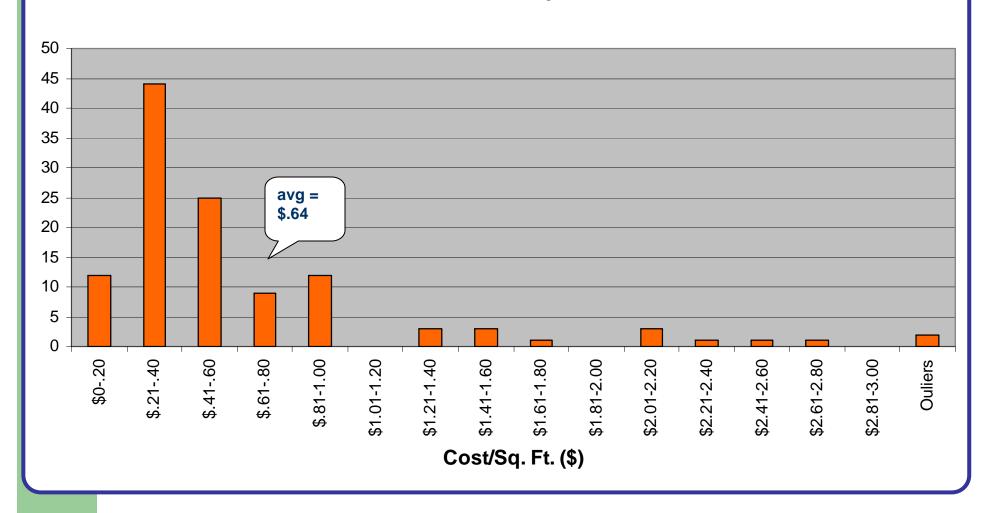


## CPC Buildings - Electric (Walkup) Costs Per Sq. Ft.



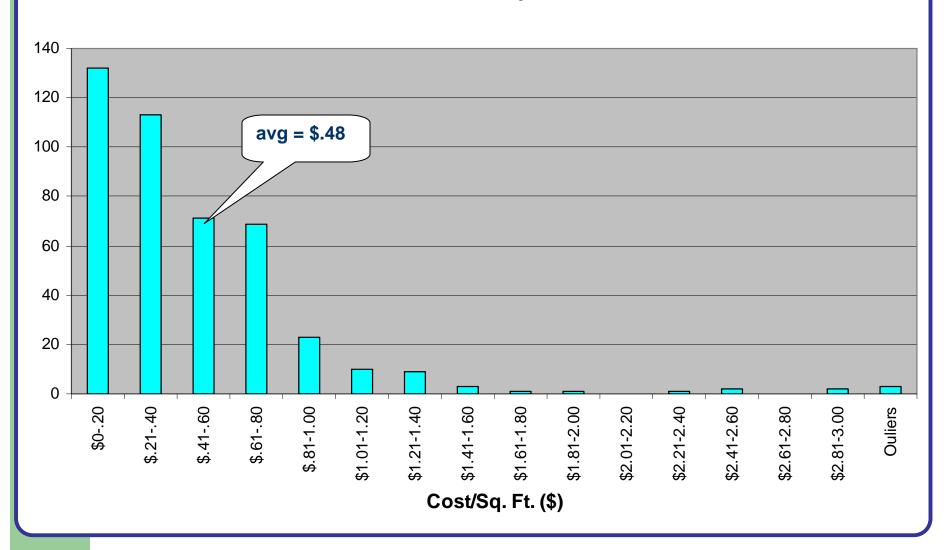


## CPC Buildings - Electric (Elevator) Costs Per Sq. Ft.



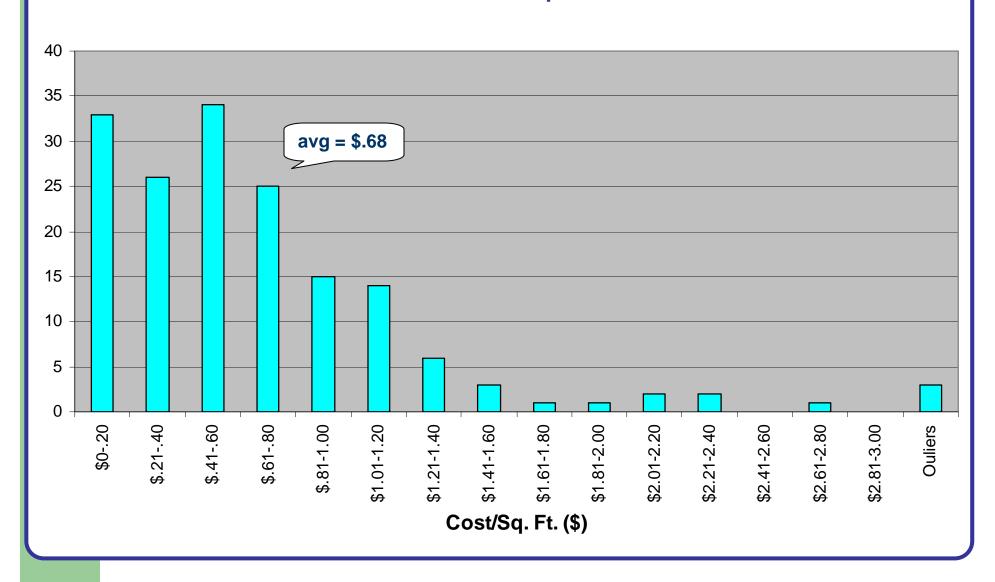


### CPC Buildings - Water and Sewer Costs Per Sq. Ft.





### **CPC Buildings - Water Meter Costs Per Sq. Ft.**



# Major Areas of Energy Inefficiency

Details that need more attention in every retrofit, rehab, and new construction job



### **Technical Inefficiency**

- 1. Tighten the buildings. Increase airsealing & firestopping in all apartment and common areas
- 2. Good Systems. More efficient and properly sized heating, air conditioning, and hot water makers.
- 3. Upgrade building controls. More efficient heating, cooling, and hot water controls
- 4. Save Water. Better toilets, showerheads, aerators for water and hot water savings.
- 5. Better Air. Upgrading of ventilation systems where present
- 6. Brighter spaces. Complete apartment, common area, and exterior lighting retrofit
- 7. Better Building Enclosure. Better specifications for windows and insulation



### **Owner to Banker Psychology**

- 8. Get Help from Building Professionals. You Don't Know Everything. Ask For Help. And Get Everyone Together in the same room to talk.
- 9. Talk to your peers that can help. Better coordination with existing programs: State, Federal, Utilities



# 2008 CPC Adopts a Green Lens: Prioritize Multifamily Retrofits

- An identified need in our communities
- Cuts across all neighborhoods, locations and property types
  - Urban, suburban, rural
- Recession based economic issue
  - All properties need to save money
- Reduction of green house gas
  - 30% comes from existing buildings great opportunity to achieve carbon reduction



#### **Does CPC Have a Role to Play?**

- CPC is well positioned to attack the problem
- We finance and refinance existing buildings
- We have more than 62,000 units of housing in our existing loan portfolio
- We have a captive audience
- Create a program and implement a plan
  - This should be easy...



# Create a Program: "The CPC Green Initiative"

- ONE BILLION DOLLARS!
- Construction and permanent financing
  - Target Market occupied multifamily properties
  - Audits benchmark the buildings, create a usage database
  - Monitor the retrofits and measure the savings
- Create a "One Stop Shop" for retrofit financing
  - Fold in the public incentives
  - Make retrofit part of the standard mortgage process



# **Implement a Plan:** Identify Green Investment Partners

- Freddie Mac PILOT Program in NYC
  - \$500 million
  - 25-35 basis point break on the rate
  - Higher leverage up to 80%
- New York City and State Pension Funds
  - 30 year fixed rate financing
- State of New York Mortgage Agency
  - Mortgage insurance for our loans
- Deutsche Bank, HSBC, Morgan Stanley, Amalgamated Bank, Met Life Bank, M&T Bank
  - \$150 million Construction Line of Credit



## Implement a Plan: 2. Create an Investment Platform

- The CPC "One Stop Shop"
  - Bring on the expertise
  - Include energy in our tech. asst. package
    - Educate the staff so they can educate the customer
  - Public/private partnerships
    - Reach out to government and learn their programs
  - Provide the private capital make loans
- Goal: minimize the brain damage to owners
  - Keep it simple so they will go along



# Implement a Plan: 3. Provide the Retrofit Financing

- Green our borrowers
  - Save them money and make them aware
- Green Our Mortgage Staff
  - Finance the retrofits create enthusiasm
- Green our Servicing Department
  - Add energy data to our database
- Prove the Benefits of Green Investment
  - Make our investors an economic return
- Reduce Green House Gas Emissions



#### It Ain't Easy Being Green!

- Obstacles Arise Across the Spectrum
  - 1. Resistance
  - 2. Lack of Education
  - 3. Lack of Flexible Public Programs
  - 4. Frozen Financial Markets
  - 5. Marginal Economics



#### Why Not Change the Mortgage System

- The majority of buildings have one thing in common:
   A Mortgage!
- Make an audit and retrofit part of the loan process
  - Third party report like an Appraisal or a Phase One
  - Can't borrow the money without it
- The Private Sector (money) needs to require and demand the retrofit
  - Legislatively: Green Reinvestment Act
  - Capitalistically: Green Mortgage Backed Security



#### **CPC's Green Initiative Approach**

- Utilize the CPC risk sharing model
- Keep the investments conservative
  - Existing, cash flowing buildings
  - No speculation
- Build a pipeline prove the model
- Carbon reduction problem = Disinvestment problem in New York City in 1974
- Point out to investors the business potential
  - Follow the legislative mandates



#### **CPC Green Initiative Goals**

- CPC's Program is meant to do all of this
- Make standard long term financing the glue that brings it all together
  - If the financing requires it it has to get done
  - Appraisal, environmental report, engineering report and now – AUDIT!
- Create a new mortgage delivery system
  - Engage capitalism



#### The End Result in the Ideal World

- Retrofit mortgage delivery system is adopted by other lenders
- CPC model is replicated across the country
- Freddie Mac rolls out its PILOT to other Seller/Servicers
- People are educated and system is improved as it goes along
- Education, streamlining and financing push past the tipping point - achieve retrofit at scale
  - Finally the delicious and nutritious fruit is harvested!

### **Case Studies**

