# Opportunity Zones: Whose Opportunity Is It?

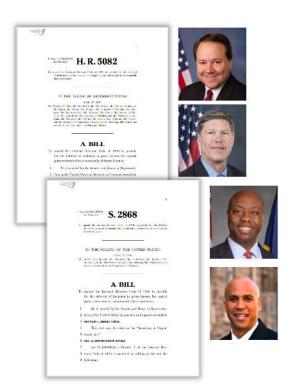
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## **Brief History**

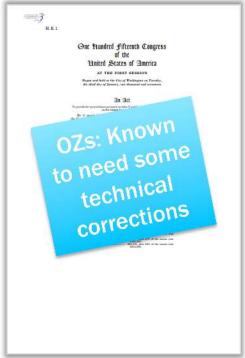
2016 Opportunity Zone Legislation



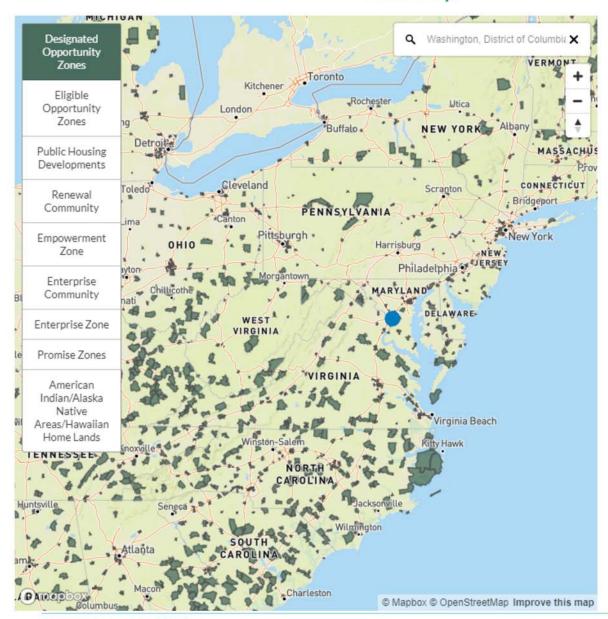
2017 Opportunity Zone Legislation



2017
Tax Cuts and
Jobs Act



#### www.novoco.com/OZMap



- Role of the governors
  - Tailored selection
  - Prioritized higherneed places
  - Zones average poverty rate: 31 percent



### 3 Tax Incentive Benefits

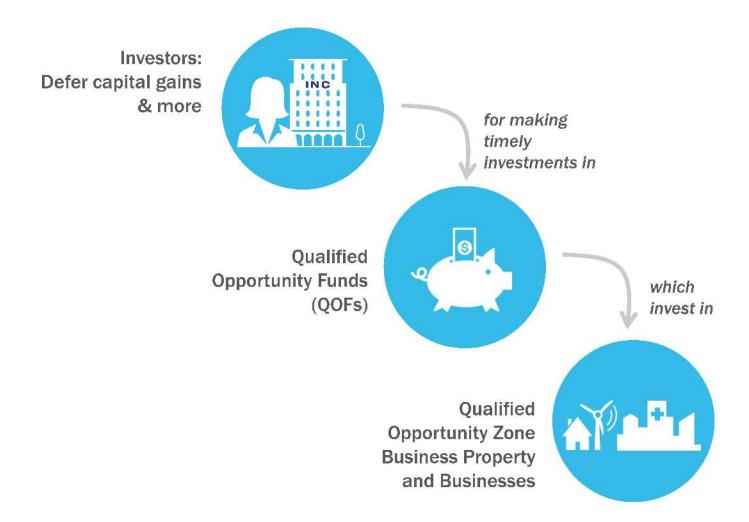
Capital
Gain Deferral

Defer to 12/31/2026 (or earlier)

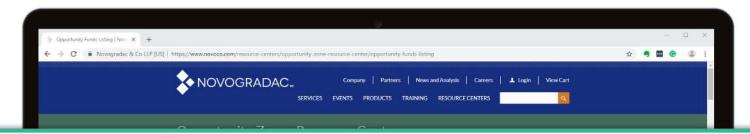
Partial forgiveness

5/7 year hold 10% - 12/31/2019 5% - 12/31/2021 Forgiveness of additional gains

Ten year hold FMV basis, when sell interest in Fund



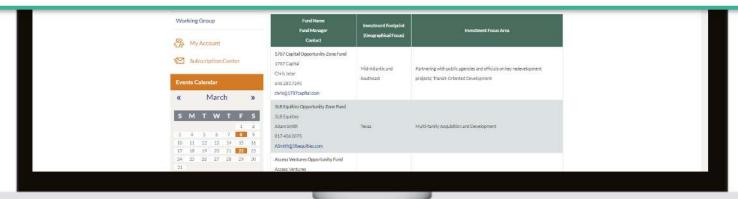
#### www.OpportunityZonesResourceCenter.com



#### Opportunity Funds Listing

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The 87 funds listed on this page represent more than \$20 billion in community development investing capacity.



#### Opportunity Zones Resource Center

#### 1. October 2018

- Thorough overview is available at www.novoco.com/blog
- Biggest takeaway: addressed significant gating issues



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incentive was part of the tax reform legislation passed last December. Since enactment of OZs, many investors and fund managers have been identifying and underwriting investments, organizing funds, and otherwise preparing to invest in distressed areas. But many remained on the sidelines, eagerly and anxiously anticipating tax guidance from Treasury. Friday's guidance release (Treasury will accept comments for 60 days) means the OZ community has actionable clarity on significant tax issues. The release of this guidance will lead many investors and fund managers to begin to invest capital in OZ

This investment could be significant. The Economic Innovation Group

businesses and OZ business property.

## Regulatory Guidance

#### **Three Tranches**

- 1. October 2018
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- 2. March/April 2019
- May include guidance on:
  - Federal income tax treatment of interim gains
  - "Reasonable period to reinvest" proceeds from the sale of qualifying assets
  - Measurement rules for leased property
  - Application of the 50 percent gross income in the OZ rule
  - Whether unimproved land needs to be substantially improved
  - Tax consequences of the distribution of refinance proceeds

- 3. Later 2019
- · Anti-abuse?
- Decertification?
- Reporting?



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