

# Narrative of **Exclusion**

- Intentionally **dehumanizes** target. [*“They’re bringing drugs. They’re bringing crime. They’re rapists.”* OR *“Makers vs. Takers”*, OR *“the 47%”*, OR *Welfare Queen, super-predator, crack-baby.....*]
- Exaggerates the notion of scarcity. Posits a **zero-sum competition** for resources between groups.
- Looks to the past with nostalgia and to the future with fear.

# Narrative of **Inclusion**

- Changes the narrator allowing people to tell their own story, speaking to shared humanity.
- Broadens the lens to show mutual dependence and interconnected fates. Highlights abundance.
- Looks to the past with realism and to the future with purpose and hope.

- Agency
- Belonging
- Changing the Odds



# ABC

➤ **A = AGENCY ~ Power.**

**The ability to exert voice and power in community leaders.**

**If equity is the goal, we have to address power differentials. Build social, political and economic power in a critical mass of residents. (Critical mass ~1%).**

# ABC

## ➤ B = BELONGING.

The dominant narrative is one of exclusion. We have to create, with community partners, a strong narrative of inclusion. Address trauma and create space for healing.

The spirit of inclusion provides for a shared sense of purpose in community.

# ABC

- **C=Change the Conditions. Change the Odds.** Opportunity structures are critical particularly schools and criminal justice system in the lives of young people of color.
- Health inequities are structurally and systematically manufactured by the conditions that families and communities struggle against.

# Why Place Matters





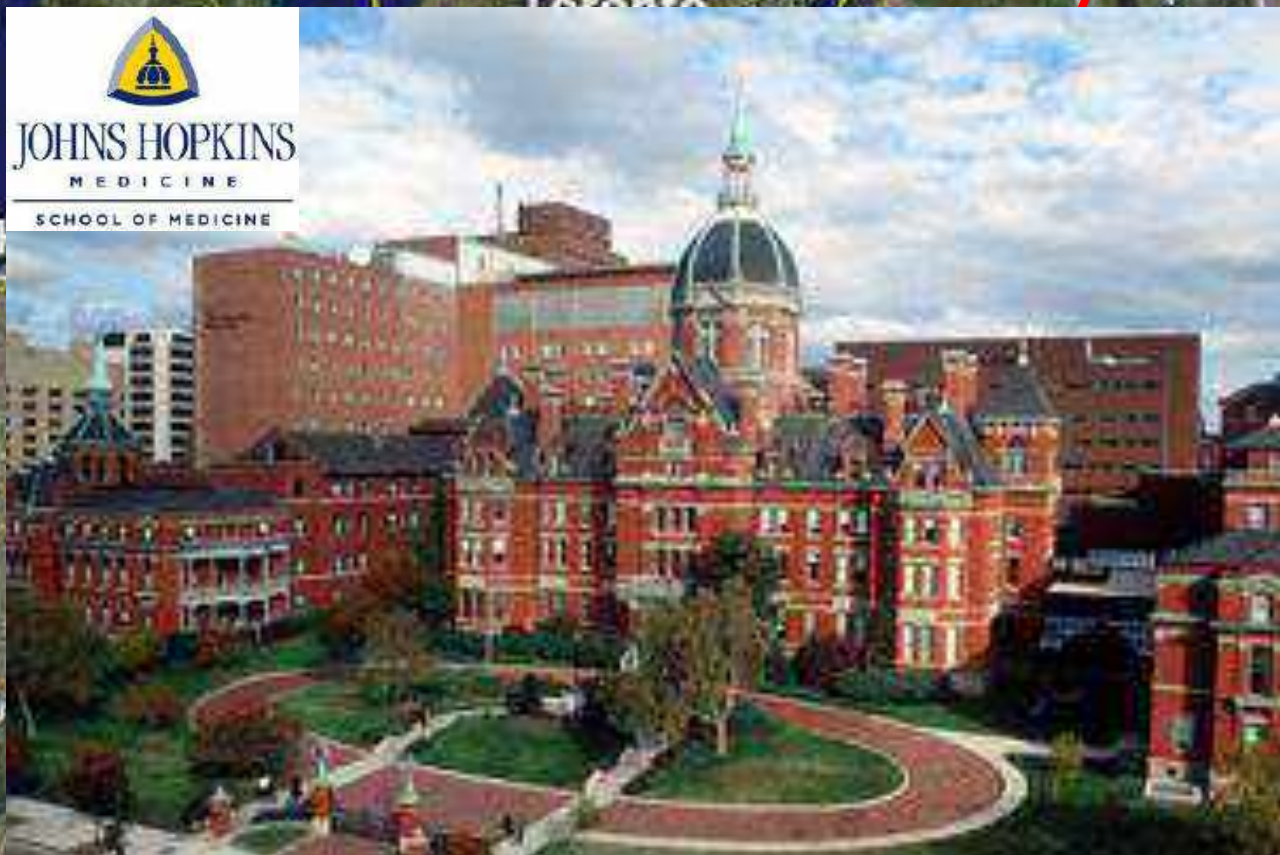
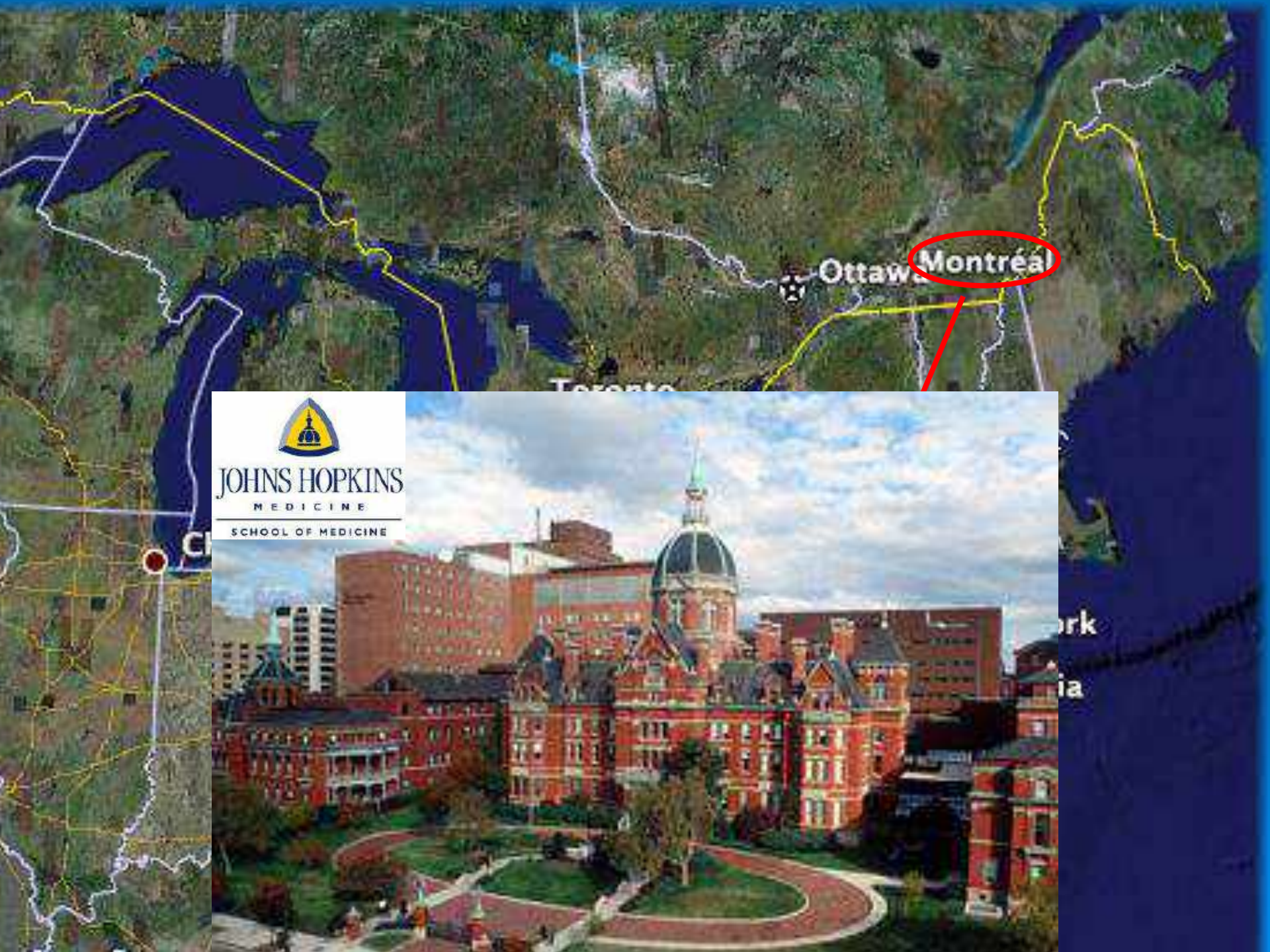




# Canadian Social Contract

- Universal health insurance-Canada Health Act
- Universal dental care to age 10
- Universal child care benefit
- Paid sick leave and vacation
- State of the art public transportation
- Highly subsidized post secondary education
- High quality community resources-parks, sports leagues, libraries, community centers









LIFE



# 142 cases of HIV linked to illegal drugs

Many cases in Scott County are traced to people injecting Opana, a prescription painkiller similar to heroin and sold in pill form.



**Oxymorphone**  
An opioid painkiller  
sold under names



Opana is a hard pill that is difficult to crush and dissolve for injection drug use. For that reason, users find larger needles are necessary.



To slow the rise in HIV, Indiana has



**Racial demographics of Scott County and Indiana (2013)**

