Tucson Visual Arts Complex
Site Acquisition
Proposal:
Secure site to create a Visual Arts Complex, a critical element for development of a Downtown Tucson Cultural District

Visual Arts Complex is:
- Active, flexible, mixed-use space
- Include office, retail, and residential
- Indoor and outdoor community space
- Light/clean manufacturing, educational, museums, and gallery uses
Visual Arts Center critical to District

- Cultural and Innovation District builds on existing assets
  - Tucson Museum of Art
  - Tucson’s January 8th Memorial
  - Tucson Convention Center
  - Eckbo Fountains
  - Museum of Contemporary Art
  - SunLink Streetcar

- And many others within 10 minutes walking distance of streetcar
Benefits of the Cultural & Innovation District accrue to all

- Drive increased private investment
- Foster job creation
- Attract and retain young workers
- Create a destination for local and international tourists

- An identifiable district is greater than the sum of the parts
District has community support

- Proposal supported by a growing coalition of non-profit and other groups, including:
  - Tucson’s January 8th Memorial Foundation
  - Tucson Museum of Art
  - Downtown Tucson Partnership Merchant’s Council
  - University of Arizona
Thank You