



## Pittsburg Land Bank Frequently Asked Questions

### What is the purpose of the Pittsburg Land Bank?

The Pittsburg Land Bank has the primary responsibility and authority to efficiently acquire, hold, manage, transform, and convey abandoned, tax-foreclosed, or otherwise under-utilized or distressed properties into productive use.

### How does the Pittsburg Land Bank acquire property?

The Pittsburg Land Bank acquires property through purchase, owner donation, or tax foreclosure.

### What types of property are held by the Pittsburg Land Bank?

The Pittsburg Land Bank is divided into three types of parcels:

- **Parcels with a Structure:** Parcels of land with existing structures, including homes, garages, and businesses.
- **Buildable Parcels:** Parcels of land without any free-standing structures before purchase, where structures such as houses or other large buildings can be built.
- **Non-Buildable Parcels:** Parcels where houses or other large buildings cannot be built, but garages, fencing, paving, or other similar structures can be built.

### Who manages the property in the Pittsburg Land Bank?

The Pittsburg Land Bank Board of Trustees operates the Land Bank through the Director of Community Development and Housing.

### How can I donate property to the Pittsburg Land Bank?

To donate property to the Pittsburg Land Bank, please contact DeAnna Goering, Neighborhood Redevelopment Manager, at 620-230-5551 or by email at [deanna.goering@pittks.org](mailto:deanna.goering@pittks.org). The Pittsburg Land Bank will provide you with a letter stating that you donated a property and will list the property's assessed value.

### What is the benefit of donating property to the Pittsburg Land Bank?

Once the Pittsburg Land Bank takes ownership of the property, the Land Bank becomes responsible for all code violations and maintenance issues on the property. The donor is relieved of his or her back taxes and may receive some income tax benefit from the donation. Check with your financial advisor to be sure of the tax benefit.

### How can I purchase a property from the Pittsburg Land Bank?

To view available properties in the Land Bank, please visit the Land Bank's website at <https://www.pittks.org/economic-development/community-development-and-housing/land-bank/>. Here you can view all of the parcels in the Land Bank, as well as parcels being marketed for Economic Development. You can submit an inquiry directly from the website, or you can contact DeAnna Goering, Neighborhood Redevelopment Manager, at 620-230-5551, or by email at [deanna.goering@pittks.org](mailto:deanna.goering@pittks.org) to obtain an application.

### How much do the properties cost?

Properties are priced at 75% of the appraisal price, as determined by the Crawford County Appraiser's Office. Pricing information for each property can be found here: <https://www.pittks.org/economic-development/community-development-and-housing/land-bank/>.