

## Reuse Series Introduction

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Many existing structures that are underutilized or abandoned have a strong potential for economic and community growth. Avoiding destruction and high reconstruction costs, planners and developers can creatively assign alternative uses and design to existing structures. This series includes photos of several different building types. While viewing these photos you may choose to consider how the following keywords apply to each photo. Then, consider how these keywords may apply to similar present and future structures within your community.

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Reuse Definition:

To use again, especially after salvaging or special treatment or processing. (*The American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language*)

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Keywords:

economic growth, aesthetic rehabilitation, increased jobs and residents, revitalize existing structures for the same or different type of use, historic preservation, retains architecture from the past, infill, redevelopment agency (RDA), redevelopment, industrial