



# DURAND HIGH SCHOOL

Historic Preservation Tax Credits



Built in 1920, the former Durand High School served as the center of education and a community gathering place from 1920 through 1965. The Woda Group, LLC, discovered the site in 2005 and set about adapting the building for a new use. Prior to the rehabilitation the building was deteriorating at a rapid rate and becoming an eyesore in the community. With support from surrounding neighbors, business owners, the City of Durand, Shiawassee County and Federal and State Historic Preservation Tax Credits, the Woda Group transformed the decaying school into Sycamore House, a community for senior citizens that puts

them within walking distance of downtown Durand. Additional investment and revitalization activities are now taking place in the neighborhood and downtown.

- Direct Investment: \$16,280,563
- Indirect Investment: \$18,559,842
- Federal Credit: \$1,413,716
- State Credit: \$353,429
- Economic Impact: \$34,840,405
- Jobs Created: 402

**Location:** 100 Sycamore Street, Durand  
**Project Contact:** Sycamore House, LLC/David Cooper, Jr.  
**Completed:** 2010

