Layfayette Park Project:
[ A 78 acre development which incorporated high-rise apartment buildings, multi-unit townhouses, schools, shopping and a community atmosphere was Mies Van der Rohe's vision for this new idea of community living. Started around 1956 and finished in 1965, this conceptual living style lived up to its promise of bringing affordable and communal living to an otherwise abandoned neighborhood.]

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Lafayette Park Siting:

[Lafayette Park offers the best of urban living. Sited close in its proximity to the center of Detroit, Michigan, it allows residents to enjoy the proximity of downtown Detroit, while still retaining its identity. Mies along with landscape Architect, Alfred Caldwell, were able to provide a community that was able to work in unison with the automobile without becoming dependent upon it. Lafayette Park has earned the nickname, "A city within a city". This project is a good example of how impoverished neighborhoods can not only be redeveloped, but can also thrive in the process.]
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[Town houses, communal yard]

[High Rise Apartments]

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