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7th Annual New Partners for Smart Growth: Building Safe, Healthy and Livable Communities

February 7-9, 2008
Marriott Wardman Park Hotel
Washington, DC

Presented by the Local Government Commission



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■ FOR CONFERENCE INFORMATION

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“Smart growth is smart for our environment, smart for our economy and smart for our quality-of-life. The EPA is proud to sponsor this annual conference promoting innovative, collaborative solutions to protect our air, water and land, while strengthening our communities.”

– Administrator Stephen L. Johnson, U.S. EPA

About the Event

A conference for leaders throughout the nation who want to improve the health, safety and vitality of neighborhoods and the quality of life for all residents.

February 7-9, 2008 ■ Washington, DC

For the 2008 edition of the New Partners Conference, smart growth will come to our nation's capital. The ideal spot for this year's event, participants will find in Washington, DC, a unique blend of cultural vibrancy, economic growth and historic landmarks. For professionals from all walks of life, the region also reveals the future, a pace-setting laboratory of innovative smart-growth practices – from successful transit solutions to creative housing strategies to clean air and water benchmarks.

The Program

The 2008 program will span three full days and feature cutting-edge smart growth issues, the latest research, implementation tools and strategies, successful case studies, interactive learning experiences, new partners, new projects and new policies. Most importantly, this dynamic event offers you the opportunity to network and coordinate with your peers as well as practitioners from many different disciplines with the same goal – building safe, healthy and livable communities for all.

Who Should Attend

The conference will draw a multidisciplinary audience of local elected officials, city and county staff, landscape architects, developers and builders, planners, transportation professionals and traffic engineers, public health professionals, architects, bankers, realtors, urban designers, parks and recreation professionals, environmentalists, crime prevention professionals, advocates for older adults and youth, bicycle and pedestrian advocates, advocates for social equity and affordable housing, labor representatives, and all others committed to building safer, healthier, and more livable communities everywhere.

A Green Event

The Local Government Commission and conference partners have stepped up our commitment this year to ensure that the conference is a “greener” event. We are producing fewer printed materials, and instead posting and distributing more information electronically. (That's why we are directing you to the conference web site to obtain a registration form.) We are working with the hotel to ensure on-site recycling is available, and only reusable utensils, napkins and tablecloths are used. We are also working with some of our project partners and DC-area food co-ops to try to include locally grown food in the conference menu. For more details about these and other efforts underway to make this event greener, please visit the conference web site.



While you're in DC, join us on a trip to Capitol Hill!

See the Capitol and meet with several legislators to discuss key smart growth issues on Wednesday, February 6. It will also be a great opportunity to make legislators aware of the wide range of organizations and groups coming together to address these issues. Possible issues could include climate change, transportation reauthorization, affordable housing trust, infrastructure and water. Visit the conference web site for more details and to sign up to participate!

Invited Speakers

The conference program will feature more than 100 sessions and over 300 speakers, including:

- Congressman Earl Blumenauer (Oregon)
- James Charlier, AICP, President, Charlier Associates
- Senator Norm Coleman (Minnesota)
- Reid Ewing, Professor, National Center for Smart Growth, University of Maryland
- Mayor Adrian Fenty, District of Columbia
- U.S. EPA Administrator Stephen Johnson
- Senator Carl Levin (Michigan)
- Shelley Poticha, President, Reconnecting America
- Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger (California)
- Terry Tamminen, Climate Policy Program Director, New America Foundation

Conference Sponsors

We would like to thank our many funders and the more than 100 co-sponsoring organizations that have helped shape and promote this event. For a complete list of funders and cosponsors:

www.NewPartners.org

Conference Agenda



The conference program spans three full days, includes over 100 sessions and over 300 speakers. The complete list of sessions can be found on the conference web site. Below are just some of the plenaries, workshops, breakouts and trainings you will find on the program.

Please note that we are still finalizing sessions and making adjustments to the three-day conference schedule. Information about the date and time for each session can be found on the conference web site.

CONFERENCE SESSIONS

■ Thursday Plenaries

Getting to Smart Growth:
Local and Federal Collaboration
Taking Action to Preserve the Environment
Smart Growth on the Hill

■ Friday Plenary

Let's Change the Climate: State Leadership
for Achieving a Better Environment

■ Saturday Plenaries

The Overall Smart Growth Agenda: Strategies for
Efficient, Predictable and Profitable Development
Getting to "Green TEA" – Strategies for
a Smarter Approach to Reauthorization

■ Workshop, Breakout and Training Session Topics include:

Integrating Sustainability and Urbanism
TOD Decision-Making: One Size Does Not Fit All
Maintaining Rural Character in Communities
and the Landscape
When a County Codes for Smart Growth
Connecting Urban Parks: Public Realm
for Lovable Cities
Campus Partners for Smart Growth
Opening the Farm Gate of Local Food Systems
Tribal Lands Conservation and Smart Growth
Integrating Affordable Housing into
the Regional Smart Growth Agenda
How to Gain Organized Labor's Support
for Smart Growth
Creating Complete, Sustainable Neighborhoods
through Form-based Codes
Faith-based Development
Transit-Oriented Development Districts:
The Reality of Design, Planning and Construction
Traffic Calming and Master Plans

Schools and Local Governments:
Partnering for the Community's Future
Livable Centers: Increasing Mobility Choices
Sustainable Streets and Safe Routes to School
Context Sensitive Solutions
Affordable Neighborhoods, Not Projects
Advancing Smart Growth with Innovative
Transportation Finance
Making the Connection between
Land Use Decisions and Water
Military Installations and Neighboring
Communities: Encroachment or Enhancement?
Smart Stormwater: The Future of Municipal
Stormwater Management in the U.S.
Equitable Development Is Smart
Revitalizing Diverse Communities: Creative Local
Strategies for Preserving Affordable Housing
Developing Housing Options for All
Smart Growth Alliance Success Stories
Putting People First – Human Scale Design
How to Generate Great Architecture
for Smart Growth Projects
Citizen Participation and Meeting Facilitation Tools
Collaboration Strategies for Public Health
Officials and Planning Professionals
Growing Cooler: The Evidence on Urban
Development and Climate Change
Planning to Eat Well: Creating Healthy Food
Environments by Intention

Health Equity, Environmental Justice
and the Built Environment
Making the Business Case for Smart Growth
Eco-Cities
Lessons from Katrina
2008: A Big Year at the Polls for
Smart Growth and Conservation
GIS-based Tools to Measure and Reduce
Local Government Carbon Footprints
Where is the Money? Trends and Priorities
in Smart Growth Funding
Comprehensive Complete Streets: Providing
for Transit, Disabled People and Older Adults
Encouraging Smart Growth from "Capitol Hill"
Leading State Legislation on Smart Growth
Global Warming and Smart Growth: What Do
We Know and How Do We Talk About It?
Making the Connections: Climate Change,
Public Health and Smart Growth
Planning for Climate Change and Alternative
Energy through Smart Growth
SafeGrowth: Leveraging Resources
and Alliances to Prevent Crime
Regional Smart Growth: Visioning, Planning
and Implementation
Surviving a Tsunami: Boomers and the Age
Wave in Select Suburban Communities
Streetcar: The Sustainable Transportation Mode
From Vacant to Reusable
Neighborhood Historic Preservation
Smart Growth at the "Water's Edge"
Cultural and Ecological Expression
in the Urban Landscape
Smart Growth through Urban Forestry
Emergency Response and Smart Growth



Promoting Healthy Eating and Active Living through Improvements in the Built Environment: What Health Professionals Need to Know and What They Can Do

■ OPTIONAL WORKSHOP – Thursday, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

This day-long session will explore how health professionals can influence community design to help create health-promoting live, work and play environments, and focus on practical skills and knowledge for contributing to environmental and policy changes. (Pre-registration and \$55 fee required)

For more details on the program and tours or to register, visit www.NewPartners.org

Optional Tours of Local Model Projects

All tours carry a small fee to cover transportation costs and refreshments. It is possible to sign up for more than one tour. Visit the conference web site for tour details and fees. Space on each tour is limited, and pre-registration is required.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7

- Smart Growth Meets Smart Food
- DC Neighborhood Transformations: Lessons in Equity and Community Development
- A New Look at Traditional Neighborhood Development: Kentlands and King Farm
- Successful Non-Rail Transit Development Projects in Arlington County
- Fairfax County Signature Projects: Tysons Corner and Reston Town Center
- Revitalizing a Corridor through the Arts: Lessons Learned from Mt. Rainier and Hyattsville, Prince George's County, MD
- Green DC: Innovations in Stormwater, Green Roofs and Low Impact Development
- Arlington's 30 Years of Smart Growth in the Rosslyn-Ballston Corridor
- Master Plans at the Banks of the Potomac: National Harbor and the Carlyle Development
- Scoring for Smart Growth at Gallery Place-Chinatown-Arena and Nationals Stadium
- Turning Downtown Rockville from a Greyfield into a Thriving Mixed-Use Town Center

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10

- Arlington's Approach to Affordable Housing in the Rosslyn-Ballston Corridor
- Creating the Climate for Revitalization of Downtown Silver Spring
- Congress Heights: A Study in Neighborhood Stabilization, Investment and Diversity
- L'Enfant's DC: Grand Civic and Public Space in Our Nation's Capital

■ CONFERENCE FEES AND REGISTRATION

To register, please visit the online registration system on our conference web site – www.NewPartners.org. You can also download the registration form and mail it in.

Registration fees cover all materials and sessions (except where noted) and meals for February 7 reception; continental breakfast and refreshment breaks on February 8; and continental breakfast, lunch and refreshment breaks on February 9. Registration deadline is January 25. All registrations received after this date will be subject to a \$50 late fee. All walk-in registrations will be subject to an additional \$35 walk-in fee.

■ GROUP RATES

A \$20 discount off the registration fee will be offered to groups sending five or more participants. The discount applies only to the public/nonprofit and private-sector "full conference rates." To take advantage of these group rates, all qualifying registrations must be received at the same time with payment.

■ SCHOLARSHIPS

A limited number of need-based scholarships to cover registration fees will be given to participants who would not otherwise be able to attend. Priority will be given to individuals representing small nonprofits, community-based and grassroots organizations, and those traveling to Washington, DC from other states.

■ LOCATION AND ACCOMMODATIONS



The 7th Annual New Partners for Smart Growth conference will be held February 7-9, 2008, at the Marriott Wardman Park Hotel in Washington, DC (2660 Woodley Road NW). The group room rate is \$201 single occupancy or \$231 double occupancy, plus tax. Group rates will be honored 3 days before the event starts and 3 days after the event ends, based on availability. **The reservation cut-off date for the group rate is January 14, 2008, at 5 p.m. EST.** After that date, the group rate is subject to availability and is not guaranteed.

To make a room reservation, call (800) 228-9290. To receive the hotel's group rate, please indicate you are attending the New Partners Conference. The hotel has a 72-hour cancellation policy.

■ AIR TRAVEL DISCOUNTS AND GROUND TRANSPORTATION

The Local Government Commission has arranged discounted airfare rates with American Airlines for conference attendees traveling to and from the three area airports – Reagan National, Washington Dulles International and Baltimore International. There are several options for getting from these major airports to/from the hotel, including public transportation. Please visit the conference web site for more details.

■ ACCREDITATION

Accreditation may be available for certain professions. Please check the conference web site for details or send an email inquiry to nnichols@lgc.org.

■ Full Conference Rates (all 3 days)

- \$309 Public/nonprofit
- \$359 Private-sector
- \$289 LGC member public/nonprofit
- \$339 LGC member private-sector
- \$289 Group public/nonprofit
- \$339 Group private-sector
- \$219 College student

■ Daily Registration Fees

- \$129 Thursday only (not including tours or optional workshop)
- \$199 Friday only
- \$199 Saturday only

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