4th Annual
Livable Communities Forum

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REGISTER TODAY!
The Regional and Intergovernmental Planning Division, with support from the Lincoln Institute of Land Policy, will hold the 4th Annual Livable Communities Forum prior to the American Planning Association National Planning Conference.

Friday, May 5, 2017
8:30 AM - 5:00 PM
Ford Foundation, Times Square Meeting Room
1440 Broadway, New York City

The 2017 Forum Will

- Share details on livable communities program implementation and tangible ways these programs are influencing larger planning, performance measures and funding programs within regions;
- Spotlight emerging practices on regional approaches to housing issues, with particular focus on how regional agencies are engaging in affordable housing, displacement and gentrification challenges;
- Facilitate peer learning and networking among professional regional planners working in Metropolitan Planning Organizations and regional planning agencies from across the country.

Program

8:30 – 9:00 am  Continental Breakfast and Networking

9:00 – 10:00 am  Welcome and Introductions

Welcome and Division remarks by Mark VanderSchaaf, Chair of APA's Regional and Intergovernmental Planning Division and Amy Cotter, Lincoln Institute of Land Policy

10:00 - 11:00 am  New York Regional Transit-Oriented Development

Representatives from the New York City Metropolitan Area will spotlight regional rail planning and housing efforts within the larger New York tri-state area, sharing new data on housing and housing at regional transportation centers, and ideas for zoning reform.

- Moses Gates, Regional Plan Association
- Gerry Bogacz, New York Metropolitan Transportation Council
- Jeff Perlman, North Jersey Transportation Planning Agency

11:00 – 11:15 am  Break

11:15 – 12:15 pm  Emerging Practices with Regional Livability Programs
Spotlighting regional livability programs that advance local implementation of land use and transportation practices to support regional goals. The session highlights programs in metropolitan areas of different sizes, budgets and geographies. Facilitator: Lee Schoenecker, APA Regional and Intergovernmental Planning Division.

- Sandy Misiewicz, Capital District Transportation Committee, Albany-Schenectady-Saratoga Springs, NY Region
- Ryan Noles, Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency, Cleveland, OH Region
- Lamont Cobb, Washington Metropolitan Council of Governments, Washington, DC Region
- Becky Bradley, Lehigh Valley Planning Commission, Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton, PA Region
- Bill Swiatek, Wilmington Area Planning Council, Wilmington, DE Region

12:15 – 1:00 pm On-site Networking Lunch

1:00 – 2:15 pm Evolution of Regional Livability Programs: Evaluation and Communications

Facilitated discussion with four regions who have established performance measures, monitoring and/or communication programs to evaluate and communicate impacts of regional livable communities programs and embed principles of livability within broader capital programming. Facilitator: Ken Kirkey, Metropolitan Transportation Commission

- Karla Weaver, North Central Texas Council of Governments, Dallas-Fort Worth, TX Region
- Beth Dawson, Mid-America Regional Council, Kansas City, MO-KS Region
- Bob Dean, Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning, Chicago, IL Region
- James Corless, Sacramento Council of Governments, Sacramento, CA Region

2:15 – 2:30 pm Break

2:30 – 3:30 pm Evolution of Regional Livability Programs: Gentrification

Facilitated discussion with regions who are addressing gentrification and regional housing affordability within the context of access to opportunity and fair housing, including how livable communities programs are being used to support this work at the local level. Facilitator: Ralph Willmer, Metropolitan Area Planning Council, Boston, MA Region.

- Carolina Ilic, San Diego Association of Governments, San Diego, CA Region
- Barry Seymour, Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission, Philadelphia, PA-NJ Region
- Elissa Gertler, Portland Metro, Portland, OR Region
3:30 – 4:30 pm  Evolving National Context for Regional Planning

Facilitated discussion of new and emerging federal policies and national programs that support livability, and specifically stronger linkages between transportation and housing, environmental justice and other emerging federal issues. Moderator: Dan Reuter, APA Legislative Committee and Regional and Intergovernmental Planning Division.

- Jason Jordan, American Planning Association
- Joe McKinney, National Association of Development Organizations
- Mariia Zimmerman, Strong, Prosperous and Resilient Communities Challenge

4:30 – 5:00  Wrap Up and Next Steps for the Division

Presentation and discussion lead by Mark VanderSchaaf, Chair, Intergovernmental and Regional Planning Division.

Registration

There is no charge to attend the Forum but, you do need to RSVP by April 17, 2017. Participation is limited to the first 50 professionals. Register today at: https://goo.gl/forms/6U6DtnQpeEwnu2hM2

Breakfast and lunch provided. Unofficial Happy Hour to follow the Forum.

Travel grants are being made available upon application to the Lincoln Institute of Land Policy. Applications for travel support will be accepted through March 31st at: https://goo.gl/forms/7mrj87oH0GTkIU0e2

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The Regional and Intergovernmental Planning Division is growing our reach by expanding our communications to a new platform. We recently, launched a Twitter feed, @APARegions, to allow the Division membership, planners and people interested in county, regional, state and federal planning issues to discuss, react and share in real time.

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- Keep up with trends in planning through our e-news.
- Be part of a diverse division; with planners who work locally, regionally and at state levels.
- Play a role in an active work plan for 2017 - we welcome your participation!

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