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Charlotte, North Carolina

10th Annual New Partners for Smart Growth: Building Safe, Healthy and Livable Communities

Presented by the Local Government Commission. Look for more details in the coming months: www.NewPartners.org

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Save the Date 2011: It's never too early to start thinking about next year!

■ Smart Growth and Southern Charm

The 2011 New Partners Conference will head east to Charlotte, NC. More than a NASCAR mecca and a financial epicenter, this burgeoning hub of the Southeast has the excitement of a cosmopolitan city, yet maintains the friendliness of a small town with Southern charm.

Today, we are faced with environmental, social and economic challenges that will define our generation, shape our future, and test our resilience as neighborhoods, cities and a nation. Join leaders from across the U.S. as we tackle these challenges head-on and demonstrate smart growth solutions that will reduce our dependence on foreign oil, create a green economy, assure a healthy population, foster more equitable development, and expand transportation and housing options for all Americans.

In these tough economic times when communities everywhere are struggling for fiscal survival, this timely conference will identify innovative ways to finance smart growth, explore creative techniques for reducing infrastructure and service costs, and provide concrete ideas for employing smart growth as a tool for economic vitality.

■ Working Together

Appealing to many different disciplines, the conference will draw a national audience of local elected officials and city and county staff; professionals in planning, transportation, public health, landscape architecture, architecture, parks and recreation, and crime prevention; realtors, bankers, developers and builders; advocates for youth, seniors, equity and environmental justice, and walking and biking; labor representatives; school leaders and staff;

environmentalists; and all others committed to building safer, healthier and more livable communities everywhere.

■ An Action-Packed Program

The program will kick off on Thursday morning and continue through Saturday afternoon and includes a dynamic mix of plenaries, breakouts, implementation workshops, trainings and networking activities. Pre-conference workshops will be offered, along with exciting tours of local model projects from Charlotte and the surrounding region.

There's something for everybody, from veteran experts to smart-growth novices, with over 95 sessions and workshops. Learn from hundreds of speakers who cross disciplines to share insights, valuable tools and strategies for making smart growth a success in your community. The program will be infused with sessions and case studies focusing on equity and environmental justice issues.

■ Locations and Accommodations

The conference will be held at the Westin Charlotte Hotel. The Westin is offering a group rate of \$100 sgl/dbl occupancy. Call (866) 837-4148 to make a reservation and indicate you are attending the New Partners Conference.



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**For updated conference & registration info:
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