



CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS - ROUND I

1:45 pm - 3:00 pm, MONDAY, JUNE 28, 2010

Choice Neighborhoods: A New Dimension in Public Housing

In 2009, HUD announced a new comprehensive approach to transform neighborhoods of extreme poverty into sustainable mixed income neighborhoods with well-functioning services, schools, public assets, transportation and access to jobs. Of particular interest is HUD's encouragement for housing authorities to incorporate early childhood education components into their planning process. You will learn about HUD's strategy to expand urban revitalization beyond the public housing complex in this workshop.

Brownfield Redevelopment: From Remediation to Reuse

Under the Partnership for Sustainable Communities, HUD, DOT and EPA are looking to maximize the impact of available federal resources on transit, housing and brownfield to leverage additional private investment. Participate in this workshop to gain insight about overcoming serious financial and environmental barriers to redevelop brownfield, remove blight and environmental contamination and create a catalyst for neighborhood revitalization.

Eco-Villages and Conservation-Based Subdivisions

The preservation of high priority open spaces such as stream corridors, meadows or forests in conservation-based sub-divisions can not only absorb rainfall but also provide valuable opportunities for recreation and wildlife habitat. Likewise, eco-villages are planned communities that emphasize low environmental impacts, use energy efficient systems and alternative energy resources to reduce carbon emissions. You will gain valuable knowledge about these sustainable development concepts in this workshop.

Integrated Regional Planning: A Tool to Manage Growth or Economic Recovery

Many NC communities are engaged in regional planning. Some are prospering, but still facing challenges resulting from peak oil dependence and climate change. Others are facing devastation brought about by severe economic downturn. To become a resilient, lasting community capable of surviving crises will require hope, confidence and inner strength. Join this workshop to examine real communities grappling with these challenges through planning processes but pursuing pathways to become "cities of hope."