

Partnership for Sustainable Communities



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What Are Sustainable/Livable Communities?



Sustainable Communities revitalize neighborhoods, use resources efficiently, protect and preserve farmland and open space, offer affordable housing, and provide more transportation choices.



PARTNERSHIP FOR SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES

Mission

To meet the President's challenge for our agencies to work together to encourage and fully assist rural, suburban, and urban areas to build sustainable communities, and to make sustainable communities the leading style of development in the United States.

The Partnership is focused on ensuring that federal investments, policies, and actions do not subsidize sprawl but do **support development in more efficient and sustainable locations.**



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Guiding Principles

1. Provide more transportation choices.
2. Promote equitable, affordable housing.
3. Enhance economic competitiveness.
4. Support existing communities.
5. Coordinate policies and leverage investment.
6. Value communities and neighborhoods.



What We Want to Do: Increase Community Benefits

- Reduce household transportation costs.
- Attract private investment.
- Avoid infrastructure costs.
- Strengthen neighborhood property values.
- Protect farmland and open space.
- Deliver equitable investments.
- Improve public health and mobility for all ages.



Our Plan of Action

We Are Changing our “Everyday Business” to integrate the principles of Sustainable Communities into our Core Work.

This means incorporating these principles in our policies, funding decisions and performance expectations.



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HUD's Strategic Goal

- Build Inclusive and Sustainable Communities Free From Discrimination



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HUD's Sustainable Communities Initiative (SCI) Objectives

- Catalyze economic development and job creation, while enhancing and preserving community assets
- Promote energy-efficient buildings and location-efficient communities that are healthy, affordable, and diverse
- Ensure open, diverse, and equitable communities
- Facilitate disaster preparedness, recovery, and resiliency
- Build the capacity of local, state, and regional public and private organizations

Implementing HUD's Programs: Goal 4. Build Inclusive and Sustainable Communities Free From Discrimination

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Brownfields Economic Development Initiative	•	•	•		•
Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) (Catalytic Competition)	•	*			
CDBG Disaster Recovery Program	•	*		•	
CDBG Homelessness Prevention Program	•	•	•		
CDBG University Community Fund	•	•			•
Empowerment Zone	•	•	•		•
Enterprise Community Partnerships	•	•			•
Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)			•		
Housing Trust Fund		*		*	*
Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP)	•	•	•		•
Public Housing		•	•		•
Public Housing Modernization Program		•	•		•
Self-Help Homeownership and Opportunity Program (SHOP)			•		•
Fair Housing (Enforcement and Compliance)	•		•		•
Fair Housing (Marketing and Outreach)	•	•	•		•
FHA Hospitals and Nursing Homes	•	•		*	
FHA Multifamily Housing		•	•	•	
FHA Single Family Forward Mortgage Program		•	•	*	
Home Equity Conversion Mortgage (HECM) Program (Section 255)		*	•	*	
Housing Counseling Assistance			•		*
Manufactured Housing Programs					
Multifamily Housing Service Coordinators		•	•	•	
Public Housing Security and Fair Enforcement (SAFE)		•	•	*	
Supportive Housing for the Elderly (Section 202)		•	•	*	
Supportive Housing for Persons with Disabilities (Section 811)		•	•	*	
Targeted BenEFIT Program	•	•			•
Healthy Homes		•			•
Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction		•			•
Early Childhood Education Facilities		•			•
Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Program	•				•
Federal Guarantees for Financing for Tribal Housing Activities (Title VI)				•	•
HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (VAISH)				•	•
Indian Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)	•	•	•		•
Indian Housing Loan Guarantees Fund (Section 184)		•	•	•	•
Native Hawaiian Loan Guarantees Fund (Section 184A)		•	•	•	•
Public Housing Capital Fund		•	•	•	•
Public Housing Operating Fund		•	•	•	•
Resident Opportunity and Self-Sufficiency (ROSS) Program	•				•
Revitalization of Severely Distressed Public Housing (Hope VI)		•			•
Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)/Housing Choice Vouchers			•	•	•
Analysis of Impediments	*		*	*	*
Choice Neighborhoods	•	•		•	•
Consolidated Plan	•	•	•	•	•
Sustainable Communities Initiative	•	•	•	•	*
Transforming Rental Assistance Initiative		•	*	*	*

Community Planning and Development Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control
 Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity Public and Indian Housing
 Programs that currently support a subgoal
 Programs that will support a subgoal in the future



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HUD's SCI Activities



- Interagency Coordination and Regional Outreach
- Grant Programs
- Increase proportion of HUD-assisted families in low-poverty and racially diverse communities
- Reduce share of household income spent on costs of housing and transportation in communities that receive assistance from the Office of Sustainable Housing and Communities
- Complete cost-effective energy and green retrofits of 159,000 public, assisted, and other HUD-supported affordable homes by the end of 2011



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DOT's Strategic Goals Supporting Sustainability

- Reduce transportation-related fatalities and injuries
- Ensure state of good repair for transportation infrastructure
- Promote transportation policies and investments with economic benefits for the Nation and citizens
- Advance policies and investments that reduce emissions from transportation sources



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DOT's Livable/Sustainable Communities Goal

- To increase access to adequate, affordable and environmentally sustainable travel choices



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DOT's SCI Objectives



- Increased affordable transportation choices
- Improved public transit experience
- Improved networks for pedestrians and bicycles
- Improved transportation for special needs populations



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FTA's SCI Objectives

DOT's Objectives

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Transit investments that support affordable housing and provide better linkages between public transportation and residential, commercial, educational and social service developments.



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FTA's SCI Strategies

- Coordinate with federal partners on a pilot project
- Conduct a planning technical assistance visit with federal partners
- Conduct a forum on livable communities for transportation stakeholders
- Develop reauthorization proposals that support livability
- Increase grantee exposure to multimodal links to transit



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FTA's SCI Activities

What We've Done	What We Are Doing	What We Propose
Funding: Urban circulator, TIGER II, Metro. planning	Sharing UWR resources	UTC stakeholders assistance
Technical Assistance	Collecting urban/rural case studies	Share UPWP Livability highlights
Partnership Development	DOT 'one-stop' for transportation project sponsors	Increase operating agency involvement



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FHWA's SCI Strategies

- System Performance (safety, reliability, mobility)
- National Leadership (advocating innovation)
- Program Delivery (partnerships, risk-based oversight)



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FHWA's SCI Activities

- Enhance connectivity of transportation systems
- Promote multi-modal livability for urban and rural areas
- Provide technical support to MPOs/RPOs
- Increase awareness at State DOTs
- Advance the transportation-housing relationship



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EPA's Strategic Goals

“Support sustainable, resilient, and livable communities by working with local, state, tribal, and federal partners to promote:

- Smart Growth
- Emergency preparedness
- Recovery Planning
- Brownfield Development
- Environmental justice



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EPA's Sustainable Communities Initiatives (SCI) Objectives

- Sustain Community Health by reducing air, water and land impacts of new growth and development through the use of smart growth principles
- Conduct Environmental Assessments at 6,000 more brownfield properties by 2015
- Make an additional 17,800 acres of brownfield properties ready for reuse by 2015



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EPA's SCI Activities



Overall Excellence in Smart Growth
Brownfield Phoenix Award
Lancaster County, PA
2009

- Clean Water Act State Revolving Fund Policy Change
- Brownfield Grant Application Criteria
- Area-Wide Planning Grants
- Greening Capitals Technical Assistance



Resources to Support Sustainable Communities

Sustainable Communities Planning Grants
[\$100M]



Sustainable Communities Challenge Grants
[\$40M]*

TIGER I
[\$1.2B]



TIGER II
Capital [\$570M]
Planning [\$30M]*

Bus Livability [\$150M]

Urban Circulator
[\$135M]

TIGGER/Clean Fuels
[\$156M]

Smart Growth Technical Assistance



Brownfields Sustainable Communities Pilots
Area-Wide Planning Grants

Clean Water State Revolving Fund Pilots

Targeted Watershed Grants [\$600K]



*Joint Agency Planning Grant NOFA

“Everyday Business” that Supports Sustainable Communities

Providing More Transportation Choices

- Metro and State-wide Planning
- New Starts
- Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Program
- Safe Routes to School



Promoting Equitable, Affordable Housing

- Community Development Block Grants
- HOME Investment Partnership
- HOPE VI



“Everyday Business” that Supports Sustainable Communities

Enhancing Economic Competitiveness

- Brownfields Job Training Grant Program
- Low Impact Development Training

Supporting Existing Communities

- Revolving Loan Fund Grant Program
- Cleanup Grant Program
- Nonpoint Source Grants

Coordinating and Leveraging Federal Policies and Investment

- Sustainable Communities Initiative

Valuing Communities and Neighborhoods

- Community Action for a Renewed Environment Grants
- Environmental Justice Program



How We Can Provide More Help to Communities

What we heard from our stakeholders

- Other partners should be added
- Don't reinvent the wheel
- Increase joint HUD/EPA/DOT planning activities
- Assist with nuts and bolts of partnering
- Increase local visibility of federal agencies
- Improve flexibility in federal programs



How We Will Provide More Help to Communities

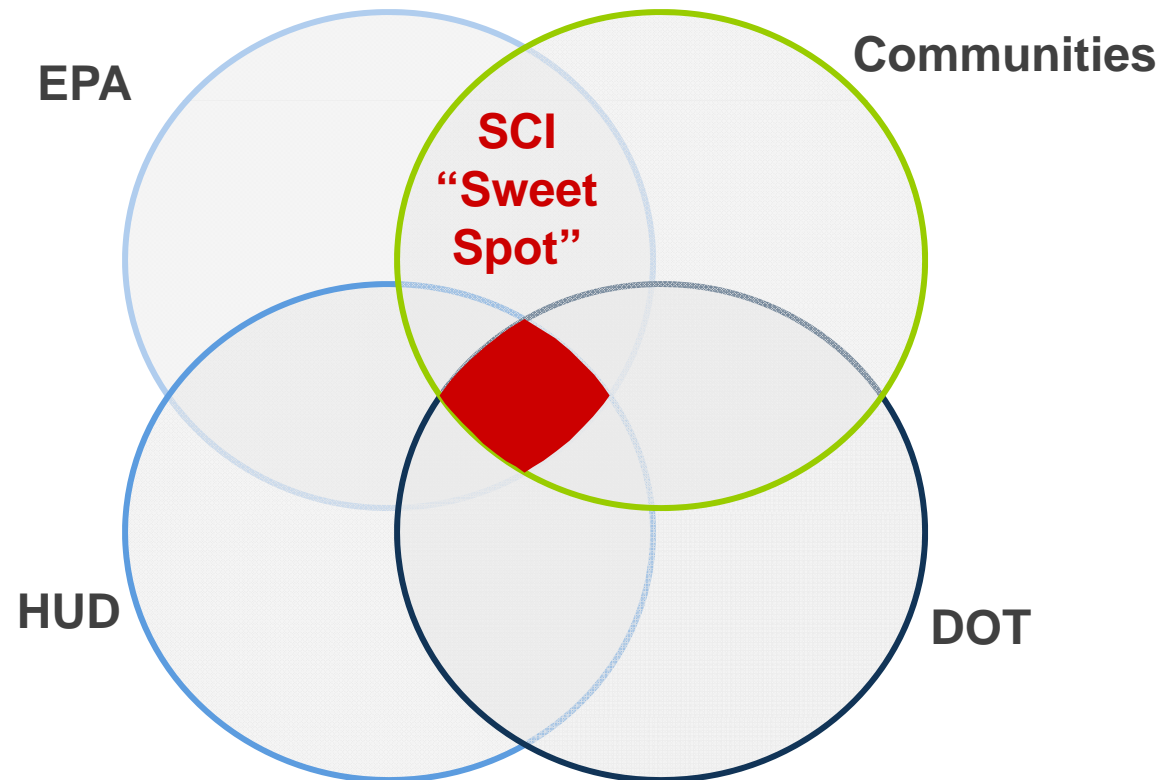
What we are doing about it

- Broadening partnership
- Providing implementation funds
- Collaborating on specific projects
- Hosting topical symposia and or webinars
- Developing tools for local partners
- Devising a more expansive communication strategy
- Creating learning labs around pilot projects



Working Together

SCI Partnership Linkages



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