ULI’s Infrastructure Initiative produces publications and reports exploring issues at the intersection of infrastructure and land use. Intended to inform practitioners and policy makers alike, the publications distill best practices, experiences and insights from within the ULI network and beyond, and provide a platform for further dialogue about the future of infrastructure and real estate.

**Reports by ULI’s Infrastructure Initiative**

*Infrastructure 2014: Shaping the Competitive City* is the eighth in a series of annual reports from the Urban Land Institute and EY. The report, based on a survey of approximately 440 top public and real estate leaders from around the world, assesses the role of infrastructure in supporting and attracting metropolitan real estate investment and supporting urban prosperity, and identifies key infrastructure investment priorities and bottlenecks.

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America is a diverse nation and our story is ever evolving. *America in 2013: A ULI Survey of Views on Housing, Transportation, and Community* summarizes findings from a survey conducted by the Infrastructure Initiative and the ULI Terwilliger Center for Housing to find out what Americans want and expect from the places we live. The results of the survey provide an important benchmark on American attitudes around community choices. The nationally representative survey of 1,202 adults finds that demand for mixed-use, compact development is strong, and the appeal of compact development cuts across the generations.

Learn More

*Infrastructure 2013: Global Priorities, Global Insights* is the seventh in a series of global infrastructure reports produced by the Urban Land Institute and Ernst & Young. The report assesses the state of infrastructure globally, connecting strong infrastructure investment decisions to national and metropolitan prosperity.

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Will new toll roads, charges per mile of driving, and options for congestion-free highway travel change how people think about land use? *When the Road Price is Right: Land Use, Tolls,
and Congestion Pricing} explores expert opinions on the question, and concludes that new approaches could support development in compact, mixed-use nodes, if land use and transit are carefully coordinated with these investments.

Learn More

**Shifting Suburbs: Reinventing Infrastructure for Compact Development** highlights how eight suburban redevelopment projects tackled infrastructure challenges, and takes a look at how infrastructure was planned, funded and financed. From these case studies, the report distills winning strategies, stumbling blocks, and other lessons learned. The ULI Infrastructure Initiative gratefully acknowledges the Rockefeller Foundation for its support of this report and related activities.

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**Infrastructure 2012: Spotlight on Leadership** focuses on infrastructure leadership in the new economy. The report includes case studies documenting strategies employed by innovative metropolitan regions across the country to fund infrastructure and transit investments in an era of tight budgets. Infrastructure leaders are using new technology, pricing, regional cooperation, and new models of public/private cooperation to move infrastructure projects forward.

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**Developing the Next Frontier: Capitalizing on Bus Rapid Transit to Build Community** analyzes how bus rapid transit (BRT) can be an organizing catalyst for compact development along commercial arterials, highlighting the potential to strengthen transit corridors through planning, community investment, and place-based branding and identity. The report documents the findings of The Bus Rapid Transit and Land Use Initiative, a partnership among ULI Seattle, King County Metro Transit, the city of Seattle, the city of Shoreline, and the ULI/Curtis Regional Infrastructure Project.

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**Promoting Cross-Sector Partnerships for Equitable Transit-Oriented Development** summarizes findings from a forum held in Washington DC in November 2010 by the ULI Infrastructure Initiative, with funding from the Annie E. Casey Foundation, to explore these issues. The report summarizes insights and experiences from partnership efforts in four transit corridors: the Denver West Corridor Line, the Seattle Central Link, the Minneapolis–St. Paul Central Corridor, and the Atlanta BeltLine. The report highlights ten strategies to ensure effective partnerships in pursuit of more equitable transit-oriented development.
Regional Infrastructure in Northeastern Illinois: Infrastructure’s Role in Maintaining Greater Chicago’s Competitive Edge is one of two reports produced in partnership with ULI Chicago and the ULI/Curtis Regional Infrastructure Project. This report identifies nine regionally significant infrastructure projects in the seven counties of Northeastern Illinois and explains how they could influence land use and impact economic development.

The Lakeshore Industrial Heritage Corridor: Infrastructure’s Role in Revitalizing Lake Michigan’s South Shore Communities looks at infrastructure and development in the border region of Chicago and Northwest Indiana. An analysis of 13 projects in the study area reveal the existing connections and potential of the corridor. The report is one of two reports produced in partnership with ULI Chicago and the ULI/Curtis Regional Infrastructure Project.

Land Use and Driving: The Role Compact Development Can Play in Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions shows that changing our land use patterns can be a meaningful component of broader strategies to address climate change. The report summarizes the land use and climate change conclusions of three studies, Moving Cooler, Growing Cooler (both published by ULI) and Driving and the Built Environment, published by the Transportation Research Board at the National Academy of Sciences.

Connecting Florida: Transit + Florida’s Economy lays out the case for regionally integrated transit systems and explains why transit service and compact, walkable development go hand in hand. Following assessments of transit in each of Florida’s five largest metropolitan regions, brief profiles of “new transit metros” from across the United States provide models for building, organizing, and funding regionally integrated transit systems. It was produced in partnership with ULI’s Florida District Councils as part of the ULI/Curtis Regional Infrastructure Project.
Transportation for a New Era identifies recommendations intended to guide transportation policy and programs at the federal level. By refocusing the federal program, making the reforms we need, and facilitating the participation of the private sector, transportation policy can set the stage for a brighter future for all Americans. The report emerged from ULI's National Transportation Policy Dialogue program, which brought together leading real estate and transportation thinkers and practitioners to formulate a set of recommendations to guide federal policy and programs.

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ULI Building Healthy Places Initiative
Building Healthy Places Initiative

Around the world, communities face pressing health challenges related to the built environment. For many years, ULI and its members have been active players in discussions and projects that make the link between human health and development; we know that health is a core component of thriving communities.

The ULI Building Healthy Places Initiative is building on that work with a multifaceted program—including research and publications, convenings, and advisory activities—to leverage the power of the Institute’s global networks to shape projects and places in ways that improve the health of people and communities.

Through the Building Healthy Places Initiative, which launched in July 2013, ULI is working to promote health across the globe.

"Leveraging the power of ULI's global networks to shape projects and places in ways that improve the health of people and communities."

Recent Reports

America in 2015, the second edition of ULI’s community survey, gauges Americans’ opinions and realities regarding housing, transportation, and community. The report, which was released at ULI’s Spring Meeting last week and produced in conjunction with ULI’s Terwilliger Center for Housing, uncovers important community design–related barriers to living a healthy life.

ULI’s Building Healthy Places Toolkit: Strategies for Enhancing Health in the Built Environment outlines 21 evidence-supported recommendations for enhancing health outcomes in real estate developments across three categories: physical activity, healthy food and drinking water, and healthy environments and social well-being. The Center for Active Design served as a contributing author and expert content partner.
Retail in Underserved Communities—co-authored by ULI Senior Resident Fellow Maureen McAvey and Bridget Lane, director of Business Districts Inc. in Evanston, Illinois—explores factors that hamper retail development in some lower-income communities and offers solutions to overcome the dearth of shopping options for neighborhood residents.
ULI & NLC Rose Center for Public Leadership in Land Use
The Rose Center for Public Leadership in Land Use encourages and supports excellence in land use decision making by local governments. A program of the National League of Cities in partnership with ULI, the Rose Center seeks to foster creative, efficient, practical, and sustainable land use policies by providing public officials with access to information, best practices, peer networks, and other resources.

The flagship program of the Rose Center is the Daniel Rose Fellowship, which provides city leaders with the insights, peer-to-peer learning, and analysis needed to successfully improve their cities. The Rose Center also hosts workshops, forums, and webinars on various aspects of community building in cities across the country.

History of the Rose Center

ULI Foundation Governor Daniel Rose committed $5 million in 2008 to establish the Rose Center for Public Leadership at ULI to empower leaders in the public sector to envision, build, and sustain successful 21st-century communities.

In 2014, ULI signed a partnership agreement to jointly guide the oversight and operations of the Rose Center with the National League of Cities, which collectively represent the world’s foremost real estate professionals and the nation’s most distinguished municipal leaders.
Lessons from the 2013-2014 Rose Fellowship: George Atta, Director, Planning and Permitting Department, City and County of Honolulu
The Rose Center catches up with City and County of Honolulu Planning and Permitting Department Director George Atta...

Lessons from the 2013-2014 Rose Fellowship: Michael Huber, President and CEO, Greater Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce
The ULI Rose Center for Public Leadership spoke with Greater Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce President and CEO Michael...

2014 Rose Fellows Learn from SF Bay Area Cities and Experts
Members of the 2013-2014 class of Daniel Rose Fellows — leaders from the cities of Honolulu, Indianapolis, Ind.,...

Catching up with the Rose Fellows: 2010-2011 Alumnus Fellow John Hodgson, The Hodgson Company, Sacramento, CA
The ULI Daniel Rose Center for Public Leadership spoke with 2010–2011 Alumnus Fellow John Hodgson, founder and president...

Lessons from the 2013-2014 Rose Fellowship: Susan Anderson, Director, Planning and Sustainability, City of Portland
The ULI Rose Center for Public Leadership spoke with City of Portland Planning and Sustainability Bureau Director Susan...

Rose Center Q&A With The Honorable Marylin Strickland, 2012-2013 Daniel Rose Fellow
The ULI Daniel Rose Center for Public Leadership spoke with Mayor Marilyn Strickland of Tacoma, Wash., an outgoing...

A Rose Center Success Story on Oakland's Broadway
The legacy of a previous Daniel Rose fellowship year was on display this week as the 2013-2014 class...

Rose Fellows Share Strategies at San Francisco's SPUR
The Daniel Rose Fellows begin day two of this year's Study Tour at SPUR, a San Francisco-based organization...

A City That Takes Planning Very Seriously
“Planning is a bloodsport in San Francisco — and the planning department often gets bloodied in the process,”...

Rose Fellows head to San Francisco Bay Area for study tour
Members of the Urban Land Institute's 2013-2014 class of Daniel Rose Fellows arrived in San Francisco on Sunday...

Public Private Partnerships Are Evolving, Rose Fellow Mayors Say
Annual Mayor's Forum Shares Strategies For Maximizing Public Benefit From Private Investment

Turning Suburban Corridors into Something Better in Carmel, Detroit, and Arlington
The topic of suburban corridors drew a large, standing-room only audience at a Wednesday session at ULI’s Fall…

**ULI Rose Center hosts delegates from Indiana for a tour of Georgetown Waterfront Park**

ULI Rose Center Faculty, Ignacio Bunster-Ossa, led a tour of the Wallace, Roberts, and Todd designed Georgetown Waterfront…

**City Planners and Risk-Taking**

Harriet Tregoning, the planning director for the District of Columbia, talks about innovation and risk in city government.

**Rose Center Photos: Lessons from San Juan on Building Better Cities**

The Rose Center fellows visit San Juan for a study tour.

**ULI’s Rose Center Helping to Keep Sacramento’s Railyard Redevelopment Chugging Along**

Daniel Rose Fellowship faculty and visiting experts returned to Sacramento, CA in early October to assess the potential…

**Regional Cooperation for Transit: Where Are the Votes?**

Leaders from across the US discussed fostering regional cooperation and support for transit at the ULI Fall Meeting…

**Rose Center Awards Scholarships to Public Officials**

The ULI Daniel Rose Center for Public Leadership is pleased to announce that 97 scholarships were awarded to…

**ULI Rose Center 2012 Mayors’ Forum**

The ULI Rose Center hosted the Mayors’ Forum on the role of public-private partnerships in city building during…

**ULI Rose Center Announces a Twitter Contest about PPP Projects**

The ULI Rose Center is building a national map of successful public-private partnership (PPP) projects. We’re holding a…

**Mayors’ Forum on Building 21st Century Cities**

During the ULI Fall Meeting in Los Angeles, CA in October, the Rose Center presented the Mayors’ Forum…

**Daniel Rose Fellows 'Hop the Pond' to learn from UK cities**

The ULI Rose Center for Public Leadership in Land Use in early December brought a group of public…

**2011 ULI Fall Meeting Public Official Scholarship awardees**

The ULI Rose Center is pleased to announce the names of public official scholarship winners to the 2011…

**Rose Center Press Releases**

**Rose Center for Public Leadership Working with Boston Mayor Walsh on Washington Street Corridor**

The Daniel Rose Center for Public Leadership, jointly operated by the National League of Cities (NLC) and the…

**Rose Center for Public Leadership Working with Seattle Mayor Murray in Rainier Beach**

The Daniel Rose Center for Public Leadership, jointly operated by the National League of Cities (NLC) and the…
Rose Center for Public Leadership Working with Pittsburgh Mayor Peduto on Redevelopment of Almono Site
The Daniel Rose Center for Public Leadership, jointly operated by the National League of Cities (NLC) and the... 

Rose Center for Public Leadership Working with Mayor Stothert on Encouraging Development in Omaha’s North Downtown Area
The Daniel Rose Center for Public Leadership, jointly operated by the Urban Land Institute (ULI) and the National... 

Mayors of Boston, Omaha, Pittsburgh, and Seattle Selected for 2015 Class of Fellows for Rose Center for Public Leadership
The Urban Land Institute (ULI) announced today that the mayors of Boston, Omaha, Pittsburgh and Seattle have been... 

ULI and the National League of Cities Form Partnership to Jointly Guide the Rose Center for Public Leadership
The Urban Land Institute (ULI) and the National League of Cities (NLC), which collectively represent the world’s foremost... 

ULI to Work with Honolulu Mayor Kirk Caldwell in Crafting Redevelopment Strategies, Options for Blaisdell Center
This week the Urban Land Institute (ULI) Daniel Rose Center for Public Leadership in Land Use will begin... 

ULI to Work with Indianapolis Mayor Greg Ballard on Options for Revitalizing Mass. Ave. - Brookside Industrial Corridor
The Urban Land Institute (ULI) Daniel Rose Center for Public Leadership in Land Use arrives in Indianapolis this... 

ULI Working with Portland Mayor Hales on Strategy to Enhance the Appeal of the Central Eastside District as a Twenty-First Century Employment Hub Serving a Range of Businesses
The Urban Land Institute (ULI) Daniel Rose Center for Public Leadership in Land Use is in Portland this... 

Gabe Klein, Former Top Transportation Official for Chicago and Washington D.C., Named Senior Visiting Fellow for ULI
Gabe Klein, the former transportation chief for the cities of Chicago and Washington, D.C. who is known for... 

ULI Working with Memphis Mayor Wharton on Proposal to Create Innovation Business District within the City’s Medical District
The Urban Land Institute (ULI) Daniel Rose Center for Public Leadership in Land Use is working this week... 

Mayors of Honolulu, Indianapolis, Memphis and Portland Named as Fellows by the ULI Daniel Rose Center for Public Leadership
The mayors of Honolulu, Indianapolis, Memphis, Tenn., and Portland, Ore. have been selected as the 2013-2014 class of... 

Former ULI Rose Center Fellow Anthony Foxx, Mayor of Charlotte, N.C., Is Nominated by President Obama to Head U.S. Department of Transportation
The Urban Land Institute (ULI) congratulates Charlotte, N.C. Mayor Anthony Foxx on his nomination by President Obama to... 

Three ULI Daniel Rose Center for Public Leadership Fellows Selected as Winners of the Bloomberg Philanthropies Mayors Challenge
Three Urban Land Institute (ULI) Rose Center for Public Leadership fellows were among the five winners in the... 

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Austin Mayor Lee Leffingwell among Four U.S. Mayors Named as Fellows by the ULI Daniel Rose Center for Public Leadership In Land Use
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Tacoma Mayor Marilyn Strickland among Four U.S. Mayors Named as Fellows by the Urban Land Institute Daniel Rose Center for Public Leadership In Land Use
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Hartford Mayor Pedro E. Segarra among Four U.S. Mayors Named as Fellows by the ULI Daniel Rose Center for Public Leadership In Land Use
The Urban Land Institute (ULI) Daniel Rose Center for Public Leadership has named Mayor Pedro Segarra, of Hartford,... 

Louisville Mayor Greg Fischer among Four U.S. Mayors Named as Fellows by the Urban Land Institute Daniel Rose Center for Public Leadership In Land Use

The Urban Land Institute (ULI) Daniel Rose Center for Public Leadership has named Louisville Mayor Greg Fischer and...

Eight Land Use Leaders Appointed To National Advisory Board for ULI Daniel Rose Center for Public Leadership In Land Use
Eight land use leaders have joined the national advisory board for the Urban Land Institute (ULI) Daniel Rose...

Urban Land Institute Names 2011-2012 Rose Center Fellowship Faculty Members
Eight of the nation's urban development and design leaders have joined the Urban Land Institute (ULI) Daniel Rose...

Urban Land Institute Rose Center for Public Leadership in Land Use Names Kansas City, Oakland, Providence, and Tampa
Mayoral Teams as 2011-2012 Daniel Rose Fellows
The mayors of Kansas City, Oakland, Providence and Tampa, plus 12 additional local land use leaders from these...

Urban Land Institute Rose Center for Public Leadership in Land Use Names Charlotte, Detroit, Houston and Sacramento
Mayoral Teams as 2010-2011 Daniel Rose Fellows
The mayors of Charlotte, Detroit, Houston, and Sacramento, plus 12 additional local land use leaders from these cities,...

Mayors of Minneapolis, Nashville, Philadelphia and Phoenix Among 16 Fellows Named By Urban Land Institute Daniel Rose
Center For Public Leadership In Land Use
The Urban Land Institute (ULI) Daniel Rose Center for Public Leadership in Land Use has named 16 outstanding...

Real Estate Industry Legend Daniel Rose Provides $5 Million to Fund ULI Daniel Rose Center for Public Leadership in Land
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Real estate industry legend Daniel Rose has committed $5 million to the creation of the Urban Land Institute...

Rose Center Webinars & Workshops

Webinar Archive: What ULI's "America in 2013" Survey Tells Us about the Future of Community Development
This webinar archive features the findings from the ULI survey “America in 2013.” How do Americans really feel...

Planning and Public Health Presentations
On Thursday, June 20, 2013, the ULI Rose Center for Public Leadership, in partnership with the Center for...

Detroit Future City: The Making of Detroit’s Long-Term Strategic Framework Plan
On Thursday, March 28, 2013 the ULI Rose Center for Public Leadership invites you to a presentation about...

Rose Center Webinar: Parking Reform
Rose Center webinar for public officials.

Webinar: Lessons in Creating a Thriving Arts & Entertainment District
Please join us for a webinar event about creative placemaking and how partners from public, private, nonprofit, and...

Webinar: Preserving and Repurposing Industrial Land for Economic Development: a review of the challenges and opportunities
of redeveloping automotive industrial sites
The ULI Rose Center invites you to attend a webinar presentation about a research study of closed automaker...

Webinar: Lessons from the Rose Fellowship: the politics of large-scale land use development
As part of the peer-to-peer learning objective for the Rose Center, ULI is pleased to present the first...

Webinar: DC Capital Bikeshare
On March 26, please join us for a presentation of how the DC Capital Bikeshare program has grown...

Webinar: Developing Community Connections in a Virtual World
The ULI Rose Center for Public Leadership is pleased to provide a two-part series about how social media...

Webinar: Fayetteville City Plan 2030: a case study
The ULI Rose Center for Public Leadership is pleased to present a case study review of the Fayetteville,…

Webinar: BRT and land use planning
Please join us at another Rose Center webinar presentation. Representatives from ULI/Curtis Regional Infrastructure Project and ULI Seattle,…

**2011 Terwilliger/Rose Center Forum on Multifamily Housing**
In November 2011, ULI’s Terwilliger and Rose Center's along with the Houston District Council conducted a multi-family housing…

**2011 ULI Fall Meeting Public Official Scholarship awardees**
The ULI Rose Center is pleased to announce the names of public official scholarship winners to the 2011…

**Workshop: Implementing Sustainable Development in your community**
The Rose Center created a workshop curriculum structured for local public officials to learn about valuable tools and…

**Webinar: Responding to multifamily foreclosure - ULI Chicago**
Please join the ULI Rose Center for an online presentation Responding to Multifamily Foreclosure: a real-time case study…
ULI Center for Sustainability
Center for Sustainability

The ULI Center for Sustainability is dedicated to creating healthy, resilient, and high performance communities around the world. Through the work of its Greenprint and Urban Resilience programs, the Center provides leadership and support to land use professionals to invest in energy performance and portfolio resilience while reducing risks due to a changing climate.

In 2014, ULI’s Board decided to create the new Center for Sustainability as a logical transition from the organization’s previous work under the Climate, Land Use, and Energy (CLUE) program. The new Center builds upon the work of CLUE and broadens its scope to address adaptation as well as mitigation.

Center for Sustainability Programs

The two programs within the Center are the ULI Greenprint Center for Building Performance and the Urban Resilience Program.

The ULI Greenprint Center for Building Performance is a catalyst for change, taking meaningful, immediate, and measurable actions to generate real estate solutions that improve the environment through energy efficiency while demonstrating the correlation with increased property values.

The Urban Resilience Program looks at how cities can prepare for the expected effects of climate change. From rising sea levels to more frequent storm events to extended droughts, the changing climate poses short- and long-term risks and opportunities for urban planning and development. The Urban Resilience program provides resources and strategies to mitigate those risks and to create a more resilient and durable vision for community development.

More from the Center

Tools for Resiliency Planning in an Age of Extreme Weather
ULI members who are experts in resiliency planning have developed three tools to help land use professionals plan... Read More

Food and Real Estate: Trends and Opportunities Forum Series
A focus on food is providing a rich arena for innovation that can improve outcomes for people, the... Read More

Making the Case for Passivhaus on Both Sides of the Atlantic
ULI members heard perspectives on the Passivhaus design standards from property professionals in the UK and the US. Read More

Food and Real Estate: Trends and Opportunities Forum Series
ULI's Center for Sustainability executive director discusses how the Center can provide thought leadership on the critical nexus... Read More

Scaling up Sustainability: A Q&A with Sarene Marshall
ULI Philippines Brings Health and Resilience to Bonifacio Global City
ULI Philippines recently kicked of its Resilient and Healthy Bonifacio Global City initiative, which intends to highlight ways... Read More

2014 Annual Report
ULI has published its 2014 Annual Report in a digital-first format now available at annualreport.uli.org Read More

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ULI Greenprint Center for Building Performance
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The ULI Greenprint Center for Building Performance is a catalyst for change, taking meaningful, immediate, and measurable actions to generate real estate solutions that improve the environment through energy efficiency while demonstrating the correlation with increased property values.

The ULI Greenprint Center focuses on reducing the carbon footprint of existing buildings—which currently represent one-third of global carbon emissions—and works to achieve its carbon-reduction goals through education and action.

The center is led by an advisory board, and its members are active participants in every level of the organization, bringing a depth of senior-level experience and knowledge that is unmatched in the real estate industry. The center uses the collective power of its membership to lead by example in lowering carbon emissions by exploring and implementing energy-reducing technologies, and shares the performance results with the public through the Greenprint Performance Report.

Greenprint Performance Report: Volume 6

The ULI Greenprint Center for Building Performance is pleased to present the Greenprint Performance Report: Volume 6, which was released in September 2015. As the largest global collection of transparent, verifiable, and comprehensive data about the environmental performance of buildings, this report provides aggregate benchmarks and performance trends for the real estate industry. Read the report.

Latest News

Solaria Corporation and Stem, Inc. Join ULI Greenprint Center for Building Performance as Innovation Partners
September 28, 2015
The Urban Land Institute (ULI) Greenprint Center for Building Performance, a worldwide alliance of leading real estate owners,…

The China Business Council for Sustainable Development Becomes Member of ULI Greenprint Center for Building Performance
June 08, 2015
The Urban Land Institute (ULI) Greenprint Center for Building Performance, a worldwide alliance of leading real estate owners,…

New U.S. Law Encourages Energy Efficiency in Leased Commercial Spaces
May 12, 2015
The law authorizes the creation of a voluntary Tenant Star program aimed at providing national recognition to tenants…

Abundant Power Joins ULI Greenprint Center for Building Performance as an Innovation Partner
January 26, 2015
Clarion Partners Becomes Member of ULI Greenprint Center for Building Performance
January 07, 2015
The Urban Land Institute (ULI) Greenprint Center for Building Performance, a worldwide alliance of leading real estate owners,…
ULI Urban Resilience Program
After Hurricane Katrina and Superstorm Sandy, more focus has been placed on how communities can prepare and plan for, absorb, recover from, and more successfully adapt to adverse events.

Increasingly ominous predictions from climate scientists suggest that adverse events related to climate change pose increasing risk to communities worldwide. Furthermore, the world is becoming increasingly urban, and our cities tend to lie in particularly vulnerable areas. From sea level rise to heat waves, from storm surge to drought, the adverse events threaten the built environment in ways that have serious consequences for the health, viability, and economic vitality of our future.

The Urban Resilience Program works to help communities prepare for increased climate risk in ways that allow a quicker, safer return to normalcy after an event but also an ability to thrive going forward. Through careful land use planning, wise investment in infrastructure, and smart building design, we can protect the value we’ve created in our cities and be more robust when facing adverse events.

**Areas of Work**

The Urban Resilience Program is funded through a generous grant from the Kresge Foundation and comprises four main areas of work:

- **Panels:** ULI will conduct six Advisory Services panels in communities around the country focusing on resilience planning.

- **Research:** ULI will draw from the experience of its members and partners to produce research on resilience that is strategic and relevant for the real estate and land use community.

- **Convenings:** ULI hosted the [Building the Resilient City conference](#) in September 2014 to bring expert practitioners together with urban planners, local governments, and land use professionals to build practical knowledge on resilience and adaptation strategies. This conference was partly supported by the [John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation](#).

- **Grants:** ULI will award grants through its [District Councils](#) to further resilience planning and implementation in their communities.

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### Centers & Initiatives

- Building Healthy Places Initiative
- Center for Capital Markets and Real Estate
- Center for Sustainability
- ULI Greenprint Center for Building Performance
- Infrastructure Initiative
- Rose Center for Public Leadership in Land Use
- Terwilliger Center for Housing
- Urban Resilience Program

### Reports

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ULI Terwilliger Center for Housing
Terwilliger Center for Housing

The ULI Terwilliger Center for Housing engages in a multifaceted program of work that includes research, publications, convenings, awards, and technical assistance. Our mission is to facilitate creating and sustaining a full spectrum of housing opportunities—including affordable and workforce housing—in communities across the country.

Established in 2007 with a gift from longtime ULI member and former ULI chairman J. Ronald Terwilliger, the Center’s initial mission was to expand workforce housing opportunities for families earning 60 to 120 percent of the area median income. While the Center’s primary focus remains on housing affordability, with a particular emphasis on workforce housing policies and projects, our mission has expanded in 2011 to include a broader range of housing issues.

This expanded focus will help to integrate ULI’s many housing efforts into a coherent program of work that furthers the development of mixed-income, mixed-use communities and a full spectrum of housing affordable to all, a critical aspect of ULI’s core mission of the “responsible use of land.”

Just Released: America in 2015

In 2013, ULI published a national survey of Americans’ preferences and priorities regarding their communities, housing, and transportation. America in 2013 found that Americans were mostly satisfied with the quality of life in their communities and uncovered a strong desire for compact and mixed-use communities.

America in 2015 expands upon the 2013 survey approach with new questions exploring priorities for and barriers around healthy communities and lifestyles. Read the America in 2015 report.

Terwilliger Center Updates

ULI Announces Winners of the 2015 Jack Kemp Excellence In Affordable And Workforce Housing Award and 2015 Robert C. Larson Housing Policy Leadership Award

The Urban Land Institute (ULI) Terwilliger Center for Housing has announced the winners of the annual ULI Housing Award... Read More

New ULI Report, Bay Area In 2015, Suggests Bay Area at Risk of Losing Millennials Due to High Housing Costs, Quality of Life Concerns

A new report from the Urban Land Institute, Bay Area in 2015, suggests that the San Francisco metropolitan... Read More

New Report: Bay Area in 2015

Bay Area in 2015 analyzes the housing, transportation, and community preferences of residents in the Greater Bay Area. Read More

ULI to Use National Survey to Help Resources Available - Housing ULI Announces Finalists in the
Local Leaders Better Understand Resident Preferences, Build Better Communities with $75,000 from Knight Foundation

The Urban Land Institute (ULI), a global research and education institute dedicated to leadership in land use, is...

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ULI’s Terwilliger Center for Housing and Enterprise Community Partners hosted colleagues from across the country to explore critical...

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2015 Jack Kemp Excellence in Affordable and Workforce Housing Award Competition

WASHINGTON (June 24, 2015)—Today the Urban Land Institute (ULI) Terwilliger Center for Housing announced the finalists of this...

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Jack Kemp Excellence in Affordable and Workforce Housing Award Finalist: BASE Capitol Hill

BASE Capitol Hill is a 32 unit micro-apartment building with ground floor commercial space in Seattle’s well-known Capitol...

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Jack Kemp Excellence in Affordable and Workforce Housing Award Finalist: Chambers Lofts

Chambers Lofts is an adaptive reuse project in Trenton, New Jersey which leveraged an existing industrial building, the...

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Jack Kemp Excellence in Affordable and Workforce Housing Award Finalist: Charlesview Residences and Town Homes at Brighton Mills

Charlesview Residences and Town Homes at Brighton Mills is a 28-building, five city-block development that includes 260 units...

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