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Sacramento Area Council of Governments

Sacramento, CA

2010 Regional Planning

<http://www.sacog.org/>

SACOG and Health

1/31/2014

Additionally SACOG was successful in obtaining new grant funding from both the Sierra Health Foundation and The California Endowment. The focus of this grant-funded work is to build on the enhanced analysis and engagement for the MTP/SCS made possible by the HUD grant, and foster additional educational efforts, dialogue, and research, analysis, and vetting of potential performance measures around key topics related to public health and economic opportunities as they relate to implementation of the Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategies (MTP/SCS) for different segments of the region's population, with a particular focus on the region's low-income and minority communities. Topics may include, but are not limited to, the cause and effects of people living near high volume roadways; linkages between land use patterns and physical activity; and the impacts of property value increases due to TOD or other development on potential displacement of lower income populations. Work from this effort will feed into the 2016 MTP/SCS.

Tags

health, ongoing partnerships

Denver Regional Council of Governments

Denver, CO

2011 Regional Planning

<https://drcog.org/planning-great-region/metro-vision>

DRCOG and Brookings tackle poverty

10/10/2014

On October 10, 2014, DRCOG conducted a half-day briefing about how changing demographics are impacting regional and community planning. DRCOG partnered with the Brookings Institution whose staff presented information from its report on the suburbanization of poverty. The program also included the state demographer and representatives of local communities talking about changing demographics and how they were incorporating these trends in their planning efforts.

Tags

ongoing partnerships, poverty

Baltimore Metropolitan Council

Baltimore, MD

2011 Regional Planning

<http://www.opportunitycollaborative.org/>

Baltimore Met engages job-providing partners

1/31/2014

Regional housing and workforce development plans are major components of the Region Plan for Sustainable Development (RPSD) in Baltimore. The region's leading housing and workforce development entities are engaged in the committee work of the Opportunity Collaborative. Government and nonprofit transportation, housing, workforce development and planning entities from throughout the region continue to work collaboratively through this process.

As a result of the Workforce Development surveys and interviews conducted by the consultant, the Baltimore Metropolitan Council engaged two new partners. They include:

Goodwill Industries of the Chesapeake

Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation

<http://www.opportunitycollaborative.org/assets/Career-Pathways-in-the-Baltimore-Region-Transportation-and-Logistics-FINAL-REPORT1.pdf?536869>

http://www.oedworks.com/resources/local_unified_plan.doc

Tags

ongoing partnerships, private sector engagement, workforce development and training

Baltimore Metropolitan Council

Baltimore, MD

2011 Regional Planning

<http://www.opportunitycollaborative.org/>

After receiving a HUD SCI grant, the Baltimore Metropolitan Council's role in regional collaboration was expanded to officially include transportation, housing, and workforce development.

9/12/2014

During the 2014 legislative session, the Maryland General Assembly passed HB 172 which expands the function and membership of the Baltimore Metropolitan Council. As a result of this legislation, the Baltimore Metropolitan Council's role in regional coordination now officially includes transportation, housing and workforce development. This new policy focus mirrors that of the Opportunity Collaborative and lays the foundation in code for BMC to continue the work initially funded through their Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant. To aide BMC in carrying out this new mandate, the membership of the Council has been expanded to include a member of the Maryland House of Delegates, Maryland State Senate and a gubernatorial appointee from the private sector.

Read the bill here:

http://mgaleg.maryland.gov/2014RS/chapters_noln/Ch_520_hb0172T.pdf

Tags

ongoing partnerships, policy change

Greater Portland Council of Governments

Portland, ME

2010 Regional Planning

<http://sustainsouthernmaine.org/>

Maine Food Strategy

1/31/2014

Local Product Delivery System: During this reporting period Mobilize Maine, GPCOG, and SMRPC staff met with the Cumberland County Farm Bureau, the York County Farm Bureau, and 2 individual farmers to gain a better understanding of their needs in regards to product delivery, identifying potential actions to address these needs, and to cultivate trust and support in pursuing these actions. Staff also met with staff of the Maine Food Strategy initiative and the local USDA office to discuss opportunities to leverage ongoing efforts and resources. To date staff can attest that it is clear there are needs within the agricultural community in regards to product delivery, but that the needs vary by agricultural sector. This difference in needs has thus far resulted in a lack of consensus and support from the agricultural community in identifying first steps in improving the product delivery system. Staff have not abandoned the initiative, but it is clear that this task may not be complete before the end of the grant period.

Tags

food, ongoing partnerships

City of University City

University City, MO

2010 Community Challenge

<http://www.parkviewgardensvision.org/>

University City partnered with Washington University to plan redevelopment of the neighborhood next door

Defined by its sturdy brick apartments and graceful tree-line streets, University City's Parkview Gardens is both the historic and cultural heart of University City and centrally located within in the St. Louis metropolitan area. Bordered by one of the nation's great commercial streets—the Delmar Loop—and University City's historic civic center, the Parkview Gardens neighborhood is bounded on two sides by a vibrant shopping, entertainment, and cultural arts district.

Washington University of St. Louis owns significant property in the neighborhood, including a number of residential buildings. It has been working closely with the City since before this project in order to plan for redevelopment that will improve neighborhood housing, connectivity, and public spaces. In addition to improving the quality of life for residents, the hope is that this will allow the university to sell some of its underused properties, getting them out of its inventory and onto the City's tax rolls. This is a prime example of how a cities and institutions of higher education, which can often be at odds, can work together toward multiple, mutual benefits.

<http://www.parkviewgardensvision.org/about-project/about-project>

<http://www.parkviewgardensvision.org/sites/default/files/files/Parkview%20Gardens%20work%20plan%205-4-11.pdf>

Tags

ongoing partnerships, private sector engagement

Regional Plan Association, Inc.

New York, NY

2010 Regional Planning

<http://www.sustainablenyct.org/>

NY-CT Sustainable Communities Consortium Climate Resilience Deliverables Lay the foundation for Hurricane Sandy Recovery

6/6/2014

A key partner in the NY-CT SCC, New York City executed a series of climate resiliency studies for the region, which were finalized and presented on at a Principal's meeting on September 30, 2012, just 28 days before Superstorm Sandy made landfall. These studies strongly shaped the SIRR report and informed the work of the Sandy Recovery Task Force, resulting directly in ground-breaking zoning changes to promote flood-resistant construction and retrofitting. These reports then provided information and guidance on achieving resiliency to other communities beyond NYC. The full Regional Plan for Sustainable Development for the region, including these reports, was adopted in June 2014.

Tags

climate, federal and state alignment, implementation funding, ongoing partnerships, plan adoption, resilience

Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission

Winooski, VT

<http://ecosproject.com/>

2010 Regional Planning

Quantifiable impacts from HUD's Investment in Chittenden County, VT include job training, new zoning, and a natural resources inventory

7/1/2014

Prior to receiving the SCI grant, the Chittenden County RPC did not work closely with the Department of Health, yet after the grant, the two organizations are engaged in 4 collaborative efforts separate from the ECOS Plan itself. This collaboration will continue to grow and ensure that local land use decisions help to better the well-being of all residents.

Through the ECOS project:

>Chittenden engaged 28 students in STEM education and career choices inspiring them to strive toward these industries.

>The RPC was able to provide 12 New Americans with kitchen skills and job placement services to help them gain a sustainable life in Vermont in a new home.

>22 volunteers were trained to provide rides to the elderly so that they may access medical services in a more cost efficient way than adding more public transit service – doubling the number of rides provided.

>5 Municipalities received funding for a Form Based Code zoning to create more livable downtowns and Villages that house residents close to jobs and services.

>CCRPC produced the most comprehensive inventory of natural communities, wildlife habitats and working lands to date in 4 municipalities to help protect resources and drive development towards the areas planned for growth.

Much of this work could not have been done without HUD/EPA/FHA's Sustainable Communities program, and with this seed money these projects will have lasting effects for the residents and region as a whole.

Tags

ongoing partnerships, public transit, quantitative results, workforce development and training, youth and aging, zoning

Puget Sound Regional Council

Seattle, WA

<http://www.psrc.org/growth/growing-transit-communities/>

2010 Regional Planning

Growing Transit Communities Strategy document regarding TOD Compacts and Transit Corridor Action Strategies was adopted by the oversight committee in July 2013

7/12/2013

Adoption of the Growing Transit Communities Partnership culminating document: the Growing Transit Communities Strategy, consisting of a Regional Compact, a toolkit of Recommended Strategies and Actions, and Individual Work Plans, a Transit Community Typology, and 74 Station Area Profiles. The document was approved by the project Oversight Committee on July 12, 2013. To date, 19 project partners have signed onto the GTC Compact, including the Puget Sound Regional Council.

Element B: TOD Compacts and Transit Corridor Action Strategies

TOD Compacts and Transit Corridor Action Strategies: Estimated percentage completion: 100%. The primary deliverables—the Growing Transit Communities Compact and the Toolkit of Recommended Actions and Strategies—were completed in June 2013, and approved and adopted by the GTC Oversight Committee on July 12, 2013. After approval, staff has worked with consortium partners to adopt the compact. As of December 31, 2013, 19 jurisdictions and organizations have signed the compact, including the Puget Sound Regional Council.

The Growing Transit Communities Partnership Oversight Committee took action and unanimously approved the final drafts of the Regional Compact and the majority of the recommendations in the Toolkit of Recommended Strategies and Actions on July 12, 2013, and the Compact was approved by the Puget Sound Regional Council on September 26, 2013. This commits PSRC to work toward the GTC goals, and to consider how to implement actions that are called for in the strategy.

<http://www.psrc.org/growth/growing-transit-communities/growing-communities-strategy/read-the-full-growing-transit-communities-strategy/>

Tags

final product, implementation strategies, ongoing partnerships, plan adoption, TOD