RESOURCES ON SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES

e.g., Sustainable Neighborhoods, Towns, Cities, and Regions

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- Planning Tools, Guidelines, and Certifications
- Federal Programs
- National Organizations
- California Organizations and Programs
- San Francisco Bay Area Initiatives

Planning Tools, Guidelines, and Certifications

LEED for Neighborhood Development rating system www.usgbc.org/leed/nd/

Living Building Challenge www.ilbi.org

One Planet Communities (BioRegional) www.oneplanetcommunities.org

Playbook for Green Buildings + Neighborhoods www.greenplaybook.org

SmartCode (model development code / urban design and zoning ordinance) www.smartcodecentral.org

STAR Community Index www.icleiusa.org/programs/sustainability/star-community-index

Federal Programs

U.S. HUD/DOT/EPA Interagency Partnership for Sustainable Communities www.epa.gov/dced/partnership/index.html

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA): Smart Growth www.epa.gov/smartgrowth

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD): Green Homes and Communities

www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/about/conplan/greenhomes.cfm



National Organizations

Center for Neighborhood Technology www.cnt.org

Congress for the New Urbanism www.cnu.org

Emerald Cities Collaborative www.emeraldcities.org

Funders' Network for Smart Growth and Livable Communities www.fundersnetwork.org

Global Ecovillage Network http://gen.ecovillage.org

Global Green USA www.globalgreen.org

ICLEI Local Governments for Sustainability: Sustainable Cities program www.iclei.org

Local Government Commission: Center for Livable Communities www.lgc.org/center

Natural Resources Defense Council: Smart Growth program www.nrdc.org/smartgrowth

One Planet Communities (BioRegional) www.oneplanetcommunities.org

Partnership for Sustainable Communities www.p4sc.org

Planners Network: The Organization of Progressive Planning www.plannersnetwork.org

Smart Communities Network www.smartcommmunities.ncat.org

Smart Growth America www.smartgrowthamerica.org

Smart Growth Leadership Institute www.sgli.org

Smart Growth Online / Smart Growth Network www.smartgrowth.org

Sprawl Watch Clearinghouse www.sprawlwatch.org

Sustainable Land Development International www.sldi.org

Transition U.S. www.transitionus.org

Urban Land Institute www.uli.org

Urban Re:Vision www.urbanrevision.org

California Organizations and Programs

Partnership for Sustainable Communities: California Sustainable Communities Policy and Development Center www.p4sc.org

Planning and Conservation League: Land Use program www.pcl.org

State of California Department of Conservation: Emerald Cities Program www.conservation.ca.gov/index/Pages/CaliforniaSustainableCommunities.aspx

State of California Strategic Growth Council www.sgc.ca.gov

WELL Network www.wellnetwork.org

San Francisco Bay Area Resources

Accountable Development Coalition (Sonoma County) www.accountabledevelopmentcoalition.org

Breakthrough Communities project www.breakthroughcommunities.info

Sonoma Mountain Village, Rohnert Park www.sonomamountainvillage.com

Sonoma State University's Center for Sustainable Communities (in development) www.sonoma.edu/etc/home/sustainable_communities.html

SPUR (San Francisco Planning and Urban Research Association): Sustainable Development, Regional Planning, and Community Planning programs www.spur.org

TransForm www.transformca.org

Transition Cotati www.transitioncotati.org

Transition San Francisco www.transitionsf.org

Transition Santa Cruz www.transitionsc.org

Transition Sebastopol www.transitionsebastopol.org

Transition West Marin www.transitionwestmarin.org

Urban Ecology www.urbanecology.org

Urban Habitat
www.urbanhabitat.org

plus numerous local environmental groups

For links to other sustainability resources, go to:

www.mlandman.com/resourcelinks/sustainability.shtml