



BUILDING SUSTAINABLE & HEALTHY COMMUNITIES

Reducing Health Disparities through Programs at the Department of Housing and Urban Development

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ROUNDTABLE ON POPULATION HEALTH IMPROVEMENT

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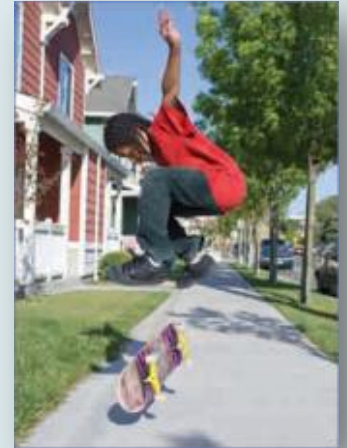




WHAT IS A SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY?

“Sustainability means tying the quality and location of housing to broader opportunities, like access to good jobs, quality schools, and safe streets. It means helping communities that face common problems start sharing solutions. It means being a partner to sustainable development, not a barrier”.

~ Secretary Shaun Donovan





HUD-DOT-EPA PARTNERSHIP FOR SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES



Partnership Livability Principles:

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





HEALTHY, SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES

- Access to Healthy Foods
- Safe, Affordable Housing
- Environmental Quality
- Safe Transportation
- Choices and Active Living
- Economic Opportunity





HEALTHY, GREEN HOMES

Spotlight On: South Lincoln Homes, Denver, CO

In 2010, the Denver Housing Authority used the *Healthy Development Measurement Tool* to measure health and community outcomes:

- Housing
- Transportation
- Economic indicator
- Environmental stewardship
- Social cohesion

HUD is building on this practice for our public housing portfolio



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SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES REGIONAL PLANNING GRANTS

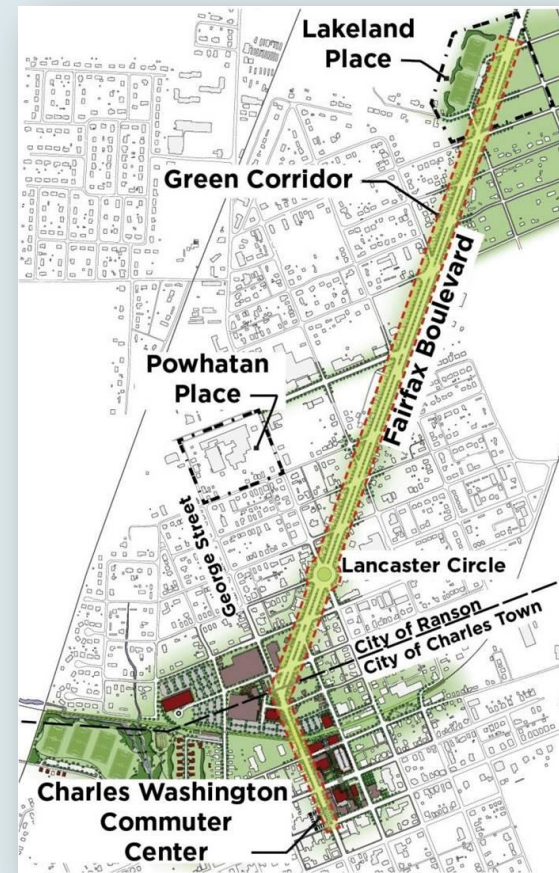
- \$170 million in FY2010 and 2011
- Multi-jurisdictional, regional entity, and non-profit partnerships to develop a Regional Plan for Sustainable Development
- Plans integrate housing, land use, economic and workforce development, transportation, and infrastructure investments to address:
 - economic competitiveness and revitalization
 - social equity, inclusion, and access to opportunity
 - energy use and climate change
 - public health and environmental impact





SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES: COMMUNITY CHALLENGE GRANTS

- \$70 million in FY2010 and 2011
- Fosters reform and reduces barriers to achieving affordable, economically vital, and sustainable communities.
- Activities include amending or replacing local master plans, neighborhood plans, corridor plans, zoning codes, and building codes
- Promotes mixed-use development, affordable housing, reuse of older buildings and structures for new purposes, with the goal of promoting sustainability at the local or neighborhood level

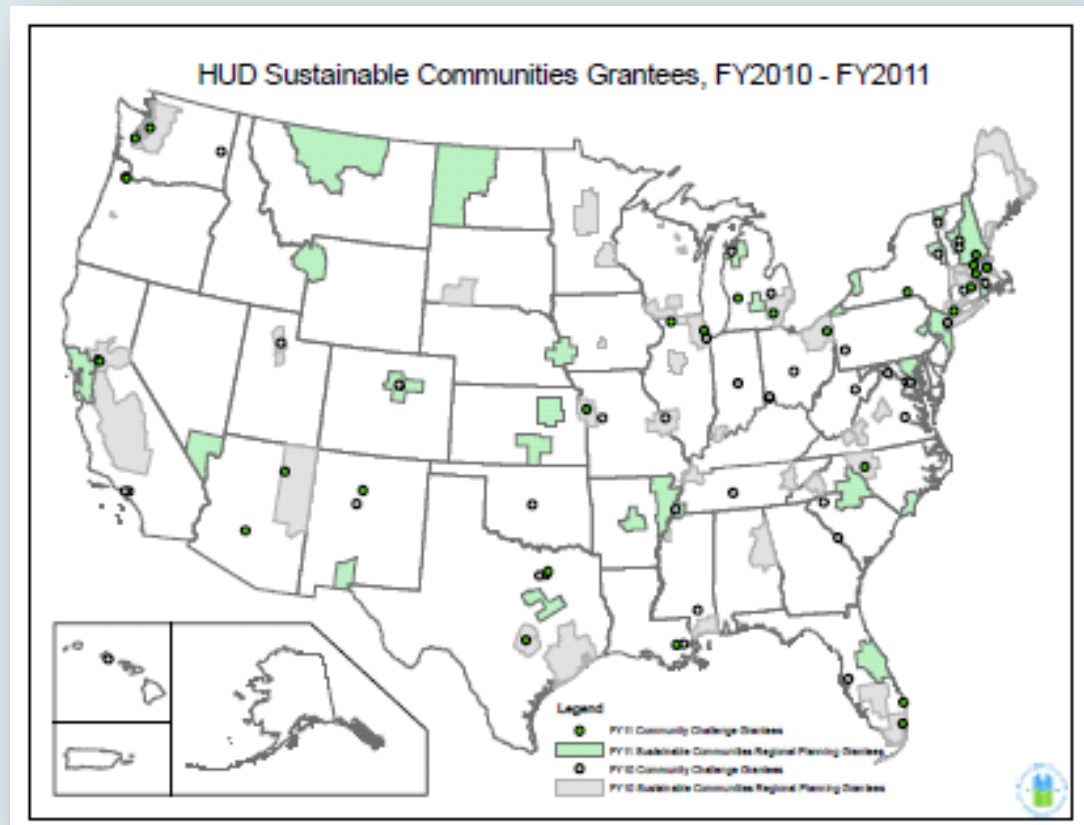




HUD SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE: WHERE WE WORK

Supporting work in 48 states and D.C.

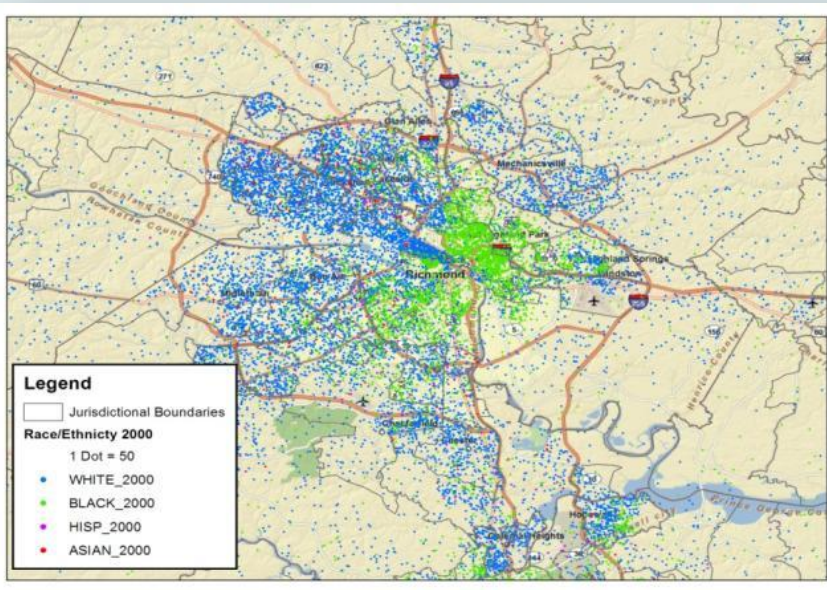
- 74 regions and 69 communities and states funded
- Statewide efforts in New Hampshire and Rhode Island
- More than 133 million Americans live in grantee area





CONNECTIONS TO OTHER CIVIL RIGHTS EFFORTS

Fair Housing and Equity Analysis



Interagency Working Group on Environmental Justice





WHAT WE'RE MEASURING: FLAGSHIP INDICATORS

Sustainability Outcome	Flagship Sustainability Indicator
1. Transportation Choice	1.1 Total Percentage of workers commuting via walking, biking, transit, or rideshare
2. Housing Affordability	2.1 Percentage of renter units and owner units affordable to households earning 80% of HUD area median family income
3. Equitable Development	3.1. H+T Affordability: Proportion of household income spent on housing and transportation costs
	3.2 Access to healthy food choices: Percent of total population that reside in a low income census tract AND reside more than one/ten mile(s) from a supermarket/large grocery store
	3.3 Access to open space: Percent of population that reside within 1 mile of a park or open space for rural or ½ mile for urban
4. Economic Resilience	4.1 Economic Diversification Index
	4.2 General local government debt to revenue ratio
5. Growth through Reinvestment	5.1 Net acres of agricultural and natural resource land lost annually to development per new resident





HUD Community Challenge and DOT TIGER II Planning Grant Recipient: Greenville, SC



Planning in the West Side:
Brownfield to Park
Health Impact Assessment
Transit Planning
Local Economic Development
Affordable Housing

Partnering with:
Neighborhood associations
A.J. Whittenburg Elem. School
Salvation Army Kroc Center
South Carolina Institute of
Medicine and Public Health





FOR MORE INFORMATION

Sustainable Communities Resource Center:

<http://www.huduser.org/sustainability/home.html>

Partnership for Sustainable Communities:

<http://www.sustainablecommunities.gov>

HUD Office of Sustainable Housing and Communities:

<http://www.hud.gov/sustainability>

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