Delivering Equity in Sustainable Communities

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About PolicyLink

• PolicyLink is a national research and action institute advancing economic and social equity by Lifting Up What Works.®

• Founded in 1999, PolicyLink connects the work of local leaders to implement policies that foster sustainable communities of opportunity.

• **SCI**: Focus on equity in land use to build access to quality jobs, transportation, affordable housing, good schools, healthy food and physical activity.

• Community engagement, establishing regional equity networks, and developing performance measures will be a key focus of capacity building.
Our SCI Technical Assistance Team

Program for Environmental & Regional Equity
Why We Focus On Equity?

• Fosters the creation of opportunity structures in which ALL can participate and prosper.

• Fosters partnerships, a commitment to staying the course and growing in understanding of the diverse needs of our population.

• The economic growth model that ensures our regions and country remain viable (policylink.org – publications – America’s Tomorrow)
Sharing What We’ve Learned

• Advises HUD

• Advises Peers

• We Learn How to do A Better Job

• Advises the Field
Newly Discovered Positive Outcomes

- Communications and Partnerships Across Jurisdictions
- Creative New Partnerships/Leveraging Non Traditional Resources
- Greater Levels of Relationships and Connections – Government/Community
We Want to Hear From You

- Your experiences
- Observations
- Accomplishments
- Advise
- Anything else?
If you have more questions, please contact:

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