



Urban Land Institute

Building Healthy Places Initiative

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

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 will build 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 two-year Building Healthy Places Initiative, ULI is working to promote health across the globe. Join ULI Northwest as we engage key community thought leaders and decision-makers to participate in this initiative at the local level.



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What Is a Healthy Place?

- Healthy Places offer healthy and affordable housing options, and a variety of safe, comfortable, and convenient transportation choices
- Healthy Places provide access to healthy foods, the natural environment, and other amenities that allow people to reach their full potential.
- Healthy Places are designed thoughtfully, with an eye to making the healthy choice the easy choice, and are built using health-promoting materials.
- Healthy Places address unique community issues with innovative and sustainable solutions.



What We Are Doing

Through the Building Healthy Places Initiative, ULI will focus on four main areas of impact:

Awareness. Raise awareness in the real estate community of the connections between health and the built environment, working to make sure health is a mainstream consideration.

Tools. Develop or share tools – including best practices, criteria, and other materials – that define and advance approaches to healthy buildings, projects, and communities.

Value. Build understanding of the market and nonmarket factors at play in building healthy places, and the value proposition of building and operating in health-promoting ways.

Commitments. Gain commitments from members and others, including local governments, to work, build, and operate in more health-promoting ways.

A Unique Opportunity to Participate

This two-year initiative will yield multiple publications, special sessions at the Fall and Spring meetings, District Council programming and its own conference in February 2014.

Have an idea on how you would like to partner or just want more information on how to get involved? Please contact ULI Northwest at northwest@uli.org or by phone at 206.224.4500.

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