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**PN NEWS:**

We are presently updating our PN E-newsletter address list. If you would prefer not to receive the monthly E-newsletter, please e-mail [nrantisi@alcor.concordia.ca](mailto:nrantisi@alcor.concordia.ca) and [mjeb23@yahoo.ca](mailto:mjeb23@yahoo.ca) to unsubscribe. Also, please recall that the monthly E-newsletter is distinct from the general PN listserv. To unsubscribe from the general PN listserv, you must send e-mail to [majordomo@list.pratt.edu](mailto:majordomo@list.pratt.edu) with line "unsubscribe pn-net" (without the quotes) in the body of the message (not the subject line).

**PN MEMBER UPDATES:**

**Jason Blackman** has graduated with a BA (Honours) in Urban Planning from Concordia University in Montreal and is relocating to **Vancouver, BC** for graduate studies in Urban Planning at the University of British Columbia.

**Jennifer Clark** (Ph.D., Cornell University) has recently been appointed Assistant Professor in the School of Public Policy at Georgia Institute of Technology.

**Elyse Golob** has new contact information and a new e-mail address:  
Elyse Golob, Ph.D., Director, Office of Economic and Policy Analysis, The University of Arizona, P.O. Box 210458, Tucson, AZ 85721, Tel.: 520-621-2377, Fax: 520-626-6946, <http://oed.arizona.edu>, E-mail: [egolob@email.arizona.edu](mailto:egolob@email.arizona.edu).

## **PUBLICATIONS:**

The following three articles from The Nation examine the opportunities and obstacles for progressives in municipal politics, inspired in part by Antonio Villaraigosa's victory in the mayoral race in Los Angeles:

- 1) "Cities: The Vital Core" (2005) by Joel Rogers, available at <http://www.thenation.com/doc/prem.mhtml?i=20050620&s=rogers> .
- 2) "Urban Archipelago" (2005) by John Nichols, available at <http://www.thenation.com/doc.mhtml?i=20050620&s=nichols> .
- 3) "Can a City Be Progressive?" (2005) by Peter Dreier, available at <http://www.thenation.com/doc.mhtml?i=20050704&s=dreier> .

**“One Hundred Years of Poverty & Policy,”** by Howard Glennerster, John Hills, David Piachaud & Jo Webb (Dec. 2004), all London School of Economics researchers, has been published by the Joseph Rowntree Foundation. Available at: [www.jrf.org.uk/bookshop/details.asp?pubid=657](http://www.jrf.org.uk/bookshop/details.asp?pubid=657)

**“Class Matters: Cross-Class Alliance Building for Middle-Class Activists,”** by Betsy Leondar-Wright (177 pp., 2005, \$18.95), has been published by New Society Publishers, <http://www.newsociety.com/>

**“Disparities in Knowledge of the EITC,”** by Elaine Maag, a 2005 Urban Institute report, is available from them at 2100 M St. NW, Washington, DC 20037, 202/833-7200; downloadable at [www.urban.org/url.cfm?ID=1000752](http://www.urban.org/url.cfm?ID=1000752)

**“De Facto Shelters: Homeless Living in Vacant Public Housing Units”** is a 2005 report from The Urban Institute, 2100 M St. NW, Washington, DC 20037, 202/833-7200; downloadable at [www.urban.org/UploadedPDF/411144\\_defacto\\_shelters.pdf](http://www.urban.org/UploadedPDF/411144_defacto_shelters.pdf)

**“Up Against a Wall: Housing Affordability for Renters — An Analysis of the 2003 American Community Survey”** (12 pp. + Apps., Nov. 2004) is available (\$10) from the National Low Income Housing Coalition, 727 15<sup>th</sup> St. NW, 6<sup>th</sup> floor, Washington, DC 20005, Tel.: 202-662-1530, [info@nlihc.org](mailto:info@nlihc.org) , <http://www.nlihc.org/>

**“They Paved Paradise... Gentrification in Rural Communities”** (53 pp., Feb. 2005), is available (\$5) from the Housing Assistance Council, 1025 Vermont Ave. NW, #606, Washington, DC 20005, Tel.: 202-842-8600, [hac@ruralhome.org](mailto:hac@ruralhome.org) , <http://www.ruralhome.org/>

## EVENTS:

**July 22-24, 2005, "Ecology, Imperialism and the Contradictions of Capitalism"** The Capitalism, Nature, Socialism Anniversary Conference is being held at **York University in Toronto, ON**. For more info: [www.yorku.ca/cnsconf](http://www.yorku.ca/cnsconf)

**August 11-14, 2005, "Making Great Communities Happen Everywhere: Bridging the Gap between Urban and Rural"** The 2005 conference of the Planning in the Black Community Division (PBCD) of the American Planning Association (APA) will be held in **Greenville, NC** Both the City of Greenville Planning Department and the Department of Planning, East Carolina University, serve as your local host. For more info: [www.cpe.ecu.edu/pbcd.cfm](http://www.cpe.ecu.edu/pbcd.cfm)

**September 15-16, 2005, "Poverty and Place in the US-UK: Comparisons of Experiences and Policy with a Look Toward the Future,"** Organized by the Cambridge-MIT Institute's Competitiveness Forum. This conference seeks to uncover evidence about how increasing technological change, mobility of capital and employment influence policy options aimed at addressing place-and people-based poverty and ascertain the potential scope of sharing research and policy experience between the UK and the US. Contact: Michael Kitson [mk24@cam.ac.uk](mailto:mk24@cam.ac.uk) , Cambridge, Judge Institute, Amy Glasmeier [akg1@ems.psu.edu](mailto:akg1@ems.psu.edu) , Penn State, or Peter Tyler [pt23@hermes.cam.ac.uk](mailto:pt23@hermes.cam.ac.uk) Cambridge.

**November 3-4, 2005, "Smart and Sustainable Campuses,"** Presented by the EPA, the Society for College and University Planning (SCUP), the National Association of College and University Business Officers (NACUBO), and the Association of Higher Education Facilities Officers (APPA) Hosted by the **University of Maryland at College Park**. For more info, visit: <http://www.epa.gov/sectors/colleges/sascc.html>

**July 17-19 2006 "The Sustainable City 2006,"** Organized by the Wessex Institute of Technology, UK; University of Siena, Italy; Tartu University, Estonia. The conference will be held at Reval Hotel Olümpia in **Tallinn, Estonia**. The conference aims to address the many inter-related aspects of the urban environment from transport and mobility to social exclusion and crime prevention. For more info, visit: <http://www.wessex.ac.uk/conferences/2006/city06/index.html>

## ON-LINE RESOURCES & NETWORKS:

The **New Jersey Bicycle and Pedestrian Resource Project** at Rutgers and The State University of New Jersey, has launched its new Website, found at: <http://www.policy.rutgers.edu/njbikeped> as an electronic clearinghouse offering one-stop shopping for information and resources designed for transportation professionals, government officials, activists and the public to provide instant access to information regarding bicycle and pedestrian issues.

**“Urban Cartography”** (<http://www.urbancartography.com>) is a collaborative online journal devoted to a wide range of urban issues. Articles on subjects such as GIS, imaging and cartography technologies; urban studies and social problems; demography; architecture; land-use and planning issues; transportation and even to some extent civil engineering are all appropriate. Call for Authors: Students, professionals and others with an interest in these subjects are urged to email the Editors, Gaela Mitchell and J. Lurie-Terrell at [urbancartography@gmail.com](mailto:urbancartography@gmail.com) to be placed on the editorial board. There is no time commitment; authors may write as much or as little as they like. It is also perfectly acceptable to write short articles on your own projects, if they fit within the purview of Urban Cartography.

**“Cities for Progress”** a new initiative of **Institute for Policy Studies**, is a growing network of locally-elected officials and community-led activists and citizens working together for social change. Following in the footsteps of Cities for Peace local resolutions prior to the Iraq war in which almost 200 cities and towns expressed their concerns about local costs of such a war, Cities for Progress is taking on other issues such as Universal Health Care and Anti-Walmart campaigns. For information and resources, visit: <http://www.citiesforprogress.org/> .

**Center on Hunger and Poverty.** Their newly formatted website will focus solely on hunger and food insecurity, <http://www.centeronhunger.org/>

## **JOBS:**

ALBERTA

### **Section Head, New Community Design and Subdivision Services**

**City of Calgary**

**Calgary, AB**

The City of Calgary is looking for a visionary leader in the design and planning of both "Greenfield" and "Brownfield" development. In addition to being extremely progressive and creative in community design, the Development and Building Approvals Business Unit also provides services devoted to the use and development of land; the safety, health, occupancy, and use of buildings; the licensing of businesses and business activities; and the provision of accurate and timely data to support the land and building process.

**Responsibilities:** As Section Head, you will lead a talented and qualified team of planners, urban designers, technicians and support staff. From City Council, you will have the mandate to create vision for our city and work closely with major developers to ensure development is not ordinary, but unique, meaningful and progressive in approach, style, and use. You will also have delegated authority from Council to approve subdivisions. You will participate in new community policy preparation, growth management strategies, streets standards review, and sustainable suburbs policy.

Qualifications: Post-secondary degree in planning or urban design with a professional designation, exceptional ability to evaluate and negotiate quality neighbourhood and public realm designs, ability to work well within a political environment and a business environment and develop strong relationships. If you have excellent experience in urban design and would appreciate this opportunity to really have an impact on Calgary, then you are encouraged to contact: (403) 261-8080, Monica Simpson (ext.324) or Noranne Dickin (ext.322), Conroy Ross Partners Limited, Suite 830, 255 - 5 Avenue S.W., Calgary, Alberta T2P 3G6, Fax: (403) 261-8085; Email: [mail@conroyross.com](mailto:mail@conroyross.com) , web: [www.conroyross.com](http://www.conroyross.com)

## ARIZONA

### **Community Housing And Neighborhood Manager City of Flagstaff Flagstaff, AZ**

(Vacancy #069-05)

Make a difference and join the Community Investment Division, a newly created area within the Community Development Department. Community Investment encompasses redevelopment, urban design, housing, code administration, long-range planning, public art, historic preservation, and open spaces. Perform professional planning duties related to the development and preservation of affordable housing including project preparation, analysis and presentation. Help to ensure a variety of housing opportunities are available to a diverse population.

Minimum Requirements: Bachelor's Degree in urban planning, public administration, business, or related field. Two years experience involved with the management and administration of an affordable housing program for a municipality or unit of local government. This position is full-time, benefit eligible, FLSA exempt. Benefits package includes: 11 paid holidays, 16 paid vacation days, 12 paid sick days and health, dental, life, vision insurance and Arizona State retirement. Must possess, or obtain upon employment, a valid Arizona drivers license. May be required to attend evening meetings as necessitated by the position. Salary: \$48,006-\$69,576. Position is open until filled. Applications can be downloaded from: [www.flagstaff.az.gov](http://www.flagstaff.az.gov)

## CALIFORNIA

### **Redevelopment Planner Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency Sacramento, CA**

Community & Economic Development:

- Open and maintain ongoing communication with and between members of the community, its elected representatives and agencies serving the neighborhood.
- Empower community members by responding to concerns, mobilizing support and providing technical assistance through the development and training of community advisory groups, facilitation of public meetings, and presentation to existing community groups

Capital & Infrastructure Project Implementation and Management:

- Identify appropriate funding sources in new and modified legislation and regulations and work with SHRA, City and County to open paths to existing funding
- Expedite the closing of all funding, contract, permit, licensing and other requirements to begin implementation of a project plan
- Maintain and coordinate the ongoing activities of projects at all levels of implementation

Salary: Range 2 \$4027--\$4895 and Range 3 \$4662--\$5667

Contact: Human Resources, Email: [humanresources@shra.org](mailto:humanresources@shra.org) Ph: 916-440-1306,

\*For complete list of duties and more details, visit: <http://www.shra.org>

## DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

### **Director, Community Outreach for Urban Initiative Urban Land Institute Washington, DC**

The Urban Land Institute, an international non-profit real estate and land use research and education organization located in Georgetown, is seeking a Director of Community Outreach for Urban Initiative. Must have verifiable experience in housing and urban development and a minimum of 8 years experience in the private/public or non-profit sector working on urban development issues, providing technical assistance and outreach to state and local organizations. Qualified candidates must have a Master's degree in urban planning, public administration, real estate or related field. To apply, please send cover letter, resume, and salary requirement to: [jobs@uli.org](mailto:jobs@uli.org) or mail to ULI, Attn: Human Resources, 1025 Thomas Jefferson Street, Suite 500W, DC 20007, Web: [www.uli.org](http://www.uli.org)

## NORTH CAROLINA

### **Sustainable Building and Land Use Planner SAIC Fort Bragg, NC**

Position will require individual to provide assistance to the land use and planning sustainability teams, working closely with the Environmental Management Branch, the Real Property Planning Branch, and the department of public works to ensure success in meeting long-term sustainability goals with respect to land use and design/construction of green buildings. The candidate will support development of a community plan for targeted areas of Fort Bragg, NC. The successful candidate will support development of a strategic plan for compatible land use in the Fort Bragg area, including performing reviews of changes to zoning rules and ordinances in the five mile area surrounding the installation. The successful candidate will support the Fort Bragg Master Planning Team in working with the Corps of Engineers and DPW to plan, design, and construct green or sustainable buildings in future development activities at Fort Bragg. Education: B.S. in Engineering or Urban Planning. Experience: 4-8 years in planning or construction oversight projects. Contact: Kevin Palmer, Email: [Kevin.J.Palmer@SAIC.com](mailto:Kevin.J.Palmer@SAIC.com), Ph: (434)295-7318, Fax: (434)296-7801

## OHIO

### **Director of Planning Neighborhood Design Center Columbus, OH**

The Neighborhood Design Center is a small non-profit design studio, which provides conceptual design and planning assistance to businesses and neighborhoods in the underserved areas of Columbus. Applicants should have a professional degree in City and Regional Planning (Master's preferred) and at least three years of planning experience, preferably in physical planning and urban design. The Director of Planning will be responsible for all planning activities and will work with the Executive Director to establish a volunteer professional program. Creativity and ability to motivate volunteers are essential. Grant writing experience will be useful. Salary is commensurate with experience. Send resumes to: Joel Teaford, Executive Director, Neighborhood Design Center, 415 East Main Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215 or by e-mail at [joel@neighborhooddesign.org](mailto:joel@neighborhooddesign.org) . Ph: (614) 221-5001, Web: [www.neighborhooddesign.org](http://www.neighborhooddesign.org)

## ONTARIO

### **Senior Planner- Local Development Corporation of the County of Bruce Walkerton, ON**

The County of Bruce is seeking qualified applicants for the position of Senior Planner-Local Development in the Walkerton office of the Planning and Economic Development Department. Reporting to the Director, the Senior Planner will be responsible for the day to day operation of the Walkerton office, including supervising, training and mentoring Planners. Acting as senior staff advisor to our eight local municipalities on all Planning Act Applications, the Senior Planner will review and assist Planners with all applications, enquiries and development advice. The position offers the successful applicant the opportunity to partake in a wide variety of land use planning issues, pertaining to urban development pressures, rural land use issues, environmental issues and lakeshore/cottage development pressures. The successful applicant will be part of a team responsible for reviewing and processing development applications (i.e. Official Plan and Zoning By-Law Amendments, Subdivisions, Consents and Minor Variances). Good presentation and communication skills will be required to provide information to the public and municipal officials on all aspects of planning functions at both the County and local municipal levels. Salary range is \$56,565 - \$66,546, plus comprehensive benefit package.

Minimum Qualifications: Degree in Planning or a related discipline, five years of experience in municipal planning, supervisory or management experience, strong computer literacy in word processing, spreadsheets and databases, membership in O.P.P.I. or C.P.I. is preferred. Assets: Demonstrated expert knowledge of and direct experience with subdivision and condominium approvals. The closing date for applications is Friday, July 15, 2005. Interested candidates are invited to submit a covering letter and a resume to: Mr. D. J. Harris, Director of Human Resources, Corporation of the County of Bruce, P.O. Box 70, Walkerton, ON N0G 2V0

Applications may also be e-mailed to: [employment@brucecounty.on.ca](mailto:employment@brucecounty.on.ca) in either Word or WordPerfect format.

## OREGON

### **Associate Transportation Planner, Rogue Valley Council of Governments Central Point, OR**

Job Description: The Rogue Valley Council of Governments is seeking an associate transportation planner to assist in carrying out the federal metropolitan transportation planning requirements for the RVMPO. Performs regional transportation and land use planning; provides assistance in updating regional transportation plans; evaluates environmental impacts of transportation programs and projects; assists member jurisdictions with transportation planning issues, plans and projects; and coordinates with local, state and federal agencies for Department and Rogue Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO).

Graduation from a four-year college with major course work in transportation or land use planning or related field. Minimum of two years of progressively responsible transportation planning experience. MPO experience preferred. Salary Range: \$2,827 - \$3,834/month. Experience Required: 2-3 Years. For more information and to receive an application packet, call RVCOG at (541)664-6674 or visit: [www.rvcog.org](http://www.rvcog.org) ; e-mail [admin@rvcog.org](mailto:admin@rvcog.org) . Closing date for applying is July 22, 2005.

## VIRGINIA

### **Housing Policy Manager Loudoun County Government Leesburg, VA**

The Department of Social Services Housing Division is seeking a Housing Policy Manager to develop and implement workforce housing initiatives approved by the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors. Responsible for developing an overall housing needs plan for Loudoun County and includes establishing a Housing Trust Fund and expanding the revitalization tax program, etc. Position will work closely with, and serve as a liaison from, the Department of Social Services to the Housing Advisory Board, Industrial Development Authority, Economic Development Commission and other appropriate entities. Monitor financial records with appropriate staff to ensure that federal, state and local funds are disbursed and utilized appropriately. Supervises staff and other duties as assigned. Requires a master's degree in business or public administration, human services, public policy or a related field and four years of experience in housing, government related services, human services, contract management, policy development and community programming. Salary Range: \$52,219 – \$87,728. Experience Required: 3-5 Years. For additional information and to receive a required application, contact website: [www.loudoun.gov](http://www.loudoun.gov) or call 24-hour job line: (703) 777-0536. Resumes and completed applications may be emailed to [hr@loudoun.gov](mailto:hr@loudoun.gov)



