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Please send in your updates to [newsletter@plannersnetwork.org](mailto:newsletter@plannersnetwork.org). Send in news about yourself and your work, notices about jobs, events, publications, and grants of interest to progressive planners (maximum 100 words please). Have a message or opinion you want to get out? Write it up (maximum 250 words; longer pieces may be considered for the magazine) and send them in as well.

## PN NEWS

### 2010 PN CONFERENCE: June 16-20, 2010

Dear PNers -

We are very excited to formally announce plans for a big 2010 Conference

#### **Toward a Just Metropolis: From Crises to Possibilities**

A conference for planners, designers, activists, policymakers and citizens dedicated to a just future for all human settlements

June 16-20, 2010

The San Francisco East Bay Area

Hosted by the College of Environmental Design at the University of California, Berkeley

*Sponsors:* PLANNERS NETWORK ♦ YOUNG PLANNERS NETWORK ♦ ARCHITECTS DESIGNERS /PLANNERS FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY ♦ CENTER FOR THE LIVING CITY ♦ ASSOCIATION FOR COMMUNITY DESIGN

Mark your calendars now, and plan on coming to California in June. This will be a big conference, in part because we are partnering with some great organizations. Stay tuned for more information on a call for papers and presentations, registration information, and much much more.

Given the economic climate, we need volunteers to help make this conference work and to keep it affordable for low-income residents, students, and pretty much everyone else. There are lots of ways to plug in - contact Alex Schafran at [schafran@gmail.com](mailto:schafran@gmail.com).

See you in California!

## PN MEMBER UPDATES

PNer **Alex Schafran** has won Edward W. Soja Prize for his recent publication "Outside Endopolis: Notes from Contra Costa County", *Critical Planning*, Vol. 16, 2009. It is available online from [here](#).

PN'er **Josh Lerner and Gianpaolo Baiocchi** recently founded an organization, **The Participatory Budgeting Project**, to provide support and technical assistance to local governments and organizations interested in developing or improving participatory budgeting processes. This November in **Chicago's 49th Ward**, they will help launch what is arguably the first participatory budgeting process in the US. Residents of the ward will directly decide how to spend over \$1 million of Alderman Joe Moore's discretionary budget. For more information see the following links:

- [Chicago's 49th Ward](#)
- [The Participatory Budgeting Project](#)
- [joshalerner@gmail.com](mailto:joshalerner@gmail.com)

## NEW & RENEWING MEMBERS

Maggie Adams

Tomasz Majek

Alice Walkup

Brijith Alex  
Muhammed Nazeer Bawa  
Janis Breidenbach  
Caitlin Cahill  
Kevin Costa  
Kathleen Day  
Clement Lai  
Christopher Lepe

Susan Marsh  
Jaime Nelson  
Carole O'Brien  
Elisa Pintor  
Mark Roseland  
Elizabeth Shockey  
Mike Smart  
Jim Stockard

Anne Watson

## PUBLICATIONS

**Economic Justice, Labor and Community Practice**, is the theme of a recent Special Issue of the *Journal of Community Practice* - Vol. 17, Nos. 1-2, edited by Louise Simmons and Scott Harding, both of the University of Connecticut School of Social Work.

"The Gentrification Reader" (April 2010 pub. Date, 624 pp.), eds. Loretta Lees, Tom Slater & Elvin Wyly will be available from Routledge. \$53.95, but 20% off with code TGR09. [Website](#).

"Without Housing: Decades of Federal Housing Cutbacks, Massive Homelessness, and Policy Failures" (2009, 65 pp.) is available from the Western Regional Advocacy Project, 2940 16th St., #200-2, San Francisco, CA 94103, [wrap@wraphome.org](mailto:wrap@wraphome.org), [Website](#).

"There Is No Place Like Home: Revisiting Our Commitment to Housing the Poor" (Feb. 2009, 12 pp.) is available from the National Economic & Social Rights Initiative, 90 John St., #308, NYC, NY 10038, 212/253-3710, [www.nesri.org](http://www.nesri.org).

"New Homes, New Neighborhoods, New Schools: A Progress Report on the Baltimore Housing Mobility Program" (Oct. 2009, 52 pp.) by Lora Engdahl, is available from PRRAC.

"Out of the Projects, Still in the Hood: The Spatial Constraints on Public Housing Residents' Relocation in Chicago" (2009) Deiere Oakley and Keri Burchfield. *Journal of Urban Affairs*, Online First. [Download](#).

## EVENTS

February 4-6, 2010. "9th Annual New Partners for Smart Growth: Building Safe, Healthy and Livable Communities," Seattle, WA. For more info click [here](#).

March 7 - 10, 2010. "Cities of the Future 2010," Boston, MA. For more info click [here](#).

March 10-13 2010. "International Conference of Innovative Cities," Curitiba, Brazil. For more info click [here](#).

July 15-20th, 2010. "5th i-Rec International Conference-Workshop on Participatory Design and Appropriate Technology for Post-Disaster Reconstruction" organized by the Centre for Environmental Planning and Technology University (CEPT), Ahmedabad, India. Visit the 5th i-REC conference [website](#) and i-Rec [website](#).

## FELLOWSHIPS

### Environment, Society, and Culture of Ecuador

July 27 - August 15, 2010

#### Ecuador Summer Study Abroad

Eastern Illinois University invites undergraduate and graduate students, teachers, friends and adult family to experience the land and people of Ecuador, the Amazon rainforest and the Galapagos Islands July 27 through Aug. 15, 2010. All majors are welcome to learn about geography, earth science, culture and history in this four-credit course titled "Environment, Society and Culture of Ecuador." Program fee includes first rate lodging, international and in-country airfares, meals, boat and ground transportation, estimated \$6,600 plus tuition. Out of state participants welcome and pay in-state tuition in the summer. For details, visit [here](#) or call Betty Smith at 217-581-6340 or 217-549-4900 (cell) or e-mail [besmith@eiu.edu](mailto:besmith@eiu.edu)

Here are a few cool links for a pretty poster [here](#) and a power point [here](#) viewable on the web.

## CALL FOR PAPERS

### "Resilience", Critical Planning, UCLA Urban Planning Journal

Volume 17, Summer 2010

Deadline: January 15, 2010

Critical Planning is a double-blind peer-reviewed publication. Feature articles are generally between 5,000 and 7,000 words, while shorter articles are between 1,000 and 3,000 words. We encourage submissions that incorporate cross-disciplinary, multi-scalar, multi-sited, transnational, and/or mixed-method approaches. We also welcome submissions of photographs, maps, art, or design projects related to the topic of resilience for publication in the journal.

The 2010 Edward W. Soja Prize for Critical Thinking in Urban and Regional Research will be awarded to the best article published in Critical Planning volume 17. The prize celebrates the lifetime achievements of this critical thinker whose work continues to open new research directions for the theoretical and practical understanding of contemporary cities and regions. For the prize, we will consider all articles selected for publication through Critical Planning's double-blind peer review process. Preference will be given to authors speaking to critical issues outside the research agendas of traditional funding agencies and institutional donors. A \$1,000 prize will be awarded to the author of the winning article.

Submissions will be accepted on a rolling basis, and we highly encourage early submissions. Feel free to contact us by email to discuss your ideas. All submissions should be written according to the standards of the Chicago Manual of Style, 15th Edition. Please follow the journal's additional style guidelines for submissions. Manuscripts should be submitted by 5 PM PST on January 15, 2010 as .doc attachments via email to [critplan@ucla.edu](mailto:critplan@ucla.edu) and two hardcopies (postmarked by January 15) mailed to: Critical Planning, c/o Orly Linovski, Managing Editor, UCLA Department of Urban Planning, School of Public Affairs, 3250 Public Policy Building, Los Angeles, CA 90095-1656, USA.

Download Critical Planning's complete "Resilience" call for papers [here](#).

## Canadian Planning and Policy 2010: Contribute

Canadian Planning and Policy, an annual peer-reviewed supplement to the Canadian Journal of Urban Research, is a scholarly publication project undertaken by the Association of Canadian University Planning Programs, the Canadian Institute of Planners, and the University of Winnipeg's Institute of Urban Studies. Canadian Planning and Policy/seeks manuscripts reflecting the scope and diversity of planning theory and practice in Canada.

Manuscripts should be under 8000 words in length and written in English or French. Please adhere to the style guide at: [http://ius.uwinnipeg.ca/cjur\\_contribute.html](http://ius.uwinnipeg.ca/cjur_contribute.html).

By 10 January 2010, authors should send an electronic copy to the Guest Editors for the 2010 edition:

Jill Grant [jill.grant@dal.ca](mailto:jill.grant@dal.ca) [English papers]

Marie-Odile Trepanier [marie.odile.trepanier@umontreal.ca](mailto:marie.odile.trepanier@umontreal.ca) [French papers]

## JOBS

### FLORIDA

#### Director of Shimberg Center for Housing Studies Gainesville, FL

The M.E. Rinker, Sr. School of Building Construction at the University of Florida [www.bcn.ufl.edu](http://www.bcn.ufl.edu) seeks a Director for the Shimberg Center for Housing Studies (SCHS). SCHS was established at the University of Florida in 1988 to promote safe, decent and affordable housing and related community development throughout the state of Florida .

The Center conducts research relating to the problems and solutions associated with the availability of affordable housing in the state. For more information about SCHS Candidates are encouraged to view the following websites: the SCHS general site [website](#), the Florida Housing Data Clearinghouse [website](#), and the SCHS [website](#) on research and data regarding assisted rental housing preservation.

The Director is responsible for managing research and service which are focused upon problems and solutions associated with the availability of affordable housing in the state of Florida, and disseminating the results of such research to appropriate public and private audiences in the state and throughout the nation.

The position will be filled at the rank of Associate Professor or Professor in the Rinker School of Building Construction, tenure upon hire negotiable based upon experience. Applicants must demonstrate academic credentials and experience appropriate to the academic rank and ability to assume leadership in research, teaching and service congruent with the mission of SCHS. A doctoral degree and distinguished record of research and scholarly activities are required. Familiarity with state and national housing programs and policies and facility in the use of housing and demographic data in policy research are essential. Successful experience in a university research environment is strongly desirable.

For a full job description and to apply please visit [here](#). Application deadline: January 18, 2010.

## MISSISSIPPI

### Assistant Director

Carl Small Town Center, Mississippi State University  
Starkville, Mississippi

The Carl Small Town Center (CSTC) is a community design center located in the College of Architecture, Art, and Design at Mississippi State University. The Center provides research, planning, and design guidance to communities throughout Mississippi. The Assistant Director will assist the CSTC Director with the design and management of specific projects and will teach studios and seminars emphasizing community design.

*Responsibilities:* Design, plan, manage, and administer a variety of projects addressing buildings, small towns, and rural communities; Write proposals and prepare grant applications to fund CSTC projects; Manage projects and students; Conduct research; Illustrate ideas graphically and clearly explain ideas verbally; Develop marketing strategies and materials and write press releases; Teach studio or seminar classes emphasizing community design; Stay active in state and national organizations focused on small town issues.

*Qualifications:* A master's degree in a design-related field; A professional degree in Architecture (B. Arch, M. Arch), Urban Planning (B. Urban Planning, M. Urban Planning) or Landscape Architecture (MLA) is preferred; Professional experience in an appropriate field (community design, historic preservation, or urban planning/ design) is preferred; Administrative and/or teaching experience is preferred.

To apply, send a resume and three letters of recommendation to Dean Jim West, College of Architecture, Art, and Design, Mississippi State University, P.O. Box AQ, Mississippi State, MS 39762. For further information please visit [here](#).

## NEW YORK

### Regional Logistics Planner - Two Positions

Public Health Solutions- RCPT

New York, NY

The US Department of Homeland Security (DHS) recently funded an initiative, coordinated by the Regional Catastrophic Planning Team (RCPT), to build a robust regional infrastructure and enhance catastrophic preparedness in the NY-NJ-CT-PA combined statistical area.

The RCPT is seeking two (2) Regional Logistics Planners. Planners will work as part of a larger Regional Logistics Team that focuses on logistics planning, resource management, information sharing and training within the region. Each Planner will be assigned to *two* of the following four program areas: Volunteer and Donations Management; Credentialing; Website development; Conference planning.

The ideal candidate will have an interest in public service, the ability to complete complex projects on deadline, manage multiple projects in a fast-paced work environment, experience conducting research and using research reporting tools and databases. A background in emergency management, human services, logistics, information technology or a combination of these areas is preferable.

*Responsibilities:* Conduct research on best practices and lessons learned from regional partners; Write comprehensive emergency response plans; Develop relationships with regional partners and build planning teams; Manage execution and delivery of contract work on time and within budget; Manage development of website and/or annual conference.

For qualification requirements or to apply for this position, visit our website [here](#). Online applications only. EOE.

## OREGON

### Economist 4 (Regional Economist)

State of Oregon Department of Human Services

Salem, Oregon

The Office of Forecasting, Research and Analysis (OFRA) builds the infrastructure necessary to efficiently support its functions; produces useful caseload forecasts for major Department of Human Services (DHS) client-based services (over 45 different programs); analyzes cross-cluster client interrelationships and services for information used by policy makers, such as DHS Cabinet and legislators; and performs social service research to better understand caseload variation.

This position is a lead caseload forecaster for the department with particular expertise in the field of regional forecasting for all programs. This position defines the critical components and conceptualizes complex research and forecasting projects in the areas of expertise. The person in this position also interprets and modifies preliminary forecast models to resolve unique, complex issues that emerge.

The major duties include: Working with the Department of Human Services, Legislative Fiscal Office and Department of Administrative Services, and Governor's Office staff to isolate and define critical components affecting client caseload; conceptualize and develop complex forecasting methodologies; and estimate the impact of client caseload policy changes on multi-billion dollar programs; produce the official caseload forecast.

Coordinate the activities of the OFRA Regional Forecasting unit including the development of a statewide system of information gathering, integration, and dissemination to enable regional forecasting; develop and propose specific methodologies to implement regional forecasting.

For further information please visit [here](#).

## TENNESSEE

### Associate or Full Professor/Director of the Mid-Sized Cities Policy Research Institute

University of Memphis, School of Urban Affairs and Public Policy  
Memphis, TN

The Graduate Program in City and Regional Planning in the School of Urban Affairs and Public Policy at The University of Memphis is seeking to recruit a senior scholar to serve as the Founding Director and Senior Research Scholar in Residence for its newly-established Mid-Sized Cities Policy Research Institute. Successful candidates must have an earned doctorate in city and regional planning from a PAB-approved institution and an academic record qualifying them for appointment as an Associate Professor or Professor, with tenure, at The University of Memphis.

Candidates must have a minimum of five years experience successfully funding and managing an interdisciplinary research program focused on critical environmental, economic, and social problems confronting Mid-Sized Cities. Successful candidates must be able to supervise research and teach in one or more of the following areas: economic development, affordable housing, public transportation, spatial analysis, and international development. Successful candidates will also be expected to contribute to the Schools' current efforts to establish a new doctoral program in applied social sciences.

Salary for this 9-month position is competitive. Review of completed applications will begin on February 1, 2010 and will continue until the position is filled. Please submit a letter of interest, curriculum vitae, university transcripts, three letters of interest, samples of your most recently published work and copies of your most current teaching evaluations to: [workforum.memphis.edu](http://workforum.memphis.edu) (Associate Professor/ Professor/Graduate Program in City and Regional Planning position). The University of Memphis is a public urban research university that is an Equal Opportunity/ Affirmative Action Employer. For a more complete job description or to apply please visit [here](#).

## AMSTERDAM

### Assistant Professor in Urban and Regional Planning

University of Amsterdam, Faculty of Social and Behavioral Sciences



Urban and Regional Planning research and education at the University of Amsterdam are embedded within the Planning, Institutions and Transforming Spaces theme group. They are directed at understanding the spatial governance challenges of the contemporary metropolis, and at identifying ways of addressing these challenges. Within this broader field there is a lively area of specialization concerned with identifying ways of better integrating transportation and spatial planning and development. The assistant professor will help further expand and consolidate this area of specialization. Fostering communication between the disciplines of transportation planning and spatial planning and critical exchange between planning science and planning practice are viewed as crucial to this pursuit.

For a full job description or to apply please visit [here](#).