

8th Annual Southwestern Pennsylvania Smart Growth Conference
Revitalize the Region: Seize Market Interests to Redevelop Core Communities

AGENDA

- 8:30 Registration and Continental Breakfast
- 9:00 Welcome & Introduction
Susan Hockenberry, Local Government Academy
- 9:15 **How the Region's Plan Charts a New Smart Growth Direction for the Region**
Jim Hassinger, Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission
- 9:40 **Assessing the Readiness of Local Government in SWPA to Attract Business and Industry**
Presentation & Interactive Exercise
Shelley Kimelberg, Center for Urban and Regional Policy at Northeastern University
- 10:40 Break
- 11:00 **Keynote Address - Revitalize the Region: Seize Market Interest to Redevelop Core Communities**
Christopher Leinberger
- 11:50 Q & A
- 12:00 Lunch
- 1:00 **NAIOP Developers' Panel - Leveling the Field: Positioning Communities for Investment**
Moderator: *Lynn DeLorenzo, DeLorenzo & Co. LLC*
Jack Machek, PA DCED
Lucas Piatt, Millcraft Industries
Ron Tarquinio, TARQUINCoRE, LLC
- 1:40 **Implementing Smart Growth through Innovations in Zoning**
Gregory Heller, Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission
- 2:10 **Local Government Panel - Applying New Zoning Techniques**
Moderator: *Alex Graziani, Smart Growth Partnership of Westmoreland County*
John Trant, Cranberry Township
Keith McGill, Mt. Lebanon
Denny Puko, Governor's Center for Local Government Services/PA DCED
- 2:50 Q & A
- 3:05 **Launch of New Network - SWPA Sustainable Community Development Network**
New deal solutions for sustainable communities - green jobs, safe streets, beautiful home towns
Bracken Burns, Washington County
Diane Sheets, Butler Community Development Corporation
Laura Zinski, Mon Valley Initiative
- 3:30 Adjourn