

STATEWIDE PLANNING e-NEWS

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We're Here to Help

One of the central missions of the Statewide Planning Program is to enable cities and towns to create great communities. The staff of the Statewide Planning Program is here to help, with everything from document review to data gathering, fact checking to facilitation. Our staff has expertise in a variety of topics, including GIS and mapping, public participation, data analysis, redevelopment planning and urban design. If you think your community could benefit from the assistance of the Statewide Planning Program, contact Jared Rhodes at 222-5772 or Jared.Rhodes@doa.ri.gov.

RhodeMap RI Kicks-Off State Planning Effort

Rhode Island Sustainable Communities has a new name! The state-led effort to develop strategies for economic development, housing, and growth is now – **RhodeMap RI: Building a Better Rhode Island.**

The Division of Planning announced the new name at the project kick-off on Thursday, May 23 at the Department of Administration. More than 100 representatives of community organizations, state agencies, and municipalities gathered to talk and think about the project. Through small discussion groups and keypad polling, attendees worked together to consider how to incorporate equity into the planning process, identify areas of broad consensus and disagreement, and make statewide planning and policy-making relevant to the lives of Rhode Islanders.

The project kick-off was just the start of what will be an extensive public engagement process, which will include regional public workshops and online tools. The first round of public workshops will occur in late June and early-July. More details on the workshops and the project website will emerge in the next few weeks.

For more information on RhodeMap RI or to get involved with the effort, please contact Melanie Army (melanie.army@doa.ri.gov) or Chris Witt (chris.witt@doa.ri.gov) at the Division of Planning. Information is also available at: <http://www.planning.ri.gov/statewideplanning/sustainable/>



Division of Planning Committee Meetings



State Planning Council

Scheduled for June 13, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. in Conference Room A on the second floor of the Justice William E. Powers Building; Department of Administration; One Capitol Hill; Providence. Web address <http://www.planning.ri.gov/council/planningcouncil/>

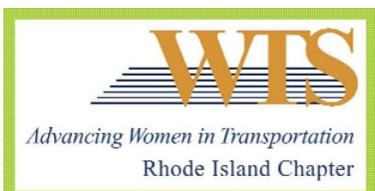
Technical Committee

Scheduled for June 7, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. in Conference Room A on the second floor of the Justice William E. Powers Building; Department of Administration; One Capitol Hill; Providence. Web address <http://www.planning.ri.gov/council/technical/>

Transportation Advisory Committee

Schedule for June 27, 2013 at 6:30 p.m., Conference Room A on the second floor of the Justice William E. Powers Building; Department of Administration; One Capitol Hill; Providence. Web address: <http://www.planning.ri.gov/council/transportation>

WTS-Rhode Island June Luncheon - The Future of T. F. Green Airport



Please join WTS-Rhode Island for a luncheon on

Thursday, June 13 from 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM at the Iron Works Tavern in Warwick, RI. Newly appointed Rhode Island Airport Corporation (RIAC) President and CEO Kelly Fredericks will give an update on the expansion plans and discuss his vision of the future of T.F. Green Airport. To register for this event contact Andrew Borges at 508-823-2245 Ext. 3011 or wtsrhodeisland@gmail.com by 4:00 PM on Thursday, June 6.

For the June Luncheon on flyer, click http://www.wtsinternational.org/assets/80/22/WTS-RI_June1_2013_Luncheon_flyer1.pdf

The Northeastern Economic Developers Association

has scheduled an educational program on disaster recovery on June 4th in Norwalk Connecticut. This daylong seminar will address community and business recovery, infrastructure restoration and a scenario planning simulation exercise for events such as Hurricanes Sandy and Irene, 9-11, and the Newtown shooting.

You'll hear from communities that are getting back up after getting hit by a disaster. Whether it was a natural or man-made disaster, these communities have learned lessons they'll share with you. Bringing the electric grid and communications system back up is fundamental to communities recovering. Our speakers will discuss the new technology that makes these systems more resilient. They'll discuss planning, coordination with communities and the steps they take to restore utility service. Following morning sessions, the Association of Contingency Planners facilitate role playing as a Mayor, Fire Chief, EOC Director or emergency responder facing a disaster and then "Meet the Press". For more information contact Pam Sherrill, Johnston Town Planner at 231-4000x4021, planner@johnston-ri.us.

4 CM credits will be requested for this program. See NEDA website: <https://m360.nedaonline.org/ViewEvent.aspx?id=77341&instance=0> for flyer and registration.

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WORKSHOPS REGISTER NOW! Registration cost: \$99 per workshop.

EXCEL (BASICS) SATURDAY: June 15, 2013, GRANT WRITING Thursday: June 27, 2013
Critical Thinking Tuesday: July 9, 2013, EXCEL (ADVANCED) SATURDAY: July 20, 2013
POWERPOINT & GRAPHICS Tuesday: July 23, 2013, ACCESS Tuesday: July 30, 2013, OUTLOOK Thursday: August 15, 2013

For **REGISTRATION** form and workshop details go to our webpage: http://www.uri.edu/prov/certificate_noncredit/noncredit/profdevelopment.html

All workshops meet at URI Feinstein Providence Campus 80 Washington Street, Providence-9am-4pm in Room 329.

All workshops use the **Microsoft Office 2010** setting.

Handouts are filled with shortcuts, step-by-step guides/tips and include instructions for **Office 2010, 2007, and 2003.**

Free parking at the RI Convention Center Parking Garage.

Each participant will receive a **Certificate of Completion** for the workshop.



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2012 Local Population Estimates Release

The U.S. Census Bureau released its city and town population estimates for Rhode Island this month. The June Census Data Bulletin explores the latest estimates, looking at patterns of gains and losses in cities and towns. A few distinctive geographic patterns are visible, some new and some old.

Providence and several of its neighboring cities and towns to the north and west are making gains, while most East Bay, South County, and Aquidneck Island communities are looking at losses. The Census Data Bulletin is available at http://www.planning.ri.gov/documents/census/bulletin/bulletin_June2013.pdf. The population estimates are available at <http://www.census.gov/popest/data/cities/totals/2012/index.html>.

