

Transit-Oriented Development: Environmental and Public Benefits

Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) has clear public benefits. It can fill the need for strategically-located affordable housing. It can benefit the economy by increasing property tax revenues and creating more prosperous mixed use and commercial zones. TOD's environmental benefits are less well known but equally important. TOD promotes energy-efficient denser development which can reduce automobile dependence. It also helps preserve open spaces by reducing sprawl and reclaiming unusable space through brownfield remediation. This IForum will explore how natural allies -- advocates for affordable housing, mass transit, energy conservation, and environmental protection -- can work together to focus on smart growth planning in conjunction with environmental quality and justice.

Join us as we explore progress to date and state-of-the-art strategies for creating, smaller, denser, more affordable, and energy-efficient homes near transit.

Keynote Speaker:

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Prior to her work with T4A, Ms. Osborne served as Acting Assistant Secretary for Transportation Policy for the US DOT under the Obama Administration. She also served on Governor Malloy's Transportation Finance Panel, developing strategies to modernize Connecticut's transportation Infrastructure in 2015.

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Snow date Feb 28, 2018

The Lyceum, 227 Lawrence Street, Hartford, CT
Directions: www.lyceumcenter.org

8:30am – 9:00am Breakfast & Conversation
9:00am – 11:00am Program

Event is free and open to the public. Register early to ensure a seat as we expect strong attendance.

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Panel discussion:

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