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BROWNFIELDS 2015 NATIONAL TRAINING CONFERENCE LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND EQUITABLE DEVELOPMENT POLICY, STRATEGIES AND COMMUNITY BEST PRACTICES ROUNDTABLE

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2015, 2:15PM TO 3:30PM
BOULEVARD ROOM, HILTON CHICAGO HOTEL
CHICAGO, IL

FACILITATOR Deeohn Ferris, President, Sustainable Community Development Group

SPEAKERS Daniel Walsh, Director, Mayor's Office of Environmental Remediation, New York, NY
Honorable Jacqueline Goodall, Mayor, Town of Forest Heights, MD
Honorable Vivian Covington, Mayor, City of University Park, IL
John Titkanich, City Manager, City of Cocoa, FL

This Brownfields 2015 Conference session engages participants seeking to partner with local government in community engagement and strategies that connect populations of color and low income with the social, health and economic benefits of brownfields redevelopment. Urban, suburban and small community Mayors and City Managers will convey effective local government tools and strategies for designing, planning and implementing public policies and community best practices.

PUTTING BROWNFIELDS TO WORK FOR YOUR COMMUNITY

Sustainable Community Development Group is a Washington, DC based nonprofit that specializes in building healthy communities which provide sustainability for all. We believe that healthy inclusive community building results from a process that intersects 3 directives: equitable economic development, environmental justice and smart growth.

TAKING ACTION ON BROWNFIELDS IN YOUR COMMUNITY

Sustainable Community Development Group's **Green Economy Technical Assistance Project** is an initiative that builds leadership and community capacity in the areas of equitable development, environmental justice and smart growth. Working in partnership with US EPA's Office of Brownfields and Land Revitalization, the project delivers targeted training and workshops for mayors and municipalities, focused on environmental, socioeconomic and public health concerns that catalyze brownfields clean up, community revitalization and local resiliency.

The training prepares local leaders and those involved in land use planning with know-how to effectively integrate policies that help benefit local residents historically affected by brownfields and economic disinvestment through policies such as minority contracting, workforce training and local hiring.

JOIN US

For more information on taking part in this exciting workshop series and to get on the mailing list for future training events, or if we can provide assistance in advancing your community's efforts, contact Sustainable Community Development Group.

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Deeohn Ferris, President
Sustainable Community Development Group

Deeohn Ferris is President of Sustainable Community Development Group, a not-for-profit research and policy innovator dedicated to advancing sustainability through equitable development, environmental justice and smart growth. She is a lawyer and a recognized provider of public policy expertise and technical assistance that tackles community inclusion and entrenched issues of poverty, economic development, environmental quality and health.



Mayor Vivian Covington
Village of University Park, Illinois

Sworn in for her second term on Tuesday, May 12, 2015, Mayor Covington became University Park's first female African American Mayor on May 10, 2011. She was a Village Board Trustee starting in 2003. Mayor Covington has resided in the Village for about 20 years. An information technology expert with more than 32 years with the federal government; Mayor Covington is employed with the Veterans Administration as a Subject Matter Expert, for critically important global technology-related programs.



Mayor Jacqueline Goodall
City of Forest Heights, Maryland

Jacqueline Goodall is the current mayor of the Town of Forest Heights and has served for eight years as an elected official in the town. Under her leadership the town has moved to the forefront of sustainable practices and established itself as a green municipality. She works locally and nationally to bring awareness, to communicate, and to educate elected officials and the community of environmental requirements and responsibilities that they have, as well as highlighting environmental injustice.



City Manager John Titkanich
City of Cocoa, Florida

Mr. Titkanich is the City Manager for the City of Cocoa, Florida and he is a member of the American Institute of Certified Planners. Prior to being appointed City Manager in February 2013, John served as the City's Community Development Director for over eight years and he previously served as a Planner in both Land Development and Economic Development for the City of Orlando. John created the Office of Economic Development for the City of Cocoa in 2002.



Daniel Walsh, Director
New York City Office of Environmental Remediation

Daniel Walsh is the founding Director of the New York City Mayor's Office of Environmental Remediation (OER). In 2011, OER launched the New York City Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP), the nation's first municipal brownfield cleanup program. In its first four years of operation, the VCP has enrolled over 300 projects, bringing new businesses, over 6,400 permanent new jobs and over 4,000 units of affordable housing to properties that were vacant for an average of almost 12 years.