

Don't Miss this Eye-Opening Event

Understanding the Challenge – A Poverty Simulation Experience

@ New Partners *for Smart Growth
Conference | Baltimore*

More than 45 million Americans – and 1 in 5 children – live in poverty. While at the New Partners for Smart Growth conference, join trained facilitators, conference attendees and other volunteers to simulate the daily challenges those in poverty experience.

Step into the shoes of low-income families, and try to provide food, shelter and basic necessities while dealing with “community resources.”

Feel poverty from a new perspective in this eye-opening experiential setting, and take home with you a deeper understanding that can make you more effective in your professional work or academic studies.

Although it uses “play” money and other props, fictional scenarios and time limits, this event is not a game. It is a simulation tool that enables conference participants to view poverty from different angles, and empowers volunteers by allowing them an opportunity to interact with leaders from across the country.

This New Partners conference event is made possible through support by The Annie E. Casey Foundation, Kaiser Permanente and the University of Maryland School of Nursing Shady Grove campus.

Volunteer Now – and Save on Conference Fees

This unique, 3.5-hour experience will run twice during the 2015 New Partners for Smart Growth conference in Baltimore:

Thursday, January 29
2:00–5:30 pm

— *and/or* —

Saturday, January 31
10:15 am–1:45 pm

— *sign up by January 9* —



Volunteer to help with one session and get free registration for that day plus a discounted rate of \$225 for the rest of the conference. Volunteer for both sessions and your registration is free for Thursday and Saturday. Additional volunteer opportunities are also available to cover registration fees for the full conference.

To volunteer: email Kelsey at kwolfcloud@lgc.org with your contact info and indicate if you want to volunteer for one or both of the sessions. **Questions?** email Aatisha at asingh@lgc.org

New Partners for Smart Growth

**Practical Tools and Innovative Strategies
for Creating Great Communities**

**January 29-31, 2015
Baltimore, Maryland**

Hilton Baltimore Hotel

The theme for New Partners 2015 in Baltimore is “Practical Tools and Innovative Strategies for Creating Great Communities,” underscoring this year’s stronger emphasis on implementation. This dynamic conference — the nation’s largest smart growth and sustainability event — offers the opportunity to form effective new partnerships and the program will feature tools, strategies, focused trainings, experiential learning opportunities and new technologies that will help communities NOW.

The Program

The three-day program includes over 80 sessions and over 300 speakers, spanning more than a dozen topic tracks. A complete list of sessions, a detailed conference schedule and a current list of invited speakers is available on the conference website: **NewPartners.org**

Special Features

- ✂ Technology Fair of Public Engagement Tools for Smart Planning
- ✂ Parklets 3.0: Taking Transformed Spaces Indoors!
- ✂ 16 Tours of Local Model Projects
- ✂ Optional Half-Day Workshops on Local Food Systems, Equitable Development and Post-Recession Revitalization
- ✂ Building-Block Prescriptions for Creating Sustainable Communities
- ✂ Extensive Networking Opportunities
- ✂ FREE Transit Passes
- ✂ Scholarships Available
- ✂ Get Education Credits for Conference Sessions

Register now:

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A national, multi-disciplinary smart growth conference
presented by the Local Government Commission

14 Conference Tracks

The Poverty Simulation Experience is just one of the sessions included in the conference’s Equitable Development and Environmental Justice track. Attendees interested in other tracks (especially elected officials) may also find this special feature a valuable addition to their conference experience.

- ✂ Communications and Engagement
- ✂ Community Resiliency and Energy Independence
- ✂ Equitable Development and Environmental Justice
- ✂ Financing, Real Estate and Development
- ✂ Public Health
- ✂ Implementing Smart Growth
- ✂ Land Preservation
- ✂ New Economy, Market Trends and Demographics
- ✂ Partnerships for Success
- ✂ Planning Tools and Technologies
- ✂ Redevelopment, Infill and Retrofits
- ✂ Small Cities and Rural Areas
- ✂ Transportation, Transit-oriented Development and Streets
- ✂ Water, Coastal Areas and Green Infrastructure

Reserve Your Hotel Room Early!

Conference sessions and hotel accommodations will be at the Hilton Baltimore Hotel near Camden Yards in Baltimore’s Inner Harbor. The group rate until January 5, 2015, is \$119 single/double occupancy. Call (800) 445-8667 to make a reservation and indicate you are attending the New Partners Conference.