"For HUD, sustainability means tying the quality and location of housing to broader opportunities, like access to good jobs, quality schools, and safe streets. It means helping communities that face common problems start sharing solutions. It means being a partner to sustainable development, not a barrier".

~ Secretary Shaun Donovan



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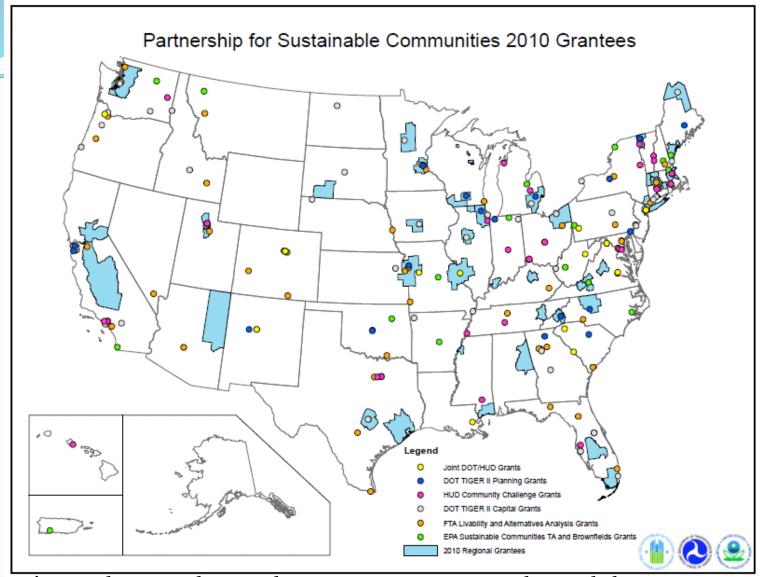
## Office of Sustainable Housing and Communities

**Goal:** To help build stronger, more sustainable communities by connecting housing to transportation, fostering local innovation, and building a clean energy economy

## **Details:**

- Office created in FY 2010
- Grants, Research, Evaluation, Capacity Building
- Two major initiatives: Sustainable Communities + Sustainable Housing

We are one component of an integrated federal strategy



"We're working to change the way government works, and that means investing tax dollars wisely and well. We want to make sure that when we're building infrastructure, we're considering how housing, transportation, and the environment all impact each other. These grants are designed to get our biggest bang for our tax dollar buck." – President Barack Obama, October 2010