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Developing THE NATIONAL HEALTHY COMMUNITIES PLATFORM

AGENDA

- PANEL CONVERSATION
- WORKING LUNCH/BREAKOUT SESSION

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E. SOCIAL EQUITY AND COMMUNITY BUILDING

- The American Planning Association supports a sustained and focused initiative in federal, state, and local public policy to reverse the general decline of neighborhoods through strategies that promote citizen involvement and reinvestment within core communities.
- The American Planning Association supports the application of smart growth principles to expand social equity in rural communities in ways that help preserve and strengthen their character.
- The American Planning Association supports increased social, economic, and racial equity in our communities and calls on the federal government to increase community development funds to remedy these inequities and to ensure that planning and land development decisions do not unfairly burden economically disadvantaged groups.
- The American Planning Association supports federal, state, and local policies and programs that encourage economically and socially diverse mixed income neighborhoods as the foundation for healthy regions, including encouragement for the provision of workforce housing in all new-growth areas and areas to be redeveloped.
- The American Planning Association supports efforts to strengthen public education systems, including pre–K, as essential components of community building in urban, suburban, and rural areas, which help to ensure that children have an opportunity for an excellent education wherever they may live, and which provide a critical element for reinvestment in urban core communities.
- The American Planning Association supports planning that identifies the transportation, housing, employment, education, recreation and health needs of our changing population, both with respect to the total number of people expected to reside in an area and also with respect to population groups with special needs such as the elderly, school children, or people of diverse cultures.
- The American Planning Association supports public-private partnerships as a means to leverage funds to achieve social equity and community redevelopment.

NEXT STEPS

- Debrief
- Synthesize this work
- Draft initial document based on this forum
- Outreach phase
- Refine draft
- Circulate platform
- Present document at NPSG 2018