D.I.Y. Great Cities

Wednesday, February 1 | 1:00-6:00 PM
Marriott St. Louis Grand Hotel | Landmark 4 Room | St. Louis, MO

Does your street or neighborhood need a pick-me-up?
Are you looking to make your community more engaging and accessible, or to implement smart-growth strategies?
Are you looking for ways to engage youth or encourage more public art?
Do you want to do it all without spending big bucks?

FREE Implementation Workshop

“What to Do, Why Do It and How to Get It Done”

This free workshop, sponsored and hosted by the Local Government Commission, is open to the public as well as New Partners conference attendees. This event will complement placemaking and tactical-urbanism demonstrations and local youth empowerment activities taking place before, during and after the 16th annual New Partners for Smart Growth conference in St. Louis (February 2-4). No need to register – just show up at least 30 minutes early to get checked-in and get your seat!

Workshop leaders include local and national placemaking and smart-growth experts, as well as community leaders showcasing exciting projects from the St. Louis area.

Creative placemaking and “tactical urbanism” projects are sweeping St. Louis and the nation, helping cities and neighborhoods to make high-impact improvements to address a variety of challenges. This half-day workshop will give you the tools and ideas to spark a DIY community resurgence.

Join us to learn how community art, pop-up design, crowdfunding, youth engagement and other elements can help you quickly identify local challenges and implement innovative solutions that aren’t expensive yet can have a big impact.

For more conference details and to register: NewPartners.org

Participate in an actual POP-UP INSTALLATION!
Come out early on February 1, and join us in installing a protected bike lane pop-up on Pine Street, between 7th & 9th in downtown St. Louis. Help “pop-up” the protected bike lane, see how it works — and then come over to the Marriott for the workshop that starts at 1:00 pm.
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

“What to Do, Why Do It and How to Get It Done”

This interactive, half-day workshop will leave you with a variety of hands-on tools and techniques for community-driven improvements to streets, neighborhoods, parks and more. You’ll hear examples and best practices to spark ideas, and then workshop leaders will lead you through a variety of exercises to help you plan your own projects.

Hear directly from youth leaders from the St. Louis region who are activated and empowered to address smart-growth challenges in their communities and neighborhoods — hear how they are already making a difference and how you can tap into their energy and insights!

You’ll also get the opportunity to network with local organizers working to make St. Louis more vibrant and sustainable, as well as peers from around the country.

Workshop sessions will cover cutting-edge tools and concepts:

▲ Crowdfunding for community empowerment
▲ Pop-up events and demonstrations
▲ Activate your local youth to implement smart growth
▲ Integrating arts into neighborhood placemaking
▲ Street safety and signage

Workshop and conference participants will include local community members, as well as peers from around the country working to make their cities more vibrant and sustainable. Join us just for this workshop — or come check out more of the conference.

Conference participants: Come a day early!

For more details about the workshop and conference program: NewPartners.org