GOING LOCAL: BOLD STRATEGIES TRIED BY LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

The unmet need for affordable housing is at crisis level in virtually all major cities and towns across the United States. In response, many local municipalities are developing strategies, programs and financial incentives to maximize opportunities for the production, financing and preservation of affordable housing. Panelist from several major cities will discuss the bold and creative initiatives introduced by their local government to address this issue.

Goals of the Workshop

1. To provide the workshop attendees with creative local policy, financing, investment, regulatory and design approaches to meeting affordable housing needs in a given community. The opportunity for support at the federal level is diminishing and the solutions to address the critical housing needs are increasingly being addressed at the state, regional or local levels.
2. To provide the workshop attendees with at least one tool they can think about for use in his or her own respective community to address the affordability needs of that community

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Workshop Outline

1. **Introductions**-Moderator

2. **Local Strategies –Panelists** -each panelist will provide 10-15 minutes:
   a. a presentation/discussion of local strategies that fall into three or four approaches such as Investment, regulatory, policy or design.
   b. define or identify the strategies to be implemented in each panelist community or local jurisdiction.

3. **Questions and Answer Period**-Moderator