

Local Living Textbook

Online Resources for Community Action (ORCA)

Library Links – Compact Complete Communities

One Planet Communities: The One Planet Communities program is creating a network of earth's greenest neighborhoods, where it is easy, attractive and affordable for people to live a healthy, happy lifestyle within a fair share of our planet's resources.

<http://www.oneplanetcommunities.org/>

The Grow Community: The second endorsed One Planet Community in the USA, is now under construction on 8 acres in the urban commercial center of Bainbridge Island. The pedestrian-oriented, zero carbon, multi-generational neighborhood emphasizes housing accessibility to a variety of economic levels and embodies all of the goals of One Planet Living. The project is less than a 5-minute bike ride to the ferry to downtown Seattle.

<http://growbainbridge.com/>

The STAR Community Index: A national, consensus-based rating system for community sustainability. STAR provide communities a standardized, comprehensive set of goals, objectives and performance measures by which to improve interdependent environmental, economic, and social conditions. Much as LEED transformed the building industry, STAR will transform the way local governments set priorities and implement policies and practices to improve their sustainability performance. It will become the definitive means by which local governments measure and certify their achievements. <http://www.starcommunities.org/>

STAR Community Index – Framework: Seven goals & 46 objectives to help cities assess progress. <http://www.starcommunities.org/documents/STAR-Framework-of-GoalsObjectives.pdf>

The Central Issaquah Plan: A 30 year planning framework to guide the long-term evolution of the city's commercial core from a collection of strip malls, parking lots and office buildings into a more sustainable urban area that will meet the community's needs for environmental protection, jobs, housing and rapid transit.

<http://www.ci.issaquah.wa.us/page.asp?navid=1597>

Interbay Project: A series of planning maps from the Freehold Group.

http://www.thefreeholdgroup.com/images/IN_Durable-Flexible_10.28.09-3.pdf

Richard Conlin Blog: Seattle City Council Member, blogs on the YES! Magazine website about "When Density Meets Community." <http://www.yesmagazine.org/blogs/richard-conlin/density-and-community>

Richard Conlin Blog: Seattle City Council Member, blogs on the YES! Magazine website about "At the Crossroads of Climate and Food. What role do cities have in promoting climate-friendly food?" <http://www.yesmagazine.org/blogs/richard-conlin/the-intersection-of-food-and-climate>

EcoDistrict Framework: Portland Sustainability Institute.

http://www.pdxinstitute.org/images/posi_publications/Toolkits/ecodistricts-framework_final.pdf

Vision for Duwamish as EcoDistrict: Seattle City Council Member Richard Colin's Newsletter. <http://www.seattle.gov/council/conlin/miw.htm#4>

Sightline - Map of a Compact Community: Walkability within One Mile.

<http://www.sightline.org/research/graphics/sprawl-urbanwalk-cs06m/>

Sightline - Urban Planning and Smart Growth: Building Complete, Compact Communities.

http://www.sightline.org/research/great_places/