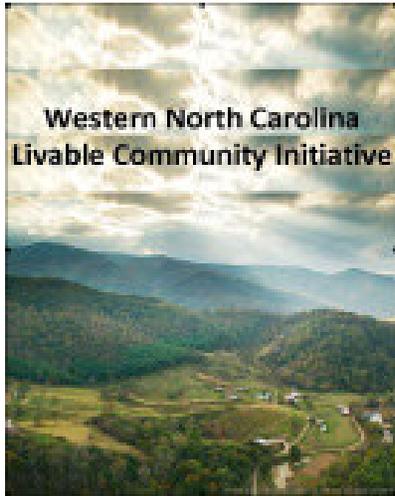


# Thinking Globally, Assessing Regionally, Acting Locally

## June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2010: Asheville, North Carolina



### Purpose

To enable innovation and collaboration across five key areas of focus (see below) in order to create livable communities across the region for generations to come

### Outcomes of Meeting

Clarity regarding the vision, opportunities, and resources needed for creating livable communities  
Insights and learning from a range of projects across the region  
Conversation designed to lead towards greater collaboration and impact of regional projects

### Areas of Focus

Jobs, Housing, Transportation, Energy, and Resources

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## Agenda

- 9:00 Opening Remarks: Purpose, Outcomes, Agenda
- 9:15 Thinking Globally, Assessing Regionally
  - The Federal SCI, A Livable Communities Vision and Why a Regional Perspective?
  - Setting the Stage: Where are We Now?
  - Understanding the Opportunities Before Us
  - A Story of Collaboration (coalition building) in Buncombe County
- 10:15 Break
- 10:30 [Dialogue Session Number I](#): A Conversation With Participants-clarity of vision/possibilities for collaboration and action (town-hall meeting format)
- 11:30 Lunch
- 1:00 Acting Locally: Sample Local Projects and Initiatives
- 2:30 Break
- 2:45 [Dialogue Session Number II](#): Building on the Insights and Themes of the Day
  - Small group sessions with guided questions
  - Reporting out to the large group
- 4:30 Closing Remarks and Project Networking
- 5:00 Depart

# Dialogue Session Questions

## Dialogue Session Number One (large group)

- (1.) How would you define success in our region (i.e. I will know we are making progress when \_\_\_\_\_ is happening or these impacts have been achieved)?
- (2.) What themes or insights have emerged from your efforts to foster collaboration and/or build coalitions in the region?

## Dialogue Session Number Two (small groups)

- (1.) Given the insights and themes that were generated so far, what opportunities are there for working together to improve our performance as a region in creating livable communities?
- (2.) What specific innovations or existing projects do we wish to work on together over the course of the next 3-5 years that will yield the greatest impact?
- (3.) What partners need to be working together and what would it take for these partners to invest time and resources into collaborating? What Return-On-Investment is necessary for these partners to be involved over a sustained period of time?