

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4

8:00 – 9:00 a.m. Registration

8:00 a.m. Exhibit Hall Opens

(remains open until 6:30 p.m.)

9:00 – 11:30 a.m. Conference Opening

Welcome and Opening Remarks

Unveiling of the 2013 March Disability Awareness Month campaign poster

Champions of Community

Celebrate the contributions of Indiana's community champions. We will recognize the 2012 Community Spirit Award Winners, including the Distinguished Leadership Award and Disability Awareness Campaign Award.

10:00 a.m. Assistive Technology Lab Opens

(remains open until 6:30 p.m.)

10:30 – 11:30 a.m. Keynote Session

Designing Healthy Communities

Our nation's built environment is having negative impacts on key public health issues. Unwalkable communities and urban sprawl fueled by car dependency are leading to increased obesity and other grave health risks. In this session, Richard Jackson, M.D., will analyze and illustrate what citizens are doing about this urgent crisis by looking for innovative solutions.

11:30 a.m. – Noon Break/Exhibit Viewing

Noon – 1:30 p.m. Lunch

1:30 – 2:45 p.m. Keynote Session

If You Build It

During this session, Antonio Riley will share information about HUD and its support for creating livable communities. He will touch on the importance of citizen participation and partnership as communities begin this life-changing conversation.

2:45 – 3:15 p.m. Break/Exhibit Viewing

3:15 – 4:30 p.m. Concurrent Workshops

Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood: Building a Home Where Everyone is Welcome

"Visitability" is the nationwide trend of designing single-family, owner-occupied housing meant to be lived in or visited by people who have trouble with stairs or who use wheelchairs/walkers. Learn the requirements needed to make a house visitable, including a zero-step entrance, doors with 32 inches of clear passage and a wheelchair-accessible main-floor bathroom.

Read On: Creating a Little Free Library

If you enjoy reading and want to share your books with neighbors, join us and learn how to create Little Free Libraries. These dollhouse-sized lending libraries are popping up on lawns in at least 24 states and eight countries.

The Intersection Where Art and Culture Meet

Learn how local arts and community development leaders can work together to create sustainable communities through creative economy development, which fosters local creative businesses; supports workers in arts industries; and enhances cultural development through preserving community traditions, language and stories.

Design for Building and Supporting Livable Communities

This workshop will explore the latest in design principles for livable communities and provide support and examples of each. Participants will look at design in the broadest sense, including landscape, housing and community spaces.

Transportation Needs: Get On Board

Hear the benefits of immediate development and ongoing support of comprehensive transit options in communities across Indiana. You'll be inspired to get connected and make a difference in your community.

4:30 – 4:45 p.m. Break/Exhibit Viewing

4:45 – 6:15 p.m. Concurrent Workshops

Emergency Preparedness: Developing a Community Plan

This workshop will provide tools to help you work with your community to develop an evacuation plan that enables people with disabilities to safely self-evacuate or be evacuated by others. You'll learn about the measures other communities are taking, such as voluntary, confidential registries of those who may need individualized evacuation assistance.

Time Banks: A New Way to Share Talents

Learn how to implement a time bank, an organized way of trading skills and having chores done without money changing hands, in your community. Time banks are like having an extended family around 24-7 to help in a pinch and allow you to share your skills and talents with your neighbors.

Complete Streets

The streets of our cities and towns should be accessible to everyone, not just cars. In communities across the country, the Complete Streets movement is growing as states, cities and towns are asking planners and engineers to build road networks that are safer, more livable, and welcoming to everyone. This workshop teaches you how to advocate for a Complete Streets policy in your neighborhood.

Design for Building and Supporting Livable Communities *(repeat from Session One)*

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Over the Back Fence: Engaging Conversation

Learn how you can engage your community, including those with disabilities, in a conversation through four organizations that make it happen every day. The concept of community liaisons that assist communities in accomplishing their goals, resources available, and models such as Indy Rezone and Indy Talks, will be discussed.

6:15 – 7:00 p.m. Break

Use this time to freshen up and relax before the reception.

7:00 – 9:15 p.m. Reception

Somewhere Over the Rainbow

Join us for an evening of fun! Come dressed as your favorite Wizard of Oz character (i.e. Lion, Tin Man, Scare Crow, Dorothy). With a click of the ruby slippers down the Yellow Brick Road, you will be treated to an evening of light refreshments, music and dance. Remember, there's "No Place Like Home."

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5

8:00 – 9:30 a.m. Registration

8:00 a.m. Exhibit Hall and Assistive Technology Lab Open

(remain open until 9:30 a.m.)

8:00 – 9:40 a.m. Sitdown Breakfast

9:40 – 11:10 a.m. Panel Discussion

Indiana's Livable Initiatives

This panel discussion will consist of mayors, city planners and members of the business and arts communities providing information on their personal experiences of community engagement while offering insights and strategies on the creation of livable and sustainable communities that welcome everyone.

11:10 a.m. – Noon Closing Keynote Session

Blueprint for Action

In this session, Fred Kent will sketch a complete vision of the transformation to a livable community, examining how citizens make a difference and contribute to a positive outcome.