



## CAPITAL REGION SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES YEAR 1 REPORT ON ACTIVITIES AND MILESTONES

### PHASE 1: LEARNING AND CAPACITY BUILDING March 2011 – August 2012

✓ = Completed

#### **Activity A: Develop a broad partnership to advance regional sustainable development.**

- ✓ **Form Steering Committee** to assist with planning Partnership meetings and activities
- ✓ **Execute Memorandum of Understanding**
- ✓ **Form work groups** to carry out CRSC activities
- ✓ **Hold first conference** with at least 50 attendees from a broad cross-section of the region, focusing on best practices and Capital region initiatives, which increase understanding of and support for sustainable community concepts and goals
- ✓ **Inventory existing initiatives and activities (in progress)** in the region to promote sustainability, regional collaboration, a regional housing strategy, inclusive public participation, greenhouse gas emission reductions, and improving air quality
- **Develop goals** for closing gaps in Regional Plan for Sustainable Development, and achieving sustainable communities throughout the region
- **Prepare outreach and education plan** including strategies, activities, responsible parties and timeline
- **Conduct public education and outreach** to increase understanding of, and support for, CRSI goals and activities

#### **Activity B: Prepare plans for enhanced transit and transit-oriented development.**

##### **Market Studies**

- ✓ Prepare scope of work
- ✓ Issue Request for Qualifications
- ✓ Issue Request for Proposals
- Contract with consultant
- Obtain preliminary market study results
- Obtain and distribute final results

##### **Transit Corridor Study**

- ✓ Prepare scope of work
- ✓ Issue Request for Proposals
- Select consultant(s)
- Contract for studies

##### **Infill/Redevelopment Assessment**

- ✓ Initiate inventory of infill and redevelopment sites



- Completion of inventory of infill/redevelopment sites along regional transit corridors
- Activity C: Prepare Future Urban Development Area (FUDA) plans for sustainable development.**

**FUDA Pilot Projects**

- ✓ Public Participation Plan
- ✓ Project staff hired and start work
- ✓ Complete Environmental Condition Reports
- ✓ Scenario options defined
- ✓ Conduct scenario planning
- FUDA Study draft

**Ecological Limits of Hydrologic Alteration (ELOHA)**

- ✓ Contract for *Ecological Limits of Hydrologic Alteration* framework (ELOHA) to estimate stream quality impacts of alternative development scenarios

**FUDA Round Two Projects**

- ✓ Conduct outreach to potential second round FUDA planning areas
- ✓ Select round 2 FUDA planning areas
- Form Local Steering Committees

**Activity D: Close gaps in local and regional plans related to equity/inclusive participation, housing and air quality.**

- ✓ Project staff hired and start work
- ✓ Form work groups
- ✓ Inventory existing initiatives and activities in the region

**Work Activity E: Demonstrate sustainable development through catalytic projects.**

- ✓ Execute Subgrantee Agreements

**Local Food Hub Processing Facility**

- ✓ Form advisory committee
- ✓ Survey area growers
- ✓ Survey area buyers
- ✓ Prepare packing house model and recommendations
- ✓ Feasibility Study

**100 Percent Stormwater Capture for High-Density TOD**

- Analysis of stormwater capture models for McGaw Park neighborhood
- Conduct half-day strategy session for McGaw Neighborhood stormwater capture methods

**Madison Sustainability Commerce Center (MSCC)**

- Prepare description of public benefits
- Business plan

**Local Fresh Food Market in Low-Income “Food Desert”**



- Form Advisory Committee

**Activity F: Establish sustainability indicators and track progress towards long-term desired outcomes.**

- ✓ Contract for Performance Indicator technical support
- ✓ Analysis of EPA Draft Sustainable Communities Performance Measures
- ✓ One-Day workshop on EPA Draft Sustainable Communities Performance Measures
- Inventory and assessment of existing local indicator efforts
- Inventory and assessment of best practices
- Inventory and assessment of available data
- Draft sustainability indicators and baseline data
- Conduct Sustainability Indicator training #1 to increase understanding of indicators as a tool to measure progress towards sustainability goals.