



SUBJECT: Smart Growth America Technical Assistance—Cool Planning Comes to East Central Florida

### **September 10, 2014, 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.: Public Workshop**

The East Central Florida officials and residents will meet with representatives from Smart Growth America at **Harry P. Leu Gardens (1920 North Forest Avenue, Orchid Room, Orlando, Florida 32803)**, as part of a grant-funded technical assistance program. The region is working to develop and implement a Regional Resiliency Initiative, and this workshop aims to provide the community with tools and techniques to achieve the Initiative's vision of resilient communities and economies. The workshop will focus on the environmental footprint of various land-use and building practices so that Brevard, Lake, Orange, Osceola, Seminole, and Volusia counties can engage in development without accelerating climate change.

The evening presentation and workshop will cover guidance for smart growth planning from the Cool Planning Handbook—A Handbook on Local Strategies to Slow Climate Change. The discussion will help us work together as a region to understand our needs, plan for, and manage growth and will provide an overview of “Cool Planning” strategies that can help the region plan for the future and enhance community livability and economic sustainability. We'll be talking about:

- Sustainable Urban/Suburban Redevelopment , Travel Habits, and Trip Generator Models
- The Importance of Trees in Developing/Redeveloping Urban and Suburban Settings
- Putting Together a Climate Action Plan for the Region

**Please click on this link to register for the evening Presentation and Workshop:**

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/CoolPlanningPublicWorkshop>

### **September 10, 2014, 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.: Professional Development Workshop**

There will also be an all-day Professional Development workshop which will be held at the **East Central Florida Regional Planning Council offices** to look at a selection of best practices from the Cool Planning Handbook and how these practices potentially can be adapted to our region. We'll be talking about:

- Recycling Land and Buildings and Building Greener Buildings (Sustainable Redevelopment and Suburban Infill/Retrofit Solutions)
- Travel Habits and Trip Generator Models
- The Importance of Trees in Developing/Redeveloping Urban and Suburban Settings
- Putting Together a Climate Action Plan for the Region

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