



SERVING LOCAL GOVERNMENTS
FOSTERING ENVIRONMENTAL INNOVATION



The National Association of Local Government Environmental Professionals (NALGEP) was founded in 1993 to represent the local government professionals who are responsible for environmental compliance and the development and implementation of local environmental policy. Today, we are over 200 members, representing communities both large and small across America.

NALGEP's mission is to provide local government environmental professionals with technical expertise, advice on environmental policy matters, and a forum in which to share best practices.

NALGEP Initiatives

NALGEP's sustainability initiatives are focused in three areas:

- ▶ **Energy & Climate Change** – As local governments prioritize the energy and climate change aspects of their environmental protection programs, NALGEP helps them learn from each other and participate in the national debate. Recently, we have been an important clearinghouse for information on new federal funding sources for energy efficiency that are available to local governments.
- ▶ **Brownfield Revitalization** – Abandoned and contaminated urban sites plague every town and county in the United States, inhibiting community livability and economic growth. Our knowledge-sharing programs educate local professionals about the numerous programs, tools and funding sources available for innovative revitalization projects.
- ▶ **Smart Growth** – Increasingly, local governments plan and promote development and conservation practices that invest in existing communities, provide transportation choices, and result in socially and economically diverse communities that are rich in green space. NALGEP partners with federal agencies, other nonprofits, and state and local governments to promote best practices in smart growth.

In addition, we provide technical expertise in the areas of LEED, Star Communities Index, the National Broadband Plan, conservation and green infrastructure.



ACCESS AND ASSISTANCE FOR LOCAL PROFESSIONALS

Local government environmental professionals are often confronted with tight budgets, complicated requirements and problems which, although they are first-time problems for a particular local entity, may have been encountered and dealt with by other localities. We provide support and assistance through:

- ▶ **Sharing** best practices between local governments
- ▶ **Educational** workshops, web casts and national summits
- ▶ Identifying sources of **funding** for environmental and energy projects
- ▶ A **voice** in federal policy-making and procedures

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BROWNFIELD COMMUNITIES NETWORK: REVITALIZATION STARTS HERE



Brownfields are abandoned or under-utilized warehouses, factories, gas stations, salvage yards, vacant lots, and contaminated properties that plague virtually every community in America. NALGEP's Brownfield Communities Network (BCN) is a national network of local communities working to harness the substantial knowledge, expertise and experience of local officials nationwide. BCN members have dozens of successful projects that demonstrate the full range of public and private tools, resources and partnerships available for brownfield revitalization.

"NALGEP allows local government environmental professionals to keep in touch and discuss complex issues and lessons learned from one another. This is particularly helpful for cities that are in the midst of redeveloping contaminated and abandoned sites."

—Dr. Vincent Nathan
City of Detroit, MI

"Chicago has been at the forefront of brownfields reuse for the past decade. We are pleased to be a founding member of the Brownfield Communities Network and look forward to sharing the lessons we have learned with other localities around the country."

—Mayor Richard M. Daley
City of Chicago

"NALGEP keeps me informed on developments in Washington, DC and I am constantly learning from the challenges and successes of other members."

—Lucy Auster
Seattle/King County, WA

HOW WE ACHIEVE OUR MISSION

- ▶ NALGEP produces six to eight well-attended **web casts** per year providing hands-on guidance and tips for successful local environmental projects;
- ▶ Every year, NALGEP sponsors at least two regional educational **workshops** around the country, supplemented by a national summit every other year;
- ▶ NALGEP has a strong track record of creating in-depth reports and **publications** that identify the barriers and opportunities available to local governmental environment professionals.
- ▶ **Newsflash**, NALGEP's monthly e-newsletter brings together noteworthy funding opportunities, conferences, legislative tracking on climate change and highlights projects completed on the federal or local level.

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Founded in 1993 by a group of local officials, NALGEP is a premier national organization representing local government professionals responsible for environmental compliance and the development and implementation of local environmental policy. NALGEP's membership includes more than 200 local government entities located throughout the United States, ranging in size from the largest cities to the smallest communities.

WHO SHOULD JOIN?

Local officials, including:

- Environmental Health & Safety Managers
- Air, Water & Solid Waste Officials
- Economic Development Professionals
- Environmental Officers & Managers
- Energy Officials
- Utility & Public Works Directors
- Urban & Regional Planners
- Elected Officials
- City Managers & Attorneys
- City Engineers

HOW TO JOIN

To find out more about joining NALGEP or to sign up to receive news and event announcements, please visit www.nalgep.org.

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