



Housing the Region's Future Workforce

Policy Challenges for Local Jurisdictions

A conference co-sponsored by the George Mason University Center for Regional Analysis and the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments

Tuesday, October 25th 8:00 am—12:00 pm
George Mason University School of Public Policy
Arlington Campus

Over the next 20 years, the Greater Washington region will add over a million net new jobs. Another 1.8 million of the region's current workers will retire and new workers will be needed to fill those jobs.

Where will the region's future workers live? What types of housing will they need? Where does that housing need to be located to prevent traffic congestion from worsening?

Having a sufficient amount of housing—in the right price and rent ranges and in the right places—is critical to the economic performance of our region. Without an adequate supply of housing, our region will face increasing traffic congestion and a slowdown in economic growth.

The purpose of the conference is to highlight housing as a constraint and opportunity for the region's economic development and to examine the impacts local housing policies have on the supply of housing in the region.

Findings from the Center's research on the future demand for housing will be presented and a roundtable of regional stakeholders will discuss various perspectives on the need for housing in the region. The conference will conclude with questions and audience discussion on the challenges and opportunities for housing in the Greater Washington area. The conference will provide a springboard for further discussion and action.

The conference is free and open to the public, local government staff and officials, non-profit organizations, business groups, and anyone interested in the future of the Washington DC region.

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Conference Agenda

- 8:00-8:45 Registration and Breakfast
- 8:45-9:00 Opening Remarks
 - David Robertson, Executive Director, Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments
- 9:00-9:15 Future Employment Trends in the Greater Washington Area
 - Stephen S. Fuller, PhD, George Mason University Center for Regional Analysis
- 9:15-9:45 Forecasts of Housing Need to Support Regional Economic Growth
 - Lisa A. Sturtevant, PhD, George Mason University Center for Regional Analysis
- 9:45-10:00 Audience Q&A
- 10:00-10:15 Break
- 10:15-11:00 Housing Policy Roundtable
 - Moderated by Conrad Egan, Past-President & CEO, National Housing Conference
 - Thomas S. Bozzuto, Chairman & CEO, The Bozzuto Group
 - Valerie Ervin, President, Montgomery County Council
 - Thomas Flynn, Director, Loudoun County Department of Economic Development
 - Douglas Koelemay, Vice President for Community Relations, SAIC
 - Jair Lynch, President & CEO, JAIR LYNCH Development Partners
- 11:00-11:45 Audience Discussion
- 11:45-12:00 Closing Remarks and Next Steps

The Housing the Region’s Future Workforce conference will be held in Founders Hall at the Arlington campus of George Mason University. Founders Hall is located three blocks from the Virginia Square Metro station on the Orange Line.

Free parking under the building is also available. The parking garage is accessible from North Kirkwood Street.

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