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CHAPTER UPDATE FROM THE APA IA PRESIDENT

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Thank you to the 150+ colleagues who attended the 2022 APA Iowa Annual Conference in Ottumwa October 12-14. The conference included incredible sessions from our peers highlighting the progressive planning work happening across the state, inspiring keynote speakers who left us encouraged to do more, and many networking opportunities to learn from each other and reconnect with fellow planners.

The conference could not have happened without the incredible work of the conference planning committee, lead by Conference Chair Alexis Fleener.

Alexis Fleener, ICF
Holly Berg, Rippling Waters Property Development
Laura Carrell, Meet Ottumwa
Bradley J. Grefe, Area 15 Regional Planning Commission
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Zach Simonson, City of Ottumwa
Madeline Sturms, City of Pleasant Hill
Chris Widmer, City of Pleasant Hill
David Wilwerding, City of Johnston
Zach Young, Des Moines Area MPO

The conference was also supported by sponsors who are recognized on the Chapter's website and throughout the pages of this newsletter. These organizations are able to move forward the initiatives of APA-Iowa Chapter throughout the conference and year.

The 2023 conference will be held October 11-13 at the Bien VenU Event Center in Cedar Falls. Looking forward to connecting again soon!



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2022 APA-IA ANNUAL CONFERENCE IN PHOTOS



Snapshots of the APA Iowa Chapter Annual Conference in Ottumwa.

2023 APA IOWA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The Cedar Falls Tourism & Visitors Bureau is looking forward to hosting the APA Iowa Chapter Annual Meeting on October 11-13, 2023. The central conference activities will be held in the Bien VenU Event Center; however, a number of events and mobile workshops are being planned throughout the city. This will be an excellent opportunity to showcase the many planning-based revitalization efforts that have spurred growth and economic vitality in the City of Cedar Falls over the last decade.



2022 STUDENT POSTER CONTEST AWARD WINNERS

The APA-Iowa again sponsored a student poster contest. The rules are the same as the National APA poster session guidelines so students could potentially submit their posters for national consideration. While there isn't any prize money attached to the national poster sessions, there is to the State contest!

The first-place winner received \$500, while the second-place winner received \$300, and the third-place winner \$200. In addition, all students who submitted posters received free registration to the 2022 conference. Thanks to the jury that spent hours reviewing posters this year!

First Place: Alyssa Schaeffer &
Olivia Galyon, Grow Black-Owned

Second Place: Emani Brinkman,
Musicality in Parks

Third Place: Nafisa Anjum, Forest
Fire Susceptibility Mapping in Los
Angeles County of CA States



RECIPIENTS OF 2022 IOWA PLANNING AWARDS

Each year, the Iowa Chapter of the American Planning Association (APA-Iowa) asks its members to nominate plans, projects, and individuals deserving recognition by the professional organization. Award nominees can be recognized in fifteen categories ranging from public outreach to distinguished leadership. Based on an independent review by a jury of professional planners from the Nebraska Chapter of the APA, ten nominees have been selected to receive APA-Iowa Awards in 2021. These awards can be found below and posted on the APA-IA Chapter website at <https://iowa.planning.org>

Best Practice Award

Awardees: City of Ottumwa, Ottumwa Legacy Foundation, RDG Planning & Design, Rippling Waters, Greater Ottumwa Partners in Progress
Plan: Mission 500



Daniel Burnham Award for a Comprehensive Plan

Awardees: City of Johnston, Hoisington Koegler Group, Inc.
Plan: Thrive 2040 Comprehensive Plan



Environmental Planning Award

Awardees: City of Cedar Rapids, Trees Forever, Speck & Associates, Confluence
Plan: ReLeaf Cedar Rapids



Transportation Planning Award

Awardees: Iowa Department of Transportation
Plan: Statewide Flood Resiliency Analysis



Urban Design Award

Awardees: City of Marion, Uptown Marion, RDG Planning & Design
Plan: Marion Uptown Master Plan



Economic Development Planning Award

Awardees: City of Orange City, ISG
Plan: Orange City Community Development Plan



Exemplary Student Project Award

Awardee: Department of Community & Regional Planning Iowa State University
Plan: Gap Analysis for Equity - Iowa City



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JOB POSTINGS

Transit Planner

Job Type: Full Time
Location: Des Moines, IA
Employer: Des Moines
Area Regional Transit
Authority

Planner

Job Type: Full Time
Location: Fort Dodge, IA
Employer: MIDAS Council
of Governments

Development Services Director

Job Type: Full Time
Location: Des Moines, IA
Employer: City of Des
Moines

We invite agencies,
firms, and non-profits to
submit job & internship
announcements online.

WEBINAR: CONNECTING THE HISTORY OF REDLINING TO CONTEXTUALIZE LOCAL HOUSING POLICY DECISIONS

The Land Use Planning Community of Practice, a working group within the National Association of Community Development Extension Professionals (NACDEP), presents a professional development webinar entitled Connecting the History of Redlining to Contextualize Local Housing Policy Decisions, Wednesday, November 30, Noon-1pm Eastern.

Dr. Craig Carpenter will review the history and legacy of redlining as an important cause of present-day housing inequities. Dr. Carpenter will highlight a new resource - The History of Redlining in Michigan website - created to engage decision-makers in this history and help visualize the lasting effects in their community, tying present-day policy choices to whether they address the lasting effects of redlining. Finally, Dr. Carpenter will describe how others can create similar websites based on their state's history of redlining. Eligible for 1.0 AICP CM or 1.0 AICP Equity credit - <https://www.planning.org/events/eventsingle/9259858/>

UPCOMING EVENTS

November 30 - Webinar: Connecting the History of Redlining to Contextualize Local Housing Policy Decisions

December 15 - Planning on Tap: Current Events in DEI

October 11-13, 2023 - APA Iowa Annual Conference in Cedar Falls

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