

Call for Proposals -- Deadline: March 30th

2018 NNECAPA Conference – Defining Resiliency for Northern New England

October 25-26, 2018, Point Lookout, Northport, Maine

For the 2018 NNECAPA Conference, we recognize that currently many planners are challenged by how to respond to these unstable and unsettling times. From the national to the state to the local levels, we have found that with the economic, political and environmental change we are experiencing, the planning approaches we used to use are in danger of being ineffective or irrelevant. The 2018 NNECAPA Conference is a chance to investigate, inspire and energize each other as we look into the future of planning:

- How can planners adapt to the rapid and / or drastic political, economic and environmental changes; how can planning help communities reinvent themselves and become more resilient during these times of transition?
- How can we elevate the conversation around planning issues and expectations? How can planners hear and engage in discussion on some of our most challenging issues today?
- How can planners become leaders and shapers in our communities' futures, whether local or state (or beyond)?

Suggested Themes:

Official tracks will be created once proposals have been submitted.

- Resilience & Weathering Change
 - E.g. Economic resilience, Social/community resilience, Political resilience, Environmental resilience, Smart Growth, Etc.
 - Urban, Rural, Regional, or Community/Neighborhood Grassroots Level
- Technology: Current Planning Tools & Planning Issues on the Horizon
 - E.g. Alternative Energy, Electric & Autonomous Cars, Social Media, Online Retail, Crowd Source Mapping, Etc.
- Facilitated Discussions: Engaging planners in peer-to-peer discussions on current challenges and the future of planning in Northern New England (not intended as a presentation/questions format)
 - E.g. State/Federal changes in policy/programs impacting planning; a planning degree in NNE? (college/university programs); aging population, retiring planners – who will be the next generation of planners?; what roles do our state organizations have in advocating for planning and the state and local level, what resources should we provide?
- Mobile: Any relevant topic or destination within a reasonable distance from Point Lookout.
- Other: have a session idea but not sure how to categorize it? Send it along and we will evaluate its place in the program.

Session Submission Form

Goals for all sessions

Preference will be given to:

- Multi-state (Northern New England) regional topics and/or panels
- Topics or formats that elevate planning discussion
- Provide content addressing both urban and rural issues (this is not required of individual sessions, but will be a goal for the overall content)

1. Session Title

2. Summary of Workshop (3 sentences)

3. Proposal Narrative (3-5 sentences)

4. Session Track (explain how session relates to which of the listed tracks)

5. Planning-Related Objectives

6. Will this session provide a multi-state perspective and if so, how?

7. Contact Information

- a. **Lead Contact:**
- b. Name:
- c. Affiliation:
- d. Work Phone:
- e. Cell:
- f. Email:
- g. **Other Speakers/Panelists:**
- h. Name & Affiliation:
- i. Name & Affiliation:
- j. Name & Affiliation:

For the following, please provide as much information as you can up front, and we will work with you on further details as we develop the conference program during the coming months.

8. Speaker Biographies (5 sentences max)

9. Format of Presentation

10. AV needs

11. Do you need a facilitator?

12. Certification Maintenance (CM) Criteria – How many credits requested

Please send your information to:
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