

Community Asset Building and Regional Equity

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Three Speakers

- Panel members will each have 15 minutes
- Hold questions until all panelists have completed their presentations
- Q and A
- I'll keep time!

Please: A Show of Hands

- Financing entities' reps?
- For profit entities?
- Program evaluators?
- Data management experts?
- Asset Development Individuals & Families?
- Neighborhood Development?
- Social justice advocates?
- Regional Equity Advocates and Practitioners?

What the panel will be telling

- What is regional equity?
- What are some examples of regional equity principles in action?

Definition

- Regional equity seeks to ensure that individuals and families in all communities can benefit from economic growth and activity throughout the metropolitan region--including access to high-performing schools, decent affordable housing located in attractive neighborhoods, living wage jobs and proximity to public transit and important amenities such as supermarkets and parks.

Definition

- Connecting People and Place
- Context for action agendas: it is a "movement"
- Arizona participants stay tuned
 - First Regional Equity conference was March 2005 in Phoenix--learning
 - Next: Spring 2008--action agenda

Karen's Pittsburgh Story

- Mid 1980's; how many remember the panache of "high tech"?
- Powers that be: "we want high tech at the airport; all the good will trickle down"
- Neighborhood people mad; what's in that for us?
- Working Group on Community Development
- Banks and Foundations Funded
- Economist from Princeton Peter Bearse
- Position Paper
- George Latimer, Mayor of St Paul
- Tax Base Growth Revenue Sharing Recommended by neighborhood groups

Dwayne Marsh

- PolicyLink
- Oakland, California, Angela Glover Blackwell, Founder
- Think Tank and Advocacy organization

Greg Stanton

- Phoenix City Councilman
- Perspectives and actions personify an advocate for regional equity; espouses regional equity principles in representing his district

Allen Carlson

- Newtown Community Development Corporation, formed by neigh groups in Tempe near ASU
- Tempe Community Land Trust
- Example of a policy and program that can be used to maintain affordable owned housing in a market with rising prices and high housing demand

Q & A

- Now show of hands again!
- How many Regional Equity Advocates and Practitioners are in the room?
- The End