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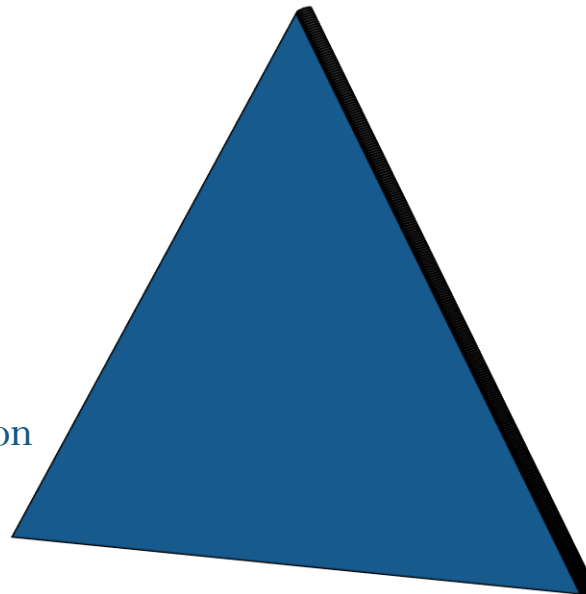
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### 2010 Annual Conference

- Conference Registration now closed. Email [info@planningpa.org](mailto:info@planningpa.org) to check availability.
- APA "Planning the Urban Forest"  
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### Funds available to support Professional Development for Planners

Planners! Are you interested in attending a conference, special training, or university course in the next year? The Irving Hand Award offers support to planners who wish to further their professional development. Applications are due September 10.

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### Alternative Energy & Regulation in PA Communities Workshop – 6 CM\*

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## **Pennsylvania Planning Association DRAFT Chapter Development Plan**



# OUR MISSION

The Pennsylvania Chapter of the American Planning Association provides leadership in the development of vital and sustainable communities by advocating excellence in community planning through education, citizen empowerment, partnership, and public policy.

# OUR VISION

- **Planning Matters**

Planning is valued as an essential function in creating sustainable and compatible land use, social, and economic change. The PA Chapter of APA with its diverse and engaged membership positively influences the provision of planning resources at all levels of government and ensures its involvement in planning practice throughout the Commonwealth of PA.

# OUR VALUES

## **The PA Chapter of APA believes:**

- Planning is a critical function of government and citizenship;
- Planning brings forth the best ideas by balancing varied interests and resources;
- Planning is objective and open-minded;
- Planning is inclusive, and empowering; and
- Planning values the diversity of Pennsylvania's communities, cultures, and places.



# ORGANIZATIONAL PRIORITIES

1. Promote a "Culture of Planning" Throughout the Commonwealth
2. Promote the need for resources for planning and plan implementation at all levels of government.
3. Enhance the Chapter's organizational and programmatic capacity.

# DRAFT CHAPTER DEVELOPMENT PLAN

- ACTION PLANS
- BENCHMARKS
- IMPLEMENTATION ROLES
- SUGGESTED BYLAW REVISIONS



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# APA INITIATIVES

- Diversity
- Young Planners Group
- Legislative - Livable Communities (HUD DOT EPA) & Transportation Reauthorization
- AICP Certificate Maintenance – Specializations for Environmental and Transportation Planning
- Leadership Development
- Communications



# OUR 2011 INITIATIVES

- New Chapter Development Plan
- Chapter Elections
- Planning Advocacy
  - Required Training
  - New MPC Initiative
  - Planners Unite restoring funding
  - State Planning Board
  - Marcellus Shale
- Conference in the City of Scranton 2011



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