Sustainable Civic and Community Engagement Conference
Presented by Center for Urban Regional Excellence
November 17, 2014
Dear SCCE Attendees:

Thank you for sharing your day with us at the Inaugural Sustainable Civic and Community Engagement Conference. As the front door to community engagement at the Indiana University Northwest campus, the Center for Urban and Regional Excellence has the unique responsibility to work with community partners to advance the quality of life in the region. In support of our mission we have organized this conference to bring academics, practitioners and community together to share experiences and to foster a dialogue on how we can best build partnerships that are sustainable over time. The challenge of sustaining civic and community engagement is not unique to our region. Hence, this conference is for all who wish to engage in knowledge sharing and value transformational change in the area of sustainable engagement. Over the course of time, with input from community stakeholders, university scholars and students a stronger connection between research and teaching in service to and in spirit with our communities will result. We are looking forward to taking this journey with you.

Our work in the Center for Urban and Regional Excellence over the past few years has worked with and supported faculty, students and the community in addressing issues such as:

- Civic Health
- Nonprofit Capacity Building and Assessment
- Public Safety through the Public Safety Data Collaborative
- County-level Fiscal Policy
- Senior Transportation
- K-12 Educational Achievement
- College and Career Readiness

We look forward to working with you our community partners, faculty colleagues, and students to advance civic and community engagement that is academically challenging and relevant. We are seeking your commitment to partner for change through collaborative, mutually beneficial relationships.

Thank you for your support for our work. Sustainable partnerships begin with you.

Ellen Szarleta, Ph.D., J.D.
Director, Center for Urban and Regional Excellence
2014 SCCE Schedule at a Glance
November 17, 2014
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8:00 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.  Registration                  Savannah Hall Lobby
8:15 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.  Special Poster Sessions       Savannah Hall Lobby

8:45 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. Concurrent Session I          Library Conference Center (LCC)

9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.  Welcome Session               Bergland Auditorium
                        Savannah Hall

9:45 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. Concurrent Session II         Library Conference Center (LCC)

11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Concurrent Session II        Library Conference Center (LCC)

12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. LUNCH

12:00 p.m. – 12:00 p.m. Keynote Speaker: Jeff Coates, National Conference on Citizenship
                        LCC 105ABC
                        “Data for Action”

1:45 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.  Concurrent Session III        Library Conference Center (LCC)

3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.  Concurrent Session IV          Library Conference Center (LCC)

4:45 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.  Closing                      Bergland Auditorium
                        Savannah Hall

POSTERS

Library Conference Center Lobby 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Library Multimedia Room 130 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Complete Schedule

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REGISTRATION
Monday, 8:00-8:45 a.m.
Location: Savannah Hall Lobby

PRE-CONFERENCE SESSION
Monday, 8:15-8:45 a.m.
Location: Savannah Hall Lobby

What would you do for free….for sustainability? – Special Session
Presenters: East Chicago Greenhouse Fellows

Contributing to the Conversation on Education – Special Session
Presenters: V517 Public Management Economics Graduate Students

WELCOME SESSION
Monday, 9:00-9:30 a.m.

Chancellor William J. Lowe

Sustaining Civic and Community Engagement: Moving Forward
Presenter: Ellen Szarleta, Director, Center for Urban and Regional Excellence
Location: Bergland Auditorium, Savannah Hall

Wirt-Emerson Visual and Performing Arts Academy Performance
CONCURRENT SESSION I  
Monday, 9:45-10:45 a.m.

Session A: Art as a Vehicle of Civic and Community Engagement  
Room: Library Conference Center 105 AB

Ways of Demolition  
Presenter: J. Tichy, School of the Art Institute of Chicago

Community Action Through Art  
Presenter: R. Berryman, Indiana University South Bend

Session B: Community Driven Engagement – Youth Voices  
Room: Library Conference Center 110

Greenhouse Fellowship: Cultivating Power within Youth of East Chicago to Act on their World  
Presenter: A. Wilson, Greenhouse

Increasing Youth Civic Participation in Regional Environmental Planning Networks  
Presenter: K. Shah, Indiana University Northwest

CONCURRENT SESSION II  
Monday, 11:00 - 12:00 p.m.

Session A: Information Systems and Data for Civic and Community Engagement  
Room: Library Conference Center 105 AB

The Role of Community Information Systems in Civic Engagement  
Presenters: D. Bodenhamer, S. Kandris Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis

Industrial Cities Initiative  
Presenter: S. Longworth, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago

Session B: Critical Questions for Higher Education: Ethics and Collaboration  
Room: Library Conference Center 110

"Urban Research Universities: Concerns for Ethical Community Engagement Inquiry”  
Presenter: K. Murtadha, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis

Creating Stronger Science and Stewardship through Community Engagement: A Tale of Two Programs  
Presenters: E. Argyilan, P. Avis, Indiana University Northwest
LUNCH
Monday, 12:00 – 1:30 p.m.
Location: Library Conference Center Room 105ABC

William J. Lowe, Chancellor
Indiana University Northwest

Remarks

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Keynote Speaker

Jeff Coates
National Conference on Citizenship
Director of Research and Evaluation

“Data for Action”
CONCURRENT SESSION III
Monday, 1:45-2:45 p.m.

Session A: Collective Impact and Collaboration through Shared Practices
Room: Library Conference Center 105 AB

Collaboration, Collective Impact and Community Change: A Neighborly Example from South Bend
Presenter: J. Pinter, Pinter and Associates, W. Mikels-Carrasco, University of Notre Dame

Canoas, Brazil: A Model for Urban Development and Civic Engagement
Presenter: R. Needleman, Indiana University Northwest

Session B: University Infrastructure for Civic and Community Engagement
Room: Library Conference Center 110

Sustainability Practices of a Metropolitan University Library
Presenter: T. Sutherland, Indiana University Northwest

Collaboration, Community Partners and Clients
Presenter: J. Sands, University of Wisconsin – Platteville

CONCURRENT SESSION IV
Monday, 3:00-4:30 p.m.

Session A: Planning for Sustainability
Room: Library Conference Center 105 AB

Toward Successful Community Meetings about Sustainability using Envision
Presenters: J. Lenti, Greeley and Hansen

How Public Engagement helped Guide the Formation of the 2040 Regional Comprehensive Plan for Northwest Indiana
Presenter: Steve Strains, Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission
Session B: Civic Engagement - Fostering Literacy and Action
Room: Library Conference Center 105 C

"Permatexual: Creating Vibrant, Self-Regenerating Communities through Permacultural Literacy and Application"
Presenter: C. Gaver, Indiana University Northwest

Collective Reflective Resistance
Presenter: S. Elliott, Northwestern University

Media Literacy as Civic Literacy: Creating Sustainable Civic and Community Engagement Through Amateur Media Production
Presenter: E. Bottando, Indiana University Northwest

Session C: University Initiatives for Business and Nonprofit Development
Room: Library Conference Center 110

How the Innovation Incubator at UM-Flint Fosters Social Entrepreneurship in a City Remaking Itself
Presenter: N. Custer, University of Michigan - Flint

Community Constraints as an Opportunity to Craft a Unique Nonprofit Program: The Experience of an Urban University in northwest Indiana
Presenters: A. Ceesay, M. Solinas-Saunders, Indiana University Northwest

Community Collaborations on Sustainable Urban Agriculture Projects: Potential for Implementation in Northern Indiana
Presenter: E. Joseph, Indiana University South Bend

CLOSING SESSION
Monday, 4:45-6:00 p.m.
Location: Bergland Auditorium Savannah Hall

David Malik, Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
Ellen Szarleta, Director, Center for Urban and Regional Excellence
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Poster Session Agenda

SESSION ONE

8:15 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.
Location: Savannah Hall Lobby

Contributing to a Conversation on Education
Presenters: Public Management Economics Graduate Students, SPEA, IU Northwest

What would you do for free....for sustainability?
Presenters: East Chicago Greenhouse Fellows

CONCURRENT SESSION TWO
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Location A: Library Conference Center Lobby

Community Engagement: It is all about Relationships!
Presenters: Jennifer Anderson, IU Northwest; Rondi Wightman, NASW, IU Northwest; Ron Donahue, Prompt Ambulance; Jeff Zielinski, Prompt Ambulance

Selfless Individuals Striving for Community Sustainability
Presenter: Diamando Proimos, IU Northwest

Getting to Impact in Communities: Focusing at the Systemic Level
Presenter: Danielle Wood, University of Notre Dame

Location B: Library Multimedia Room 130 (Interactive Clicker Session)

Creating and Disseminating Public Information through Collaboration: The Gary Homicide Map Project
Presenters: Joseph Ferrandino, Deanna Proimos, Xavier Malfitano, Joe Buchler, Ena Fazlic, Sarah Rogers, Areef Kassam, IU Northwest
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Poster Session Agenda

CONCURRENT SESSION THREE
2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Location A: Library Conference Center Lobby

EnergyPath 2014 and Northwest Indiana
Presenters: Elmer Thoreson, Kalim Shah, IU Northwest

Reducing Gardening Workload: Evaluating the Potential for Implementation Woodchip Gardening in an Urban Environment
Presenter: Bryan Good, IU South Bend

Walls of Mirrors, Windows, Beads, and Foiled Fences: Generating Natural Light for Urban Gardening
Presenters: Mara Barnhart, Alex Giorgio-Rubin, IU South Bend

Does Marching Band Impact the Quality of Life of the Participant and the Community?
Presenter: Jack Chavez, Indiana State University

Location B: Library Multimedia Room 130 (Interactive Clicker Session)

Public Design Cooperative: Valpo Tech
Presenters: Elliott Brust, Jaimee Janiga, Bryan Lee, Kaitlyn Stancy, IU Northwest

Public Design Cooperative: South Shore Dance Alliance
Presenters: Traci Bretts, Aramis Kelly, Sara Kielbasinski, Isabel Pop, IU Northwest

Public Design Cooperative: Academics Stand Against Poverty
Presenters: Petra Faught, Stephen Saricos, Jill Verkaik, IU Northwest
Jeff Coates joined NCoC in September of 2013 and serves as the Director for Research and Evaluation at NCoC. In that role, Jeff is responsible for organizational priorities that include conducting research, performing data analysis, and evaluation of programs.

He previously worked at the Knight Foundation as Strategic Initiative Associate from 2010 to 2013, where he managed grants totaling over $20 million including supporting Knight’s Soul of the Community project. Jeff performed data analysis and evaluation on grants in the National and Strategic Initiatives Department and participated in multiple panels on placemaking, community development and program evaluation. Prior joining Knight, he worked at the Greater New Orleans Disaster Recovery Partnership, where he collaborated with more than 50 nonprofits to develop strategic plans for long-term recovery. In this position, he analyzed data on households served by the Long Term Recovery Organizations and by using spatial data; he created various GIS maps of the households served. Before that, he was a supervisor with the American Red Cross’ Hurricane Recovery Program in New Orleans. He also co-founded the Recovery Action Learning Laboratory (RALLY) Foundation, a New Orleans-based nonprofit that monitored and evaluated post-disaster programs. At Rally, Jeff developed assessment tools, formulated data collection methods, and directed the collection of primary data for the assessment and evaluation of programs implemented in the Gulf region by large-scale international organizations such as Mercy Corps, World Vision, Save the Children and the Department of Justice. He has worked in disaster recovery in Sri Lanka, where he worked with the Government of Sri Lanka in assessing food distribution to internally displaced people following the 2004 Tsunami.

Jeff was also a Peace Corps volunteer stationed in Guyana. Jeff earned a Bachelor of Arts in anthropology from the University of Oklahoma and a Master of Public Health from Tulane University in New Orleans.
The Journal of Community Engagement and Higher Education
Special Edition Announcement

The Journal of Community Engagement and Higher Education is partnering with the 2014 Sustainable Civic and Community Engagement Conference for a special edition dedicated to scholarship related to the conference.

The Journal of Community Engagement and Higher Education is an on-line, refereed journal concerned with exploring community engagement and community-based learning perspective, research, and practice.

The Journal of Community Engagement and Higher Education publishes accounts of a range of research focusing on practical and theoretical insights and understanding, in higher education and across the disciplines and professions. There is a focus on case studies emphasizing community engagement and engaged learning practices, methodology, and pedagogy.

The journal aims to establish and maintain a review of the literature of research and practice. It also provides a forum for dialogue on the methodological and epistemological issues, enabling different approaches to be subjected to critical reflection and analysis.

Presenters from the 2014 Sustainable Civic and Community Engagement Conference are invited to submit manuscripts no later than January 19, 2015. Authors Guidelines are available at: http://www.indstate.edu/publicservice/jcehe/authGuide.aspx

When submitting to the journal, you will see a field called COMMENTS TO THE EDITOR. Please include the phrase "2014 Sustainable Civic and Community Engagement Conference" in your message.

If you have questions about the special edition, please contact Dr. Ellen Szarleta, Guest Editor. eszarlet@iun.edu

If you other questions about the JCEHE, please contact Dr. Catherine Stemmans Paterson, Editor, The Journal of Community Engagement and Higher Education. Cat.paterson@indstate.edu

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A Note of Gratitude

The staff of the Center for Urban and Regional Excellence is grateful to all who supported the Inaugural 2014 Sustainable Civic and Community Engagement Conference.

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