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INTERESTING REPORTS

LANCASTER COUNTY LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN UPDATE 2009-2035 – [CONNECTIONS](#), the update, was unanimously adopted by the policy-making arm of the Metropolitan Planning Organization, the Lancaster County transportation coordinating committee, thereby fulfilling federal requirements to maintain the county’s eligibility for federal transportation funds. The [Plan](#) fully supports **Balance, the growth management element of Lancaster County’s comprehensive plan** and all the functional elements of the plan that were developed in conjunction with input from thousands of residents throughout the County.

SMART TRANSPORTATION INITIATIVE – PENNSYLVANIA COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION INITIATIVE (PCTI) - This [program](#) is PennDOT's plan to implement smart transportation through a new funding stream for programs that meet the PCTI guidelines. Between now and December 15, PennDOT is accepting applications for projects that demonstrate smart transportation principles. PCTI projects should aim to achieve the following goals: **support local development projects and encourage walkable, mixed use developments; enhance and utilizing the existing transportation network infrastructure; and improve regional connectivity and support transit oriented and brownfield developments.**

IMMIGRANT INTEGRATION IN LOW-INCOME URBAN NEIGHBORHOODS: Improving Economic Prospects and strengthening Connections for Vulnerable Families – Many families in low-income urban neighborhoods face **substantial hardship, financial insecurity and serious challenges to economic advancement**. This is particularly true of low-income immigrant families, where connections to opportunities and formal services are often tenuous. This new [report](#) from the [Urban Institute](#) explores the comparative economic integration and financial well-being of immigrant groups in 10 vulnerable urban communities.

REVITALIZING OLDER CITIES AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT - Revitalizing America's older cities is a **key element of smart growth**, and adding sustainable development practices to this process ensures results that benefit the community. [The Northeast-Midwest Institute](#) features a resource category on Revitalizing Older Cities on its website that includes reports, briefings and events, a focus on energy and brownfields, and more.

New Urbanism: Comprehensive Report & Best Practices Guide - “Success in new urban development requires an understanding of many disciplines – urban design, architecture, public process, marketing, finance and development regulation among them. [The New Urbanism: Comprehensive Report & Best Practices Guide](#) is the only publication that I’ve seen that addresses all those areas. Indeed, it does so with insight and depth. It is must reading for anyone who is serious about working in any aspect of the New Urbanism.” – *Peter Katz, design and marketing consultant*

Directory of the New Urbanism 2008 - New Urban News Publications offers the [2008 Directory of the New Urbanism](#), a guide to people and products with experience in quality urbanism linked to the places they have created. The book is a unique portal into the collective wisdom of an ever-growing industry

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