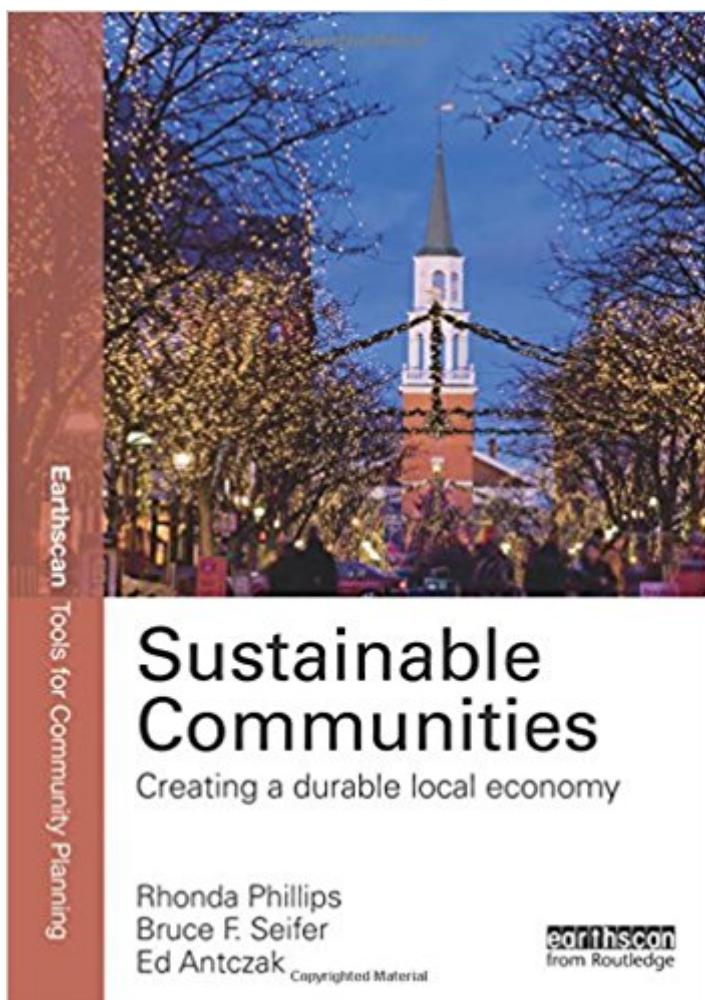


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Sustainable Communities: Creating A Durable Local Economy (Earthscan Tools For Community Planning) (Volume 2)



Synopsis

With a foreword written by Senator Bernie Sanders What is a durable economy? It is one that not only survives but thrives. How is it created, and what does it take to sustain over time? Sustainable Communities provides insight and answers to these questions. Citing Burlington, Vermont's remarkable rise to award-winning status, this book explores the balance of community planning, social enterprise development, energy and environment, food systems and cultural well-being. Aimed at policymakers, development practitioners, students, and citizens, this book describes which and how multiple influences facilitate the creation of a local, durable and truly sustainable economy. The authors hope to inspire others by sharing this story of what can be done in the name of community economic development.

Customer Reviews

Rhonda Phillips, Bruce Seifer, and Ed Antczak have written about sustainable economic and community development from a great point of view. They have actually done it. Based on their extensive experience in Burlington, Vermont, a city of 40,000 in Northwestern New England with a long history of commercial and industrial development, the three authors have put together a terrific combination of theory and practice in writing about this popular and elusive goal. This is a scholarly work and a how to manual wrapped together, and it has a happy ending. Burlington is fast becoming one of the most sustainable and livable cities on the planet. Howard Dean, former Vermont Governor 1991-2003 If you want to actually know how to build a great and vibrant community, here's the down-and-dirty details from the people who've done it. Absolutely essential! Bill McKibben, author, *Oil and Honey: the Education of an Unlikely Activist* Burlington is one of those places that offers both opportunity and inspiration to its residents and businesses. This book provides insight into how community inclusion and vision became business as usual in this small city—with remarkable results. Jerry Greenfield, Co-Founder, Ben and Jerry's Burlington is an amazing city, with innovations that make the mind race. How did they do all this? Their successes in creating one of the country's most economically viable cities isn't born of luck, nor is it the work of socialist, ice-cream eating hippies. It is the product of hard work, focus and a fierce commitment to the power of community. The authors have penned a book that should be read by everybody who is working for a new economic vision for America. College students, social entrepreneurs, nonprofit leaders, city administrators and every elected leader in America. Our economic recovery won't be achieved by big projects or multinational businesses. The future isn't in that direction. As Burlington proves, it's as easy as looking in your own backyard. Robert Egger, President LA Kitchen &

Rhonda Phillips Community well-being is the focus of Rhonda's research and outreach activities. Author/editor of fifteen books on community development and related topics, she offers both practice and academic perspectives on the ever-changing topic of community revitalization. Formerly a Senior Sustainability Scientist with the Global Institute of Sustainability and Professor in the School of Community Resources & Development at Arizona State University, Rhonda serves as Purdue University's inaugural Dean of the Honors College. Bruce Seifer is a consultant with deep experience in economic development. He led the City of Burlington Vermont's Economic Development efforts for three decades, providing technical assistance to 4,000 businesses and numerous non-profits. Bruce frequently speaks at national forums on policy and strategy, city revitalization, and program design and evaluation. Ed Antczak After 20 years in business, Ed joined CEDO's Economic Development Division in 2003 focusing on assisting businesses at all stages of growth, managing a revolving loan fund, and being a member of various development project teams. He currently serves on the steering committees of several national Sustainable Economic Development organizations.

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