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The ULI Randall Lewis Center for Sustainability in Real Estate is dedicated to creating healthy, resilient, and high-performance communities around the world.

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Upcoming ULI Events



**ULI Boston: Beyond Energy:
Advancements in Building Technology to
Achieve a Healthier and Low Carbon
Future**

November 29 | 5 pm - 7:30 pm EST

Join a panel representing large institutional owners, architecture/design, construction, and engineering as they discuss the ways that construction's carbon footprint is being reduced, from structural systems, to skin material and interior materials.

Register Now

The Materials Movement: Creating Value

with Better Building Materials

December 1 | 12 pm - 1 pm EST

Join ULI for a timely and informative webinar on the real estate industry's transition to healthy and sustainable construction materials. This webinar, based on a report published by ULI by the same title, aims to provide foundational knowledge on this issue. Attendees will walk away with a deeper understanding of the science behind material impacts on people and planet, the business case for better material choices, and strategies for reducing embodied carbon and improving material health in development.



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Water Wise Development Coalition Quarterly Meeting

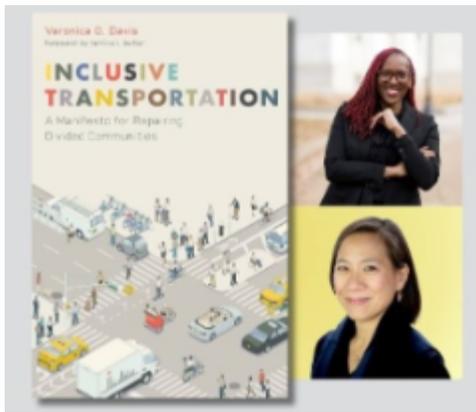
December 6 | 3 pm - 4:30 pm EST

ULI's Urban Resilience program recently launched the Water Wise Development Coalition, which convenes land use and real estate professionals with public sector decisionmakers to advance water-smart real estate development and supportive policies. This meeting will feature presentations on water-wise landscape ordinances, implementation, and design templates, followed by Q&A and group discussion. Speakers for this meeting will include:

- Paul Lander, Adjunct Professor at University of Colorado-Boulder, on his research related to water-wise landscape ordinances for the Lincoln Institute of Land Policy
- Paul Piazza, Principal Programs Specialist for Sonoma County Water Agency, on water-wise and fire-wise landscape design templates, guidance, and policies
- Cassy Aoyagi, President of FormLA Landscaping, on the implementation of water-wise landscaping and how that implementation interfaces with state and local water-wise landscaping ordinances

Those who are interested in participating can complete [this survey](#) and will be added to the list. For more information about ULI's Water Wise efforts, visit [this webpage](#).

ULI Healthy Places Book Talks: Inclusive Transportation - In Conversation with Veronica Davis and Shonda Wang



January 26 | 1 pm - 2 pm EST

Join us for the inaugural ULI Healthy Places Book Talk where we embark on the next chapter of the Building Healthy Places Book + Film Club. In this first installment, we'll dive into [Inclusive Transportation: A Manifesto for Repairing Divided Communities](#) by Veronica Davis, a groundbreaking work that tackles the inequities within our transportation systems, emphasizing the crucial role of empathy and determination in reshaping a system that has long favored automobiles and divided communities. Don't miss this powerful conversation with Veronica Davis, facilitated by Shonda Wang, as we explore the path to a more equitable and just future in transportation and development.

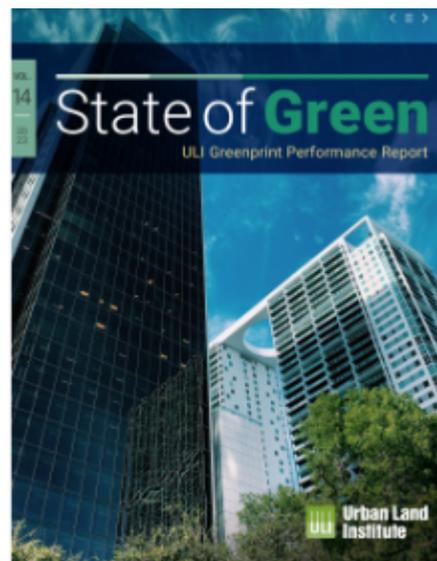
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New ULI Reports & Resources

State of Green: Greenprint Performance Report, Volume 14

The global real estate industry continues to progress toward net zero despite an uncertain economic environment. Factors including government regulations, investor and tenant demands, new sources of capital and financial incentives, and physical and transitional climate risks are strengthening the business case and building global momentum on climate action. [This report](#) presents the data and analytics behind ULI Greenprint's decarbonization progress, including for the first-time embodied carbon data.

Read the Report



Emerging Trends in Real Estate Europe 2024

Europe's real estate leaders are slowly coming to terms with a market burdened by inflationary pressures and high interest rates while addressing the ever-growing commitments around environmental, social and governance (ESG) issues. Meanwhile, central bank interest rate increases in 2022 and 2023 have left large sections of the industry forsaking dynamic strategies for a more passive monitoring of policies that affect the price of debt, valuations, construction costs and distress risk. A wedge continues to be driven between market prices and valuations. One acknowledged consequence has been record-low investment volumes. But the relative risk-adjusted return outlook in a higher-for-longer interest rate environment is also raising questions about real estate's status as a favoured asset class.

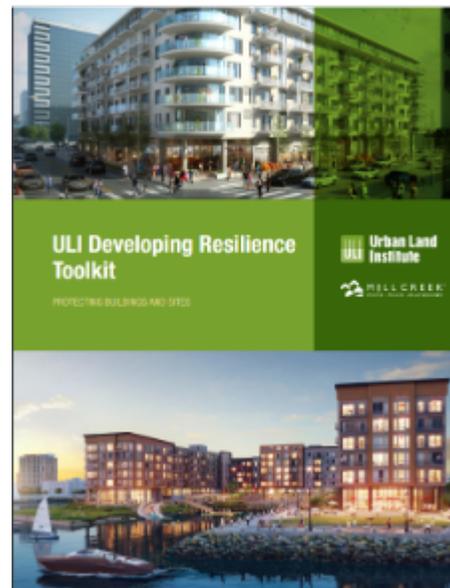
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Developing Resilience Toolkit: Protecting Buildings and Sites

As the real estate industry grapples with increasing physical climate risk, understanding risk reduction strategies and their implications for portfolio and property management is critical to protecting occupants, assets, and balance sheets. The ULI Developing Resilience Toolkit: Protecting Buildings and Sites, created by the ULI Urban Resilience program in partnership with Mill Creek Residential, aims to support real estate owners, developers, and investors with an initial, interactive search and reference tool for learning about risk reduction options, thereby enabling development, design, and sustainability teams or other stakeholders to quickly understand design and operational strategies that mitigate risks caused by natural hazards, their potential effects on costs and maintenance, and the co-benefits these strategies can bring.

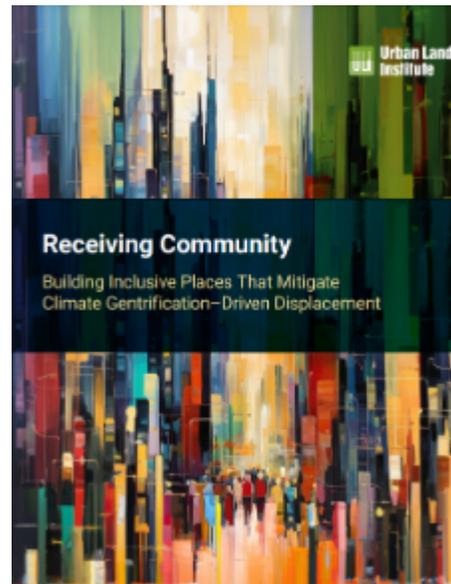
[Access the Toolkit](#)



Receiving Community: Building Inclusive Places That Mitigate Climate Gentrification-Driven Displacement

Climate change is causing people and businesses to gravitate toward areas with comparatively lower climate risk spurring local economic growth and development. In response, both private interests and local governments of these receiving communities will be challenged to ensure such growth and development is inclusive and equitable and minimizes gentrification-driven displacement. Receiving Community defines climate gentrification and describes its impacts on these communities. It addresses the value proposition of equitable, inclusive, and resilient development in these communities and outlines specific strategies to minimize climate gentrification-driven displacement.

[Read the Report](#)



Partner Events & Resources



[Ten Across Summit: THE FUTURE IS HERE](#)

December 5-7

ASU's Ten Across Los Angeles Summit: THE FUTURE IS HERE will be held from December 5th-7th. Join industry peers, researchers, and journalists to discuss pressing sustainability and resilience issues *and* solutions impacting the country today and the boundaries—either physical or regulatory—that must be overcome to make way for innovation and achievable solutions. The summit will explore topics ranging from electrification to housing attainability to climate adaptation strategies. **Use ULI discount code 100uli** to receive a \$100 registration discount for a total registration price of only \$375!



ULI Housing Opportunity Conference

Feb 20-21, 2024

The ULI Housing Opportunity Conference convenes a mix of housing industry professionals including private and nonprofit real estate developers, public officials, urban and regional planners, housing advocates, architects, investors, and lenders with one common goal – to expand housing opportunities across the country. The 2024 Conference will take place in Austin. **Registration is now open.**

Did You Miss It?

The ULI Terwilliger Center announced the 2023 winners of the annual housing awards. More information on the winners can be found [here](#). The application for the 2024 awards program will open soon. Questions? Email Terwilliger.Award@uli.org.

Opportunities to Get Involved



Could you be the next ULI Health Leader?

The ULI Health Leaders Network is thrilled to announce the opening of applications for its seventh cohort! The program offers a unique blend of in-person and virtual learning opportunities, designed to foster leadership growth and knowledge exchange, all with a dedicated focus on advancing health and social equity through the built environment. Spanning across ULI's three regions and the entire spectrum of land use professionals, the Network now has over 220 members and continues to grow.

Learn more about the program and

application process by visiting uli.org/healthleaders and [apply today](#).
Applications are due by Monday, November 20th.



Submit a Sessoin Abstract for International Mass Timber Conference

ULI is partnering with the [International Mass Timber Conference](#), the largest gathering of mass timber experts in the world, to lead a developer-focused track in 2024. The 8th annual conference will be held in-person, March 26–28, 2024 in Portland, Oregon. Abstract submissions are open now through **November 26th** and can be accessed [here](#).

In the News

- [As Climate Shocks Grow, Lawmakers Investigate Insurers Fleeing Risky Areas](#), Christopher Flavelle
- [Climate change is driving insurance rates up, forcing developers to add weather-proofing](#), Rebecca Picciotto
- [ULI 10: Geothermal Energy](#), Ron Nyren
- [Resilience Features Can Make Hurricanes, Wildfires, Other Disasters Less Scary](#), Jamie Gold

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