
March 2024 NEWSLETTER

The ULI Randall Lewis Center for Sustainability in Real Estate leads the real estate industry in creating buildings and places where people and the environment thrive.

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March Updates

Federal Funding Survey

Are you curious about federal funding – including the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) and Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) – but still have questions on how to leverage these funding opportunities in your projects? [Take our brief survey on federal funding here](#) and let us know what questions you have! Also take a look at [ULI.org/federal-funding](https://uli.org/federal-funding) for relevant information and resources.

See you at ULI Spring Meeting!

Are you attending ULI's 2024 Spring Meeting in New York? Check out the ULI Randall Lewis Center for Sustainability's ["Not So Secret Guide"](#) – your ultimate resource for all sustainability-focused events happening during the Meeting.

A few key highlights:

- [Lewis Center Sustainability Forum](#)
- [Randall Lewis Reception](#)
- [Whole-Life Carbon Tenant Fitout Roundtable](#)
- [Embodied carbon Concurrent Session](#)
- [Volunteer Service Event](#)
- [DC Sust Leaders Gathering](#)
- [Resilience Summit](#)



Introducing the ULI Health Leaders Network's seventh cohort!

The ULI Healthy Places team is thrilled to announce the 2024 participants of the ULI Health Leaders Network. Spanning 24 cities and 6 different countries, they represent a diverse array of real estate, land use, and public health professionals. Explore the profiles of the new cohort members [here](#).



Call for ULI Fall Meeting Session Ideas

The ULI Meetings team has opened a call for session proposals by March 29th. Submit your ideas for your sustainability programming here: [ULI Fall Meeting Abstracts](#)

Climate Regulations in California

A recent UrbanLand article explores the impact that California's recent landmark legislation on climate disclosure, passed in fall 2023, will have on real estate reporting on climate. [Read the Article](#)

Upcoming ULI Events

Resilience Summit

Special Spring Meeting Programming | Friday, April 12th 8am-4pm EST

The ULI Urban Resilience Program will host its 5th annual Resilience Summit at the NYU Kimmel Center in New York City on April 12, 2024. The Resilience Summit is ULI's flagship climate adaptation event, convening industry leaders in real estate and resilience from around the world to address the challenges and harness the opportunities posed by climate risks. As the world rallies to address the challenges of climate change, the Resilience Summit offers a platform for gaining valuable knowledge, creating meaningful connections, and catalyzing innovative solutions. [Click here for more information and to register!](#)

ULI's Water Wise Development Coalition Meeting

Virtual | Wednesday, March 27th 3pm-4:30pm EST

ULI's [Water Wise Development Coalition](#) convenes land use and real estate professionals with public sector decisionmakers to advance water-smart real estate development. Those who are interested in participating can complete [this survey](#) to be added to the invite list. The upcoming meeting on **March 27th from 3-4:30pm EST** will feature presentations on **water-wise policies, regulations, incentives**, followed by Q&A and group discussion. Speakers for this meeting include:

- **Andrew D. Morris**, Senior Manager of Policy and Programs for the Alliance for Water Efficiency, on state level policies and resources
- **Waverly Klaw**, Director of Growing Water Smart for the Sonoran Institute, on local policies and resources
- **Morgan Hester**, Planning Manager for the City of Colorado Springs, on how Colorado Springs updated its land use and landscape codes in alignment with its water efficiency plan goals

ULI Southeastern Coastal Development Forum

May 13-14, 2024 | Savannah, GA

Join ULI Atlanta, ULI North Florida and ULI South Carolina for the ULI Southeastern Coastal Development Forum in Savannah, GA May 13-14. Enjoy tours across downtown Savannah, a reception at the waterfront Perry Lane Hotel, and leading-edge insights from regional experts. [Register now!](#)



ULI Asia Pacific Summit

May 27-30, 2024 | Tokyo, Japan

Shape the future of the built environment at ULI Asia Pacific Summit, 27-30 May 2024, in Tokyo. [Click here for more information and register!](#)

ULI Europe Conference

June 10-13, 2024 | Milan, Italy

The ULI Europe Conference is a flagship real estate event that attracts more than 800 top professionals from across Europe and beyond. The conference gathers the whole industry, from investors, asset managers and developers to architects and public officials. Attendees have the chance to learn about the latest global real estate trends from experts, meet industry leaders, and find new business opportunities through ULI's robust virtual conference platform. [Register now!](#)

Partner Reports & Resources

Resilience Matters: Flourishing in an Era of Extremes

ULI produced two articles that are featured in Island Press Urban Resilience Project's latest, **free**, e-book compilation: [Resilience Matters: Flourishing in an Era of Extremes](#). The ULI articles include "Conserve Water, and Keep Building Water-Wise Homes" and "Developers Can Use Social Infrastructure to Build Climate Resilience." We hope you will read this amazing resource and enjoy!

Acquisitions Sustainability Toolkit

The Better Buildings Partnership (BBP) has announced the launch of its enhanced Acquisitions Sustainability Toolkit, designed to support commercial property owners in assessing the sustainability characteristics of buildings during the acquisition phase. [Access the toolkit here!](#)

The future of real estate valuations: the impact of ESG

How can we truly embed ESG requirements into real estate valuations? Written by experts from the RICS Europe Leaders' Forum, this paper and its accompanying data list examine the current legislative situation and market drivers around ESG and valuation in Europe. [Access it here!](#)

Study Confirms REIT Sustainability Outperformance

A peer-reviewed, academic study, sponsored by Nareit, provides the first meaningful analysis comparing the sustainability performance of REITs and Private Equity Real Estate (PERE) funds, as well as an analysis of the relationship between sustainability reporting and the financial performance of REITs. [Access it here!](#)

Partner Events

[Design for Freedom Summit 2024](#)

March 26, 2024 | In-Person

Since holding the first annual summit in 2021, Grace Farms has welcomed more than 800 attendees representing industry professionals and university students united in the fight against forced labor in the building materials supply chain to create true market transformation and build a more equitable future.

[International Mass Timber Conference \(IMTC\)](#)

March 26-28, 2024 | Portland, Oregon

The IMTC is proud to announce a new partnership with the Urban Land Institute, both ULI NW and ULI Randall Lewis Center for Sustainability to lead a developer-focused track at the March 26th -28th 2024 event in Portland, OR. Register as a [ULI member](#) to receive a discount on registration. ULI sessions include:

- Incentives, Policy, and Programs to Advance Mass Timber Adoption
- Funding, Financing, and Strategy: Making the Case for Mass Timber to Your Capital Partners
- Owner/Tenant Perspectives: Community and Tenant Engagement, Leasing/Subleasing, Marketing, and Tenant Improvements
- Financial Performance Case Studies Across the Spectrum: Industrial, Biotech, Housing, Vertical Additions

[Better Buildings, Better Plants Summit](#)

April 2-4, 2024 | In-Person

This annual event for Better Buildings, Better Plants partners and other key stakeholders provides the opportunity for professionals to explore emerging technologies and share innovative strategies in energy efficiency, decarbonization, water, and waste reduction. Attendees take part in interactive sessions with industry experts and market leaders as well as multiple opportunities to network with peers.

New Grant Opportunities (for ULI District & National Councils)

Net Zero Imperative Cohort Program – Technical Assistance and Implementation Grants

We are excited to announce the opening of our application cycle for the fourth cohort of the Net Zero Imperative on May 1! The Net Zero Imperative program provides grants of up to \$35k for a ULI District or National Council to host a technical assistance panel (TAP) or \$10k for an implementation activity to help building owners, cities, and other relevant constituents reduce carbon emissions associated with buildings, communities, and cities. Learn more at [ULI.org/NZI](https://uli.org/NZI) or contact NZI@ULI.org for more information!

Leveraging Federal Infrastructure Funds for Resilience and Sustainability – Event Grants

Up to \$3k is available for ULI District Councils to host an event on leveraging federal funding for sustainable development! The goal of these grants is to support local events centered on current and upcoming federal infrastructure funding opportunities—including through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law and the Inflation Reduction Act. Learn more about these federal funding opportunities at uli.org/federalfunding or contact Sustainability@ULI.org for more information.

Lewis Center Highlights & Special Announcements

Green Print New Member Welcome

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New in Urban Land Magazine

- [California's New Climate Regulations Shine Brighter Light on Real Estate's Carbon Emissions](#)
- [A Brief History of Racial Zoning and How to Reverse the Lasting Effects of Housing Discrimination](#)
- [Leveraging Federal Funding Opportunities for Sustainable Development](#)
- [Partnering for More Resilient and Equitable Communities: Lessons from the Second Resilient Land Use Cohort](#)
- [Assessing the Impact of the SEC's New Climate Disclosure Rules on the Real Estate Industry](#)

News to Share

- [California's landmark climate disclosure laws challenged by business groups](#)
- [Companies Say Push to Decarbonize Comes From Their Own Boards](#)

- [FEMA issues guidance on funding for net zero buildings](#)

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