Strong Towns presents

Curbside Chat

A discussion of new strategies for the economic realities facing America’s towns.
YOUR COMMUNITY CAN FIND THE PATH TO FINANCIAL SELF-SUFFICIENCY…

This is a pivotal time for your community. Years of unstable property values have created uncertain revenue streams. Local government aid has been cut, and more cuts are imminent. Budgets are stretched. The shifts and delayed maintenance of prior years are starting to show up on the ground.

Local leaders are looking for answers. What they are discovering is that they are largely on their own.

The standard approach emphasizes growth over resiliency. This is a key part of our problem. To truly do more with less, we need to understand how we have built ourselves into decline. How have local investments failed to generate prosperity? Why is the standard approach harming our towns and neighborhoods?

Most importantly, how do we start a real recovery?

AN INSIGHTFUL DIALOGUE…

The team at Strong Towns has prepared the Curbside Chat for local officials and key community leaders. We are traveling across Minnesota* to deliver this talk to communities. Our presentation has five parts:

1. Background on the current financial crisis.
2. The triggers forcing changes in the way we inhabit the landscape.
3. The “dead ideas” we need to overcome to renew prosperity in our towns and neighborhoods.
4. What the coming new economy is likely to look like.
5. What local leaders can do to position their communities for success in the new era.

HOST OR FIND A CHAT…

If you would like to host a Curbside Chat in your community, call or contact us at the web address below. You will need to provide a meeting space sufficient for your public officials, members of the local media, and any number of citizens or neighboring officials. Strong Towns will take care of the invitations, press releases and refreshments.

To host an event or to find a presentation near you, please fill out the form at …

ABOUT STRONG TOWNS

Strong Towns is a nonprofit organization that supports a model for growth that allows America’s towns to become financially strong and self-sufficient.

Why do we care?

Strong Towns advocates a new approach to town planning that accounts for the full cost of growth—one that is needed to make our towns strong again.

This approach ultimately requires a reorientation of emphasis and a renewed understanding of what it takes to build a town or a neighborhood.

A Strong Towns approach emphasizes obtaining a higher return on existing infrastructure investments—making better use of that which we are already committed to publicly maintain.

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*We are willing to travel outside of our target area to deliver this briefing if the host community can offset our travel expenses. Please fill out the form above and we’ll contact you to discuss further.