Building Healthy Communities

Office of University Partnerships National Conference

2010 San Antonio Texas
1. In a generation the percentage of **overweight** children has tripled.

2. Sharp increases in cases of **type 2 diabetes**.

3. In the past 15 years **asthma** rates in children have increased by 160%.

4. The leading cause of death for school-age children is **motor vehicle crashes**.

5. Among older adults **falls** are the leading cause of fatal and non-fatal injuries.
1. Design for **physical activity**
2. Plan for **traffic calming** and safer **pedestrian** and bike access
3. Conserve **resources**
4. Facilitate community **connectedness**
5. Improve indoor and outdoor **environmental quality**
1. Reduce moisture levels

2. Integrated Pest Management

3. Easy to clean no/ low Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) Materials

4. Smoke Free

5. Filtered and fresh air
1. Change all the rules
2. Change attitudes
3. Work in interdisciplinary teams
4. Plan incrementally
5. Play!
Turn-of-the-century Progressives’ (Democrats, Republicans & Third Party members) advocacy for social and political reform includes exposing the conditions in which the poor live.

The NYC Tenement Law of 1901 was the country’s first housing quality standard.

The NYC death rate dropped from 19.90 per thousand in 1901 to 13.52 per thousand in 1915.
Housing Act of 1937 to “provide decent, safe, and sanitary housing in good repair”
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GOAL #1: WELCOME CUSTOMERS

The following architectural elements along the sidewalk were identified as important in creating the pedestrian-friendly streetscapes:

- Awning
- Signboard
- Transom
- Display Window
- Bulbhead

GOAL #2: PRESERVE ARCHITECTURAL CHARACTER

- Inappropriate industrial materials should not be allowed.

GUIDELINES: what’s wrong with this picture?

SCOPE

Shingle Style

SITES

Gateway

The gateway committee identified the following key elements of style:

- Architectural
- Functional
- Historical
- Sustainable

Amid the possibilities for different environments that will not disturb the façade are:

- Traditional images
- Window boxes
- Signs

LORGAN ARCHITECTURE & PLANNING
TREES ARE AN IMPORTANT ELEMENT OF THE STREETScape. ADDITIONAL TREES ARE REQUIRED ON THE TARGET BLOCKS. PLACE TREES IN FRONT OF BLANK WALLS & BETWEEN BUILDINGS. DUE TO SPACE CONSTRAINTS USE LIMITED GROWTH.
We do not need magic to change the world, we carry all the power we need inside ourselves already; we have the power to imagine better.

J. K. Rowling
KidsWalk-to-School Materials

- Step-by-Step Guide
  - Walkable Routes to School Survey
- Brochure
- Web site
  - www.cdc.gov/nccdphp/dnpa/kidswalk

For copies:
  - www.cdc.gov/nccdphp/kidswalk
Resources

National Center for Healthy Homes
http://www.nchh.org/Home.aspx

Healthy Building Network
http://www.healthybuilding.net/

Rebuilding Together Safe at Home Initiative
http://rebuildingtogether.org/section/initiatives/safehomes
Smart Growth America
http://www.smartgrowthamerica.org/

Policy Link
http://www.policylink.org/

U.S. Green Building Council
http://www.usgbc.org/

Center for Disease Control and Prevention
http://www.cdc.gov/

Walkable Communities, Inc.
http://www.walkable.org/
Bio- Integral Resource Center
http://www.birc.org/

Design Center for CPTED
http://www.designcentreforcpted.org/

International CPTED Association
http://www.cpted.net/
Collaborative for High Performance Schools
http://www.chps.net/

Green Existing School Improvement Workbook - USGBC

National Institute of Building Sciences
National Clearinghouse for Educational Facilities
http://www.edfacilities.org/

High Performance School Design Online training
http://www.nyserda.org/hps/acknowledgements.asp

Coalition for Community Schools
http://www.communityschools.org/
Association for Community Design
http://www.communitydesign.org/

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Constructing livable communities of choice and justice.

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