



The American Planning Association Sustainable Communities Division Announces the Winners of the Eighth Annual Awards for Excellence in Sustainability

June 15, 2021 - The American Planning Association's Sustainable Communities Division (SCD) is pleased to announce the winners of the eighth annual [Awards for Excellence in Sustainability](#). The awards honor projects, plans, policies, individuals, and organizations whose work is dedicated to supporting sustainable communities.

The winners represent extraordinary achievements in eight Sustainable Planning categories. The categories and winners are:

Community Plan: *Etna EcoDistrict Plan*, evolve environment::architecture (Etna, Pennsylvania)

Municipal, State, or Regional Plan: *OurCounty: The Los Angeles Countywide Sustainability Plan*, Los Angeles County Chief Sustainability Office (Los Angeles County, California)

Policy, Law, or Tool: *Southern California Regional Climate Adaptation Framework*, Southern California Association of Governments (Southern California)

Energy Plan or Project: *Comprehensive Environmental and Climate Action Plan*, AECOM (Dallas, Texas)

Green Infrastructure Plan or Project: *Roosevelt Park Storm Water Project*, Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation (Los Angeles County, California)

Park, Recreation, or Open Space Plan or Project: *Pasadena Healthy Parks Plan*, Pasadena Parks and Recreation Department (Pasadena, Texas)

Student Project: *Grove City Sustainability Plan*, The Ohio State University City & Regional Planning Program & the City of Grove City (Grove City, Ohio)

Leadership in Sustainability (Organization or Initiative): *Kim Lundgren Associates (KLA)* (Boston, Massachusetts)

The winners will be recognized at a virtual reception on June 17 at 7:00 PM ET. All are welcome to attend! Please visit the [SCD website](#) for more information and a registration link.

About the American Planning Association (APA): APA is an independent, not-for-profit educational organization that provides leadership in the development of vital communities. APA includes a professional institute for certified planners, 47 chapters, 21 divisions, and special memberships for students. Find out more about APA at <https://www.planning.org/>.

About the APA Sustainable Communities Division: The Sustainable Communities Division provides resources, information, and best practices to support planners in creating sustainable, resilient, and equitable communities. Through its forums for dialogue, collaboration, advocacy, and professional development, the SCD engages planners in innovatively addressing the evolving ecological, social, and economic factors that shape our communities. More about the Division can be found at apascd.com and planning.org/divisions/sustainable/.