

Schedule at a Glance

8:30 – 9:00 am Registration

9:00 – 9:50 am Plenary Session #1

What to Do About This Sign? Free Speech and Signage

9:50 – 10:40 am Keynote: Revitalizing Rural Communities

John Robert Smith, Chair, Transportation for America, and Policy Advisor,
Smart Growth America

10:40 – 11:30 am Plenary Session #2

Regional Planning, Collaboration, and Cooperation in the Upper Kanawha Valley

11:30 – 11:45 am Award Presentations

- West Virginia Chapter of the American Planning Association Citizen Planner Award
- Joyce McConnell Award for Professional Contributions to Planning
- Community Achievements in Planning Award

11:45 am – 1:10 pm Lunch/Networking

1:10 – 2:10 pm Breakout Session #1

- Leveraging Tax Liens and Land Banks
- Better Public Engagement
- Zoning for Cannabis
- Hot Topics in West Virginia Housing

2:20 – 3:20 pm Breakout Session #2

- Wild and Wonderful Opportunities
- How to Avoid Getting Burned by Sunshine Laws
- Everything You Need to Know about Zoning
- Regulating Rental Properties

3:30 – 4:30 pm Breakout Session #3

- Livable, Opioid-free Communities
- How Can GIS Help Your Community?
- Local Protections of Historic Treasures

4:30 – 6:00 pm Reception