



## Sustainable Communities



LSL Planning is committed to planning sustainable communities with strong neighborhoods, vibrant businesses, safe streets, and quality public facilities. Our communities can become more sustainable by implementing smart growth practices that reinvest in built areas, create vibrant mixed-use nodes and neighborhoods, preserve natural features, provide connected open space, protect historic and cultural resources, provide safe and efficient multi-modal transportation options, reduce threats to air and water quality, and build a stronger sense of community.

## LEED Accreditation

Among the experienced staff at LSL, our team includes two LEED Accredited Professionals, (LEED AP). The United States Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design, (LEED), program certifies buildings, projects, and neighborhoods that comply with industry-accepted green building and design policies and practices. Our LEED Professionals are accredited to help developers, communities, architects, and others through the LEED certification process, and they are knowledgeable of the latest policies and practices that support sustainability. LSL Planning is one of only a small number of community planning firms to employ AICP certified professional planners who are also LEED accredited.

### Recent Sustainability Projects:

- Delhi Township, *Cost of Community Services Study*
- St. Clair County, *Infrastructure Planning Toolkit*
- James City County, Virginia, *Sustainability Audit*
- Capital Area Transit Authority, (Lansing, MI), *Michigan/Grand River Corridors Multi-Modal Transportation Study*
- Kalamazoo, Michigan, *Master Plan Based on Framework of Sustainability*



LSL Planning's latest tool, *Community Green*, is a revolutionary community analysis and decision making instrument that can be used to assess: *How Sustainable is Your Community?* It can be used to address all aspects of municipal government; evaluating your community master plan, zoning ordinance, and other policies to make sure they are compatible with the latest practices and strategies for realizing sustainability. Following a thorough review of your community, LSL will provide an overview of how well you have done and recommend changes to existing regulations and policies, while helping guide you through a process to plan for and select new and more sustainable practices.

For additional information on how LSL can help your community be more sustainable, please contact Robert Cramer, AICP, LEED AP at 248-586-0505, [cramer@lsiplanning.com](mailto:cramer@lsiplanning.com) or Eric Frederick, AICP, LEED AP at 616-336-7750, [frederick@lsiplanning.com](mailto:frederick@lsiplanning.com)

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