



## 2012 Smart Growth Awards Call for Nominations

### WHAT IS A 'SMART GROWTH' AWARD?

2012 marks the launch of Grow Smart Rhode Island's 'Smart Growth Awards' program. The program recognizes individuals and the successful application of smart growth principles in Rhode Island to restore community prosperity and quality of place. Award winners will be recognized during lunch at the 2012 Power of Place Summit.



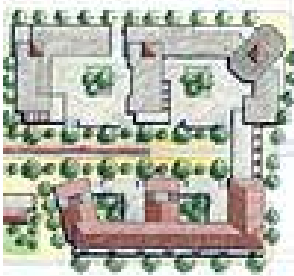
Nominations are being accepted until **COB on Monday, February 27th** in the following categories:

- ⌋ Smart Growth Leadership Award (individual or organization)
- ⌋ Outstanding Smart Growth Project – urban, suburban or rural
- ⌋ Public Policy and Planning Award

In addition to these categories, Grow Smart Rhode Island may give a 'Presidents Award' to a distinguished effort or development project.

Winners will be selected by a committee made up of Grow Smart Board and staff. Committee members will not participate in any discussions or voting related to any project in which they have a personal, professional, or financial interest.

### SMART GROWTH AWARD CRITERIA



In order to be eligible, a **smart growth project** must be completed and have received a certificate of occupancy. (In the case of a large, phased project, a nomination may be submitted for a completed phase that has received a certificate of occupancy.

In order to be eligible, a **public policy or plan** must have been adopted by the municipality and/or state.

**Nominated development projects** will be evaluated using the following Smart Growth Principles:

- ⌋ Locate development in or adjacent to established or planned centers, making full use of existing buildings and infrastructure.
- ⌋ Preserve open space and farmlands.

- ⌒ Promote compact building and neighborhood design.
- ⌒ Mix land uses.
- ⌒ Encourage a range of housing types for a range of incomes.
- ⌒ Promote walkable, pedestrian-friendly communities that utilize transportation alternatives.
- ⌒ Capitalize on existing assets to protect or create distinctive, attractive places and public amenities.
- ⌒ Follow environmentally sensitive building and site design practices.
- ⌒ Encourage citizen and stakeholder participation.
- ⌒ Foster creative public-private partnerships to finance projects and maximize resources.

**Nominations in the category of Public Policy & Planning** (e.g. comprehensive plans, downtown revitalization plans, special district plans and studies, code reform, etc.) will be evaluated according to their actual or potential advancement of the following smart growth principles.

Instructions and Nomination Form (below)



## 2012 SMART GROWTH AWARDS NOMINATION COVER SHEET

**NAME OF NOMINATED DEVELOPMENT PROJECT, PLANNING POLICY OR INDIVIDUAL/AGENCY:**

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**ADDRESS and LOCATION:**

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**WEB SITE (if any):**

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**CATEGORY (check all that you think may apply):**

- Smart Growth Leadership Award                       Public Policy and Planning Award
- Outstanding Smart Growth Project Award

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**BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT PROJECT OR PLANNING POLICY: (25-100 words; continue on other side if necessary.)**

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**PROJECT COMPLETION/APPROVAL DATE OR PLANNING POLICY ADOPTION DATE:**

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**CURRENT STATUS IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE:**

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**PROJECT OWNER/DEVELOPER OR AGENCY INFORMATION**

(Company/agency, address, telephone number, fax number, E-mail)

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**NOMINATION CONTACT PERSON(s):**

(Name, title, company, address, telephone number, fax number, E-mail)

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**AUTHORIZATION (To be signed by Project Owner, Developer or Agency Head or designee.)**

The undersigned attests that:

1. Grow Smart Rhode Island may use, reproduce, or make available for reproduction by others—for the purpose of publicizing the Awards program or the applicant project—the information on this form and any supporting materials (including images) provided.
2. There are no pending or impending concerns with this project's financial condition, debt, equity, or public agency subsidy.
3. He/she has full power and authority to provide this information and to grant these rights and permissions.

**SIGNATURE** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE** \_\_\_\_\_



## 2012 SMART GROWTH AWARDS NOMINATION INSTRUCTIONS

The nomination package should include the following:

### FOR "PROJECT" NOMINATIONS:

- Page 1 Application Cover Page, signed. (See next page.)
- Pages 2-3 Project Narrative that discusses how the project exemplifies some of all of the smart growth principles listed in the Call for Nominations. (Illustrations may be integrated into the text, but total narrative, including illustrations, cannot exceed two pages.)
- Page 4 Site plan showing the relationship of the project with its context
- Page 5 Project elevations
- Pages 6-7 Photos and/or perspective drawings, annotated, to illustrate key points
- Pages 8-10 Supporting materials (testimonials, news articles, other)

### FOR "LEADERSHIP" AND "PUBLIC POLICY AND PLANNING" NOMINATIONS

- Page 1 Application Cover Page, signed. (See next page.)
- Pages 2-3 Project Narrative that discusses how the Individual/Agency nominated for a Leadership Award or the Public Policy or Plan help to advance the smart growth principles listed in the Call for Nominations. (Illustrations may be integrated into the text, but total narrative, including illustrations, cannot exceed two pages.)
- Pages 4-6 References from at least one and as many as three knowledgeable persons. References may not come from employees of the person or agency nominated or from an employee of a planning firm or agency whose work is nominated for a public policy and planning award.
- Pages 7-10 Supporting materials (testimonials, news articles, other)

**Project nominations and Public Policy/Planning nominations submitted by an entity other than the project owner or the entity for whom the policy/plan was developed must include the signature of the owner/entity.**

**Nominations must be submitted both in hard copy and on an accompanying cd or dvd.** Nominations should be no longer than 10 pages, including any supporting documents. For particularly complex projects please contact Grow Smart about the possibility of including further supporting documents.

**Nomination deadline: Applications must be received at the Grow Smart offices no later than 4:30 pm on Monday, February 27, 2012.**

**Send or deliver completed applications to:**

Grow Smart Rhode Island  
2012 Smart Growth Awards  
235 Promenade Street, Suite 550  
Providence, RI 02908

**No fee is required to submit a nomination.** contact Grow Smart Rhode Island 401.273.5711 or [jflaherty@growsmartri.com](mailto:jflaherty@growsmartri.com). If you have any questions please