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RESOURCES

Acronyms

ACRONYM	TERM
AALF	African American Leadership Forum
AARP	American Association of Retired Persons
AASHTO	American Association of State and Highway Transportation Officials
ADA	Americans with Disabilities Act
ADU	Accessory Dwelling Unit
ARCH	A Regional Coalition for Housing
ASAP	After School Arts Program
BEDI	Brownfields Economic Development Initiative
BMP	Best Management Practice
BRT	Bus Rapid Transit
CAFE	Corporate Average Fuel Economy
CCI	Iowa Citizens for Community Improvement
CEO	Chief Executive Officer
CF	Community Foundation of Greater Des Moines
CFL	Compact Fluorescent Lamp
CIC	Connected Impervious Cover
CICIL	Central Iowa Center for Independent Living
CIRALG	Central Iowa Regional Association of Local Governments
CISS	Central Iowa Shelter & Services
CLT	Community Land Trust
CMAP	Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning
CNT	Center for Neighborhood Technology
CNU	Congress for New Urbanism
COG	Council of Governments

ACRONYM	TERM
COSC	Center on Sustainable Communities
CSA	Community Supported Agriculture
DART	Des Moines Area Regional Transit Authority
DCIA	Directly Connected Impervious Area
DMACC	Des Moines Area Community College
DMARC	Des Moines Area Religious Council
DMMC	Des Moines Music Coalition
DMSC	Des Moines Social Club
DNA	Design Node Assistance
DNR	Department of Natural Resources
DOT	Department of Transportation
DOT	Do One Thing
ECAP	Ethnically Concentrated Area of Poverty
EMS	Emergency Medical Services
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
ESG	Emergency Solutions Grant
FEMA	Federal Emergency Management Agency
FY	Fiscal Year
GDMP	Greater Des Moines Partnership
GIS	Geographic Information Systems
H + T	Housing + Transportation
HBCU	Historically Black Colleges and Universities
HH	Household
HOPE VI	Program for Revitalization of Severely Distressed Public Housing

ACRONYM	TERM
HOPWA	Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS
HSIAC	Hispanic Service Institutions Assisting Communities
HUC	Hydrologic Unit Code
HUD	Department of Housing and Urban Development
ICAAP	Iowa’s Clean Air Attainment Program
IEDA	Iowa Economic Development Authority
IFA	Iowa Finance Authority
IHN	Interfaith Hospitality Network
INHF	Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation
INS	Iowa Network Services
IPI	Integrated Planning and Implementation
IPN	Iowa Pride Network
IT	Information Technology
ITE	Institute of Transportation Engineers
JPO	Joint Powers Organization
JUMP	Johnston Youth Mentoring Program
LED	Light-Emitting Diode
LEED	Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design
LEED-ND	Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design for Neighborhood Development
LGBT	Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender
LGBTQA	Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgendered, and Allies
LOS	Level of Service
LQC	Lighter, Quicker, Cheaper
MARC	Mid-America Regional Council
MPH	Miles Per Hour

ACRONYM	TERM
MPO	Metropolitan Planning Organization
MS4	Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems
MTP	Metropolitan Transportation Plan
MWA	Metro Waste Authority
NAI	Natural Areas Inventory
NFC	Neighborhood Finance Corporation
NOFA	Notice of Funding Availability
NPDES	National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System
NRB	Neighborhood Revitalization Board
NRCS	Natural Resources Conservation Service
NRDC	Natural Resources Defense Council
NRP	Neighborhood Revitalization Program
PCHTF	Polk County Housing Trust Fund
PSS	Preferred Sustainability Status
PUD	Planned Unit Development
RCAP	Racially Concentrated Area of Poverty
REAP	Resource Enhancement and Protection
RICC	Regional Infrastructure Coordinating Committee
RPA	Regional Planning Affiliation
SAF	Shelter Assistance Fund
SAFL	Saint Anthony's Falls Laboratory
SHOP	Self-Help Homeownership Opportunity Program
SHSI	State Historical Society of Iowa
SHTF	State Housing Trust Fund
SSMID	Self-Supported Municipal Improvement District

ACRONYM	TERM
STAR Communities	Sustainability Tool for Assessing and Rating Communities
STEAM	Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics
STEM	Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics
STP	Surface Transportation Program
STT	Stormwater Treatment Train
SUDAS	Statewide Urban Design and Specifications
SWAT	Strategic Wonder and Teaching
SWOT	Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats
TAP	Transportation Alternatives Program
TDM	Transportation Demand Management
TDR	Transfer of Development Rights
TIF	Tax Increment Financing
TMA	Transportation Management Association
TPX	The Tomorrow Plan Exchange
TTC	Transportation Technical Committee
UA	Urban Ambassadors
US	United States
USDA	United States Department of Agriculture
USGBC	US Green Building Council
USGS	United States Geological Survey
VMT	Vehicle Miles Traveled
VNS	Visiting Nurse Services
VOC	Volatile Organic Compound
WMA	Watershed Management Authority

ACRONYM	TERM
WRA	Wastewater Reclamation Authority
YPAC	Young Professionals Advisory Committee
YPC	Young Professionals Connection
YWRC	Young Women's Resource Center

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Section 5 | Choose Tomorrow

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