



CNU ILLINOIS 10th ANNUAL STATE CONFERENCE

Friday, September 22, 2017

Oak Park Library | Veterans Room (2nd Floor of the Main Library)
834 Lake Street, Oak Park, IL 60301

Fee - Members (\$40), Non-Members (\$60), Students (\$25)

<https://cnuil10-mindthegap.eventbrite.com>

“Mind the (Housing) Gap: Filling the Missing Middle for Walkable and Affordable Neighborhoods”

The Missing Middle has many housing types: the two-flat, the townhome, the granny flat, the coach home. Together, they support affordable, diverse, and compact communities.

Yet, this critical link in our region’s housing supply is disappearing in some communities -- and it’s not being developed in others. According to data from the [DePaul Institute of Housing Studies](#), two-to-four flats make up 27 percent of Chicago’s housing stock. These buildings serve as the cornerstone of many Chicago blocks, but the city is losing these types at a rapid pace as they are converted to single family homes. Meanwhile, many suburban communities struggle to attract and maintain a diverse population, particularly young professionals and families. With a lack of options driving up the cost of housing, walkable communities are often out of reach.

That’s why CNU is hosting Mind the (Housing) Gap: Filling the Missing Middle for Walkable and Affordable Neighborhoods. On Friday, September 22, we are convening municipal planners, architects, engineers, developers, and advocates to explore how small-scale, locally-motivated, and incremental development can address equitable housing. The one-day event will feature the following components:

- *Education* about the basic components of the Missing Middle housing and its role in

- 15 Minutes - Programing Break

Afternoon Program:

- 1:00-1:15 **CNU Illinois Welcome - Katie Daley, CNU-IL**
- CNU-IL Announcements and introduction to afternoon panelist
 - A word from our sponsors
- 1:15-2:30 **Panel Discussion (75 minutes)**
- 60 Minutes-Moderated Debate
 - 15 Minutes-Q&A
 - Moderator: Jim Kumon, Incremental Development Alliance
 - Panel Participants:
 - Ghian Foreman, Executive Director of Greater Southwest Development Corporation; Jaime Torres Carmona, Founder & Principal of Canopy; Tammie Grossman, Development Customer Services Director with Village of Oak Park
- 2:30-2:40 **Afternoon Program Wrap Up (10 minutes)- Gary Scott, CNU-IL**
- Program Break & Coffee/Dessert bar open
 - Pecha Kucha Introduction
- 2:40-3:25 **Pecha Kucha (45 minutes)**
- 6-minute presentations (TBD)
 - 606 Ordinance - Ana Irizarry, LUCHA
 - Chicago Cottages - Eithne McMEnamin
 - Housing Plus - Marty Cerny
 - Oak Park Arts District - Chris Dillion
 - History & Context of Midwestern Middle - MGLM Architects
- 3:25-3:30 **Closing Remarks (5 minutes)- Kyle Smith, CNU-IL**
- 3:30-4:30 **Happy Hour (60 minutes)**
- Networking at an off-site location