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Achieving Quality Growth through Regional Cooperation and Local Action

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Upcoming Events

February 10 & 24
Citizen Academy for
Planning: Knox

January 12, 2018

**Citizens Academy for Planning in Knox County:
Now Taking Applications**

Saturdays, February 10th and 24th
9:00 am - 3:30 pm
City-County Building,
400 W. Main St, Knoxville

East Tennessee Quality Growth is partnering with the [League of Women Voters of Knoxville/Knox County](#) to offer our first "**Citizens Academy for Planning**." This is a TWO DAY workshop for those who want to learn more about the role of local planning and how this process can be used to effect change in our communities. No experience required!

On Day 1 you'll learn directly from MPC and other planning experts in the region who will introduce you to the tools and language needed to navigate the many planning and land use issues in Knox County.

On Day 2 local citizen organization leaders and former officials will share their experience and advice to help you become a more effective community leader. To top it off, we'll offer a taste of a planning commission meeting with a fun and informal simulation game, where expert coaches will assist us.

Light breakfast available at 8:30 and lunch provided; reception to follow on 24th. Another perk: It's a great place to meet other people interested in community leadership!

Apply soon as space is limited! Applications are available [here](#). Participation is free for Knox County residents. A \$30 fee is charged for residents outside Knox county, plus the purchase of optional reading material. Parking is free on Saturdays in nearby city lots.

Here is our [Facebook event](#) and our [flyer](#) if you would

County, City-County Building (apply [here](#))

April 3-4, 2018

Intersections: Creating Culturally Complete Streets, *Nashville* (register [here](#))

Congratulations!

Our very own Board Treasurer, **Monty Ross**, has assumed the Executive Director role with [East Tennessee Regional Leadership Association](#).


Clayton Pangle, also on ETQG's Board, stepped down from the Executive Director position to assume the role of Director of Sustainability and Alumni Affairs.

Please help us in congratulating both!

Share Your Stories!

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Now Available: Mixed-Use Presentation

The video of Jeff Randolph's "Active Knox Speaker Series" presentation is now available here:



and/or on our [Youtube channel](#).

ETQG filmed Mr. Randolph at the Knoxville Chamber when he visited Knoxville in November to talk about how we can support the creation of successful mixed-use developments at all scales and price points.

Request for Guidance: Future Event to Discuss Regional Housing Needs

Regional Cooperation and Local Action: Tennessee's Changing Housing Needs



ETQG is planning a follow-up event this Spring, and we want to continue the important dialogue. We are looking for more guidance on what you feel the region's housing needs are. If you have some suggestions or ideas that we should include in this next event, please email us! We would welcome your voice and input.

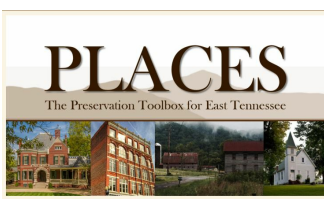
Whether or not you were able to attend the conference in November, you can find the information our speakers shared [here](#).

Stay tuned!

Help East Tennesseans Prepare for Changing Climate Patterns

Climate patterns are changing and we need to be prepared for the impacts this will have on our region.

East Tennessee Quality Growth received climate



[East Tennessee
Preservation Alliance](#)
Preservation Toolbox

To tell us your story,
click [here](#).

resilience training from the [City of Knoxville Office of Sustainability](#) and [Oak Ridge National Lab's Climate Change Science Institute](#) earlier this year. This training, access to the data compiled by ORNL, along with passionate Board members, allows ETQG a unique opportunity to present and facilitate thoughtful discussions on climate preparedness throughout our region.

If you would like to host this presentation in your community, please [contact us](#).

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