

## LIVABLE COMMUNITIES (2001, R2008)



### **Policy Statement**

The American Society of Landscape Architects believes that communities are more livable when they respect ecological and cultural systems, promote economic development, strive for social equity, and provide places for positive social interaction. As they plan for growth and change, all communities should endeavor to be more sustainable and resource-efficient and to provide more options for housing, employment, and recreation.

ASLA calls upon both individuals and community leaders to work collaboratively with the goal of improving quality of life through sound and creative planning, design, and management of the natural and built environment. Furthermore, ASLA urges the employment of a broad range of policies, practices, and development incentives that will encourage the creation of more ecologically sustainable and economically vibrant communities.