

## LIVABLE COMMUNITIES (2001, R2008, R2021)

## **Policy Statement**

The American Society of Landscape Architects believes that communities are more livable when they address, balance, and cultivate the natural, built, and cultural systems that make communities adaptable in the face of change. ASLA encourages both individuals and community leaders to work collaboratively, with the goal of improving quality of life through sound and creative planning, design, construction, and management of the natural and built environment.

ASLA supports the following principles of Livable Communities:

- Equitable and sustainable economic development
- Housing and accessibility for all
- Healthy and safe neighborhoods
- Social and environmental equity
- Sense of place and connection
- Active transportation options

ASLA encourages the use of best practices and development incentives that create ecologically, economically, and socially sustainable communities.