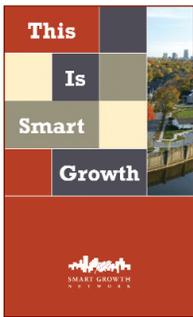




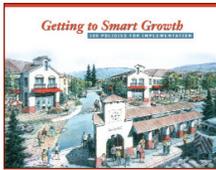
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[This Is Smart Growth](#) (Smart Growth Network and International City/County Management Association, 2006): This publication illustrates how communities can turn their values, visions, and aspirations into reality, using smart growth techniques to improve development. It features 40 places around the country, from cities to suburbs to small towns to rural areas, that have found success by implementing smart growth principles. Thirty-two national organizations that work on community design and development, environmental protection, and public health have approved this booklet.

Available at: www.epa.gov/smartgrowth/tisg.htm
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[Getting to Smart Growth](#) (Smart Growth Network and International City/County Management Association, 2002): Featuring 100 distinct and real-world-tested approaches, the report identifies ten policies for each of the ten smart growth principles and provides more than 60 "Practice Tips" to describe the experience of communities that have used these policies. The document provides a starting point for community leaders to engage citizens in improving their communities. Also available in Spanish.

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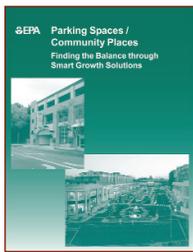
[Getting to Smart Growth II: 100 More Policies for Implementation](#) (Smart Growth Network and International City/County Management Association, 2003): This second volume of the popular *Getting to Smart Growth* describes more concrete techniques to put the ten smart growth principles into practice. Also available in Spanish.

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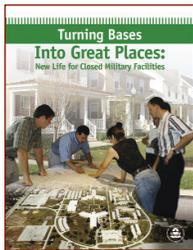
[National Awards for Smart Growth Achievement](#): Each year, EPA recognizes communities that use the principles of smart growth to create places that respect community culture and the environment, foster economic development, and enhance quality of life and public health. Booklets containing illustrated case studies of the winners from 2002 to 2007 are available.

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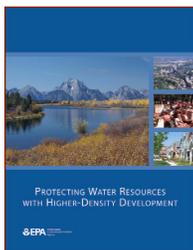
[Parking Spaces / Community Places: Finding the Balance Through Smart Growth Solutions](#) (EPA, 2006): Parking policies and requirements can have a strong influence on both the built and natural environments in a community. A better understanding of this influence is an important step toward smarter growth. The approaches described in this report can help communities explore new, flexible parking policies that can encourage growth and balance parking needs with other goals.

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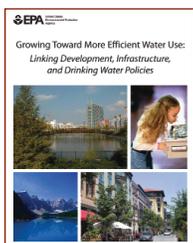
[Turning Bases Into Great Places: New Life for Closed Military Facilities](#) (EPA, 2006): The challenges of having a military base close may seem daunting, but many communities have transformed former bases into valuable assets. This guidebook discusses how to create a vision for former installations that provides housing and transportation choices, creates a mix of jobs and housing, and makes the most of natural assets.

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[Protecting Water Resources with Higher-Density Development](#) (EPA, 2006): This study helps communities better understand the impacts of higher and lower density development on water resources. The findings indicate that low-density development may not always be best for protecting water resources.

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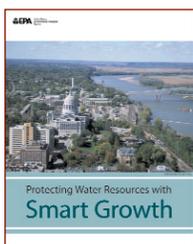
[Growing Toward More Efficient Water Use: Linking Development, Infrastructure, and Drinking Water Policies](#) (EPA, 2006): Growth affects the costs of water infrastructure, demand for water, and the efficiency of water delivery. However, water policies also influence growth decisions and outcomes. This report examines ways to accommodate growth while keeping water consumption and distribution costs down, as well as water policies that support this type of growth.

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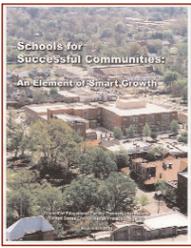
[Using Smart Growth Techniques as Stormwater Best Management Practices](#) (EPA, 2005): To comply with the Clean Water Act, more than 6,000 communities across the nation are developing municipal stormwater permitting programs. This publication reviews nine smart growth techniques and explains how they can prevent or manage stormwater runoff. This publication will help communities encourage smarter growth and meet the new regulatory requirements.

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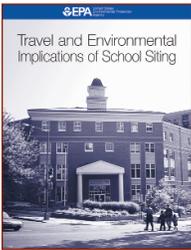
[Protecting Water Resources with Smart Growth](#) (EPA, 2004): This publication compiles 75 policies to help communities, local governments, and state and regional planners who are already familiar with smart growth and are seeking ideas on how to protect their water resources. These policies improve communities while protecting water quality.

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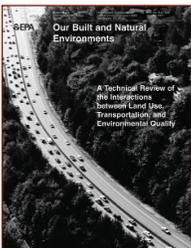
Schools for Successful Communities: An Element of Smart Growth (Council of Educational Facility Planners International and EPA, 2004): Over the next few decades, thousands of schools around the country will be built and renovated. Where and how schools are built will profoundly affect the environment and the communities they serve. This publication helps communities invest in schools that will give their children the best possible education, use taxpayer dollars wisely, and improve the quality of life for the entire community.

Available at: www.epa.gov/smartgrowth/schools.htm
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Travel and Environmental Implications of School Siting (EPA, 2003): This study provides important information about how the location of a school affects how its students get to it. It shows that school siting and design can influence traffic congestion, air pollution, school transportation budgets, and children's health. This research provides a basis for making sound school investment decisions that will lead to the high-quality schools and neighborhoods we all desire.

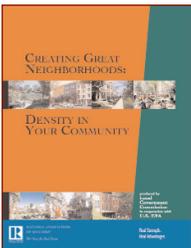
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Our Built and Natural Environments (EPA, 2001): This publication examines trends in land use and their environmental impacts, then explores how different development patterns and practices can minimize environmental damage.

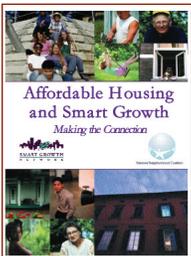
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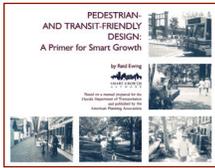
Creating Great Neighborhoods: Density in Your Community (Local Government Commission, EPA, National Association of Realtors, 2003): Building great dense places with good design is a practical approach to growth that is being used in diverse places across the country. This publication highlights successful community-led efforts to create vibrant neighborhoods through density, illustrates connections between smart growth and density, and introduces five time-tested design principles to ensure that density improves the community.

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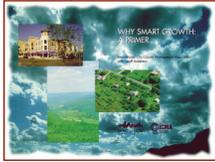
Affordable Housing and Smart Growth: Making the Connection (National Neighborhood Coalition and Smart Growth Network, 2001): This report provides case studies of towns, cities, and states that have benefited from smart growth approaches that make more affordable housing available. The approaches represent a range of options for public, private, and nonprofit sector members to consider as they use the principles of smart growth to create more affordable housing in their communities.

Available at: www.epa.gov/smartgrowth/topics/ah.htm



Pedestrian and Transit-Friendly Design: A Primer for Smart Growth (International City/County Management Association and Smart Growth Network, 1999): This primer is based on a manual prepared for the Florida Department of Transportation and the American Planning Association. It suggests design elements that make walking and transit use easier and more comfortable, offering illustrations of key features.

Available at: www.epa.gov/smartgrowth/pdf/ptfd_primer.pdf



Why Smart Growth: A Primer (International City/County Management Association and Smart Growth Network, 1999): This primer describes the environmental, economic, social, and governmental costs of poorly planned growth and explains why smart growth practices can be more efficient.

Available at: www.epa.gov/smartgrowth/pdf/WhySmartGrowth_bk.pdf



Best Development Practices: A Primer for Smart Growth (International City/County Management Association and Smart Growth Network, 1998): This primer is based on a book prepared originally for Florida's Department of Community Affairs and updated for the American Planning Association. It describes land use practices that create attractive communities, offer more transportation choices, and protect the environment. Exemplary development projects illustrate the principles described.

Available at: www.epa.gov/smartgrowth/pdf/BestDevprimer.pdf

Online Resources

Smart Growth Online: www.smartgrowth.org

Smart Growth Online is a web-based clearinghouse of smart growth news, events, information, and resources. Developed and funded with EPA assistance, this site is designed to advance public understanding of smart growth principles and how growth can make communities economically, socially, and environmentally stronger.

Smart Growth Illustrated: www.epa.gov/smartgrowth/case.htm

It is often easier to communicate ideas about density, design, walkability, and housing and transportation choice with pictures than with words alone. Smart Growth Illustrated provides visual examples of smart growth techniques as they have been used in 20 different places around the country.

Smart Growth Scorecards: www.epa.gov/smartgrowth/scorecards/index.htm

Various organizations and municipalities have developed scorecards that help communities assess their development policies and proposed projects. To share these resources with citizens, municipal officials, and communities, EPA has collected and organized this set of sample scorecards.

Model Course Prospectuses: Teaching smart growth at colleges and universities:

www.epa.gov/smartgrowth/courses/index.htm

Colleges and universities can help local governments address development challenges with technical, intellectual, and institutional resources. Faculty members in applied programs often can organize courses that give students hands-on experience helping communities meet their environmental, economic, and other goals. To facilitate such work, EPA has compiled sample university course prospectuses.



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