

# David Blum

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**EMPLOYER** / Montgomery Gulf Corporation

**PLANNING FOCUS** / Transit Oriented Development, Real Estate Development

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER** / Northgate Transit Oriented Development Project

**EDUCATION** / UW, MUP ('76); The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania, BS in Economics ('74)

**YEARS PLANNING** / 39

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION** / As a person interested in the built environment and land use, I found planning to be a good place to work in a variety of interesting settings.

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE** / Nonprofit sector in affordable housing; Native American tribe in economic development



# Shelley Bolser

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**EMPLOYER** / City of Seattle Department of Construction and Inspections (SDCI)

**PLANNING FOCUS** / Urban design and current planning

**MOST INTERESTING JOB AS A PLANNER** / Highrise apartment building in Seattle's Denny Triangle, with the ground floor designed as a 'third space' for both residents and the public; buildings in the Pike Pine corridor of Seattle's Capitol Hill that incorporated historic buildings into the new development

**EDUCATION** / UW, MUP and Urban Design Certificate ('03); UW, BA ('02)

**YEARS PLANNING** / 13

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A CAREER** / Passionate about the potential for urban design to shape how we live together in cities. We need to create different spaces and buildings that encourage community, inspire people, allow for quiet reflection, and provide ecological function.

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE** / Planner work in City of Seattle, Mercer Island, Kirkland, and some private sector consulting. Sewer and water maintenance in Kent and Kirkland



# Steve Butler, FAICP

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**EMPLOYER** / MRSC (Municipal Research & Services Center)

**PLANNING FOCUS** / Comprehensive and subarea planning, innovative implementation techniques (both regulatory and non-regulatory), urban design, and public engagement

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER** / Station area planning for two LRT stations in SeaTac; City of SeaTac/Sea-Tac Airport Interlocal Agreement; Cape Elizabeth (ME) Greenbelt Plan

**EDUCATION** / University of Wisconsin (Madison), MS in Urban & Regional Planning; St. Lawrence University (Canton, NY), BA in Sociology

**YEARS PLANNING** / 30+

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION** / Combines a lot of my interests – improving the built environment, urban design, and public engagement; Had a great undergraduate professor who got me interested in the field.

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE** / City of Milwaukie, OR; City of Mill Creek; City of SeaTac; plus public and private sector planning with in Maine and Wisconsin



# Andrea Clinkscates

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**EMPLOYER** / Cascade Bicycle Club

**PLANNING FOCUS** / Active Transportation

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER** /  
WSDOT Statewide Bicycle and Pedestrian Count

**EDUCATION** / UW, MUP; UW, Certificate in Urban Design

**YEARS PLANNING** / 10+

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION** /  
Address societal issues from a policy level.

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE** / Social worker for six years  
specializing in homeless, immigrant, and at-risk youth populations;  
Nelson/Nygaard 2008-2009; Sound Transit 2009- 2012; Residential  
Home Developer 2012-2014; Cascade Bicycle Club 2014-present



# Cory Crocker

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**EMPLOYER** / U District Advocates

**PLANNING FOCUS** / Placemaking & Public Open Space

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER** /  
Coordinating the U District community behind placemaking,  
multi-modal mobility, and activism

**EDUCATION** / MArch, University of Washington BA,  
DePauw University

**YEARS PLANNING** / 6

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION** /  
Advocate with education and experience in architecture

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE** / Environmental Works,  
Paladino & Company, US Peace Corps



# Marty Curry, AICP

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**EMPLOYER** / UW, Urban Design & Planning Affiliate Faculty; Curry Consulting

**PLANNING FOCUS** / Community planning, civic engagement, infrastructure planning, sustainability

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER** / Community visioning projects (e.g. Lake City); achieving community-city (and often student) partnerships

**EDUCATION** / UW, MUP; Indiana University, BA in Spanish and Political Science

**YEARS PLANNING** / 30+

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION** / I strongly believe that planning, politics, and people are integral to creating a more balanced, sustainable community (The 3 P's of planning).

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE** / City of Seattle, Planning Commission Director; consulting with non-profits, foundations and local government; and of course teaching



# Jonathan Dong, AICP

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**EMPLOYER** / Seattle Department of Transportation

**PLANNING FOCUS** / Transit Service and Facilities

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER** /  
Restoration of Historic Bus Shelters

**EDUCATION** / University of Minnesota, MA in Public Affairs and  
Planning; University of Puget Sound, BA in Economics

**YEARS PLANNING** / 15+

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION** /  
I wanted to work with disadvantaged communities and help improve their  
economic status.

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE** / Local government land use and  
transportation planner; transportation consultant; program manager



# Nancy Eklund, AICP

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**EMPLOYER /** The Boeing Company (Land Use Planner for central Puget Sound)

**PLANNING FOCUS /** Liaison between Boeing and local governments' projects and planning documents, and real estate items (easements, use agreements, etc.); (past) Comprehensive planning, health and the built environment.

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER /** Too many to say – the ones that are the most fun are the thorny ones that generate strong opinions

**EDUCATION /** UW Masters Program (near-MUP), Macalester College, St. Paul, MN, BA in Geography

**YEARS PLANNING /** 25+

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION /** I was a geography major and always loved knowing why people live where they do – what was special about those places. I wanted to be part of shaping those decisions.

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE /** The City of Puyallup; private consulting; Washington and Montana local government



# Nicole Faghin, MCP, JD, LEED AP

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**EMPLOYER** / Washington Sea Grant

**PLANNING FOCUS** / Shoreline and Coastal Management

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER** /  
Currently developing LEED style program for Shoreline Certification

**EDUCATION** / MIT, MCP ('86); Northeastern School of Law – JD ('87); UW, BA in Political Science ('81)

**YEARS PLANNING** / 25+

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION** /  
I was interested in human interface with the environment and over the years that became human/built interface with the marine/shoreline environment.

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE** / Reid Middleton (18 years); AECOM (1.5 years); 3 years in law (way back at the beginning...)



# Sandy Fischer, ASLA

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**EMPLOYER** / Owner, Fischer Bouma Partnership; LLC Advisor, Land Morphology

**PLANNING FOCUS** / Intersection of design and planning

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER** /  
Economic Development & Neighborhood Plans

**EDUCATION** / BLA, Landscape Architecture; MA, Graphic Design;  
MBA, Coursework BGI in Sustainable Business

**YEARS PLANNING** / 37

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION** /  
Interested in spatial planning, the environment, and architecture.

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE** / Principal, led planning and design studio of EDAW; Director, City of Bainbridge Island Downtown Plan; Owner, Fischer & Assoc. Landscape Architecture and Planning; Associate, Linsimier & JJR



# Robert Foxworthy, AICP

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**EMPLOYER** / King County Dept. of Natural Resources and Parks

**PLANNING FOCUS** / Regional Trails System planning and development, active transportation planning

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER** /

Lots to choose from! Current regional trails vision connecting regional centers, transit, etc., RTS strategic plan, (oh! Computer modeling traffic in Orange County, CA – fun!)

**EDUCATION** / SDSU, BS ('78); UCSD ('83); UT Austin, MA ('88);  
(there's more)

**YEARS PLANNING** / 30

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION** /

Interested in city planning since childhood and love to be involved in community, but also studied art and filmmaking. Planning career won out (and paid better!)

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE** / A&E Consulting Firms; King County DOT; King County FMD; UT Austin



# Ted Gage, AICP

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**EMPLOYER** / Eldred & Associates

**PLANNING FOCUS** / Land use planning, site location services, permitting, interagency coordination

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER** / Trained elected and appointed officials statewide during the years in which I managed the state's Short Course on Local Planning for DOC.

**EDUCATION** / UW, PhD ('83); UW, MUP ('81); Middlebury College, BA ('69)

**YEARS PLANNING** / 30+

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION** / Always interested in community development.

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE** / Washington State DOC; Clallam County EDC; Samish Indian Nation; Shoalwater Bay Indian Tribe.



# Amy Gore

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**EMPLOYER /** Seattle City Council

**PLANNING FOCUS /** Public policy, land use, economic development

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER /**

Establishing Seattle's Mandatory Housing Affordability program – the most complex and interesting project of my career.

**EDUCATION /** Georgia Tech, MUP ('03); Emory University, BA in Business Administration

**YEARS PLANNING /** 14

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION /**

I grew up in the suburbs and always loved the excitement and diversity that cities offer and enjoy the wide range of critical issues that Planning grapples with, including sustainability, equity and affordability.

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE /** Futurewise; Bleakly Advisory Group



# Ben Han

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**EMPLOYER** / King County Metro

**PLANNING FOCUS** / Urban Design, Transportation Planning, Community Development

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER** / Community Liaison Program

**EDUCATION** / Masters City Planning, UC Berkeley '13. BA Community Environment and Planning UW '09

**YEARS PLANNING** / 4

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION** / The mutual impact people and place have on each other

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE** / City of Seattle, King County Metro, Pierce Transit



# Sandy Howard, AICP, LEED AP

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**EMPLOYER** / City of Seattle, Department of Planning and Development

**PLANNING FOCUS** / Development review, land use, green building and sustainable communities, emergency preparedness, New Urbanism (CNU Cascadia)

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER** / Old Poway Specific Plan

**EDUCATION** / Masters in City Planning

**YEARS PLANNING** / 20+

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION** / After living 3 years in Germany, wanted to learn how cities work successfully and apply that knowledge to US urban centers.

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE** / Sustainable Strategist; Land Use Manager; Land Use Planner; Historic Preservation Planning; Biomedical Research



# Paul Inghram

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**EMPLOYER** / City of Bellevue, Comprehensive Planning Manager

**PLANNING FOCUS** / Community planning

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER** /

BelRed TOD subarea plan; Skykomish restoration plan

**EDUCATION** / UW, BA in Design and Planning ('93); Seattle U, MBA ('04); UVA ('12)

**YEARS PLANNING** / 20+

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION** /

Initially, loved the design problem, then was turned on community engagement.

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE** / Bellevue since 2006; previously consultant to various Puget Sound communities; some private development



# Arun Jain

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**EMPLOYER /** Consultant

**PLANNING FOCUS /** Decision support tools, methods and means to cope with complexity, uncertainty and urgency.

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER /**

**EDUCATION /** Urban Design Joint Degree Program 1985 (MCP, MArch) University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA, Architecture 1981 (BArch) School of Planning and Architecture, New Delhi, India

**YEARS PLANNING /** 32

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION /**

To improve the quality of urban life for all, find beauty in chaos, and understand complexity in the natural and man-made environment from the lens of cognition and behavior.

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE /** International consultant, advisor, city executive, professor, researcher and mentor



# Aditi Kambuj

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**EMPLOYER /** Seattle Department of Transportation

**PLANNING FOCUS /** Urban Design, Tactical Urbanism, Complete Streets, Development Standards, Age-Friendly, Race and Social Justice

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER /**  
Pedestrian Wayfinding

**EDUCATION /** Masters in Urban Planning, University of Illinois;  
Masters in Architecture, University College London

**YEARS PLANNING /**12

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION /**  
Interested in helping develop equitable and healthy urban communities through the design of public realm and transportation systems

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE /** Seattle Department of Transportation, Seattle Office of Planning and Community Development

# Michael Kattermann

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**EMPLOYER** / City of Bellevue

**PLANNING FOCUS** / Long range planning and implementation, growth management, regional policy

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER** /  
Creating neighborhood enhancement program; light rail best practices

**EDUCATION** / MS Community & Regional Planning, University of Texas at Austin; BS Urban Planning, Michigan State University

**YEARS PLANNING** / 30

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION** /  
Interest in cities as organic systems and how to influence that to improve peoples' lives; variety of issues and challenges

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE** / Public and private sector, mostly municipal and long range, entry-level to dept director; MI, TX, AZ, WA



# Lyn Keenan

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**EMPLOYER** / Semi-retired (formerly GeoEngineers)

**PLANNING FOCUS** / Infrastructure, climate change, energy, Environmental (SEPA/NEPA) Review

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER** /  
Changes every few years

**EDUCATION** / UW, BA in Urban Planning ('70)

**YEARS PLANNING** / My entire career – always something new to learn!

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION** /  
Enjoy multi-disciplinary decision making.

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE** / Local government; consulting



# Rick Krochalis

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**EMPLOYER** / Seattle Design Commission

**PLANNING FOCUS** / Environmental planning; transit systems development; capital project management; planning agency leadership

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER** / Navy Base Master Plans; implementation of GMA; Columbia River Crossing

**EDUCATION** / Cornell University, BS in Environmental System Engineering; Harvard University, Masters, City & Regional Planning

**YEARS PLANNING** / Too many to count; three career changes

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION** / Collaborating with people to have a direct influence on tangible urban design outcomes for many communities—one program and project at a time.

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE** / Regional Administrator (FTA); US DOT; City of Seattle, Director of Design, Construction, and Land Use (DCLU); Navy Civil Engineer Corps Officer



# Al Levine

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**EMPLOYER /** Affiliate Faculty, Department of Urban Design and Planning, UW; Formerly – Deputy Executive Director, Seattle Housing Authority (1998-2013)

**PLANNING FOCUS /** Affordable housing, mixed income communities, transit oriented development

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER /** Yesler Terrace  
Redevelopment Project – Planning and Entitlements Process

**EDUCATION /** Hunter College; City University of NY, BA; UW, MUP

**YEARS PLANNING /** 40+

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION /**  
Wanted to be the one who decided where things went.

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE /** My career has included opportunities in both the public and private sectors.



# Patrick Lynch, AICP

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**EMPLOYER** / Transpo Group

**PLANNING FOCUS** / Multimodal and non-motorized transportation, connectivity

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER** /  
Statewide Human Services Transportation Plan; Pedestrian Connectivity Analyses for Small Communities

**EDUCATION** / Western Washington University, BS in Environmental Policy and Assessment

**YEARS PLANNING** / 17

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION** /  
Combining my passions for non-motorized transportation, public policy, and GIS in a way that positively impacts the local community.

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE** / Transportation Planner, City of Woodinville



# Ikuno Masterson

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**EMPLOYER** / UW Green Futures Lab Regional Open Space Strategy

**PLANNING FOCUS** / Environmental, land use, sustainability planning and policy

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER** /  
Tri-County Model Salmon Conservation Plan

**EDUCATION** / MLA; BLA; BAUP

**YEARS PLANNING** / 30+

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION** /  
A hike up to Emmons Glacier, Mt. Rainier, my sophomore year of high school inspired by focus on sustainable human/environment interaction.

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE** / Environmental Science Associates;  
King County Executive Office; DDES; CH2M Hill; Seattle OLP/DCLU



# Melanie Mayock

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**EMPLOYER /** BERK Consulting

**PLANNING FOCUS /** Comprehensive plans, community engagement, public policy

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER /**  
Seattle Restricted Parking Zone policy review

**EDUCATION /** UW, MUP ('14); UW, Sustainable Transportation Certificate ('10); Western Washington University, BA in Political Science ('98)

**YEARS PLANNING /** 7

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION /**  
I love cities and I love bringing people together to solve community problems.

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE /** UW Transportation Services, Zipcar, Sierra Club, Duwamish Transportation Management Association



# Cynthia McCoy, GISP

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**EMPLOYER /** Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) – Hazard Mitigation and Risk Analysis

**PLANNING FOCUS /** Urban design, GIS, hazard mapping and impact assessment, community engagement.

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER /** Establishing a community center for a marginalized Roma Community in Karlovo, Bulgaria

**EDUCATION /** Master of City and Regional Planning – University of Pennsylvania; Bachelor of Urban Planning – University of Cincinnati, OH

**YEARS PLANNING /** 15

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION /** To be an instrumental leader in developing healthy, resilient and equitable communities.

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE /** Wharton Real Estate Department – University of Pennsylvania, City of Covington KY – Community and Economic Development Dept., US Peace Corps Bulgaria (07-10), Bialosky + Partners Architects (Cleveland, OH), Walt Disney Imagineering



# Rachel Miller

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**EMPLOYER** / Senior Associate - Planner/Urban Designer, MAKERS Architecture and Urban Design

**PLANNING FOCUS** / Urban design

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER** / Benson Hill Community Plan in Renton

**EDUCATION** / UW, MUP/MLA; Ohio State University, BS in Architecture

**YEARS PLANNING** / 8

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION** / To improve spaces between buildings and empower communities to effect desired change.

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE** / Peace Corps – Mali Volunteer; Downtown Association of Fairbanks and City of North Pole, AK Urban Design Coordinator; City of Columbus, OH Planning Intern



# Ellen R. Miller-Wolfe

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**EMPLOYER** / City of Kirkland

**PLANNING FOCUS** / Economic development, tourism, cultural affairs

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER** /  
Riverfront Recapture, Inc., Hartford, CT (Directed the redevelopment of 7- miles reach of Connecticut Riverfront through four cities)

**EDUCATION** / Skidmore College, BA; Cornell University, MRP

**YEARS PLANNING** / 28

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION** /  
I was drawn to adaptive reuse and revitalization projects that engage community and incorporate community history and assets into efforts to address current issues.

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE** / Public and private planning work; staff Seattle Landmarks Board, National Register of Historic Places; Riverfront Recapture, Inc., Economic Development staff; cities of Bellevue and Kirkland



# Michelle Morlan

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**EMPLOYER** / Principal/Founder Lotus Development Partners LLC

**PLANNING FOCUS** / Community and economic development, affordable housing

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER** /  
Renovation of a commercial fishing dock on the Makah Reservation in Neah Bay, WA.

**EDUCATION** / University of Michigan, Masters Urban Planning/Masters Social Work

**YEARS PLANNING** / 25

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION** /  
Planning is a wide-ranging field that touches on all aspects of creating a livable environment and healthy community.

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE** / Development of affordable housing and community facilities for nonprofit organizations; current planning for City and County governments in Washington



# Ike Nwankwo

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**EMPLOYER** / WA State Department of Commerce

**PLANNING FOCUS** / Growth Management Planning

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER** /  
Development of the Housing Guidebook

**EDUCATION** / M.U.P Kansas, Ph.D. Candidate Univ. of Penn

**YEARS PLANNING** / 28

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION** / I have a Bachelor's in Architecture and thought planning would be a good complement

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE** / Worked for the Delaware River Port Authority, NJ



# John Owen

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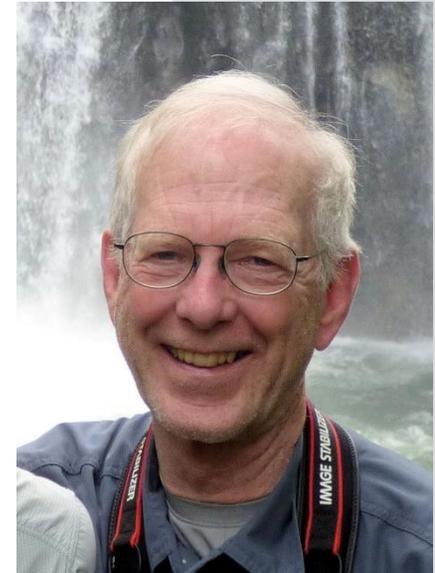
**EMPLOYER** / MAKERS Architecture and Urban Design

**PLANNING FOCUS** / Urban design, community and regional planning, shoreline management

**EDUCATION** / UW, MUP ('75)

**YEARS PLANNING** / Too many

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE** / Logging road surveyor, soils engineer, construction worker



# Stephen Padua, AICP

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**EMPLOYER** / City of Kirkland

**PLANNING FOCUS** / Sustainable transportation planning, public policy, equity and urban design.

**EDUCATION** / UW, BA in Geography ('08); UW, MUP ('13)

**YEARS PLANNING** / 8

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION** /

Planning allows me to engage diverse communities and guide sustainable transport options in order to preserve our natural environment.

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE** / City of Redmond Public Works;  
Seattle Department of Transportation; Kitsap County Public Works



# Jack Peters

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**EMPLOYER** / Director/Community Planning & Development, HUD – WA Office

**PLANNING FOCUS** / Community Development, Housing and Environmental Planning

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER** / International District Village Square 1 and 2, Seattle, WA

**EDUCATION** / UW, MUP ('69)

**YEARS PLANNING** / 46

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION** / To revitalize communities and neighborhoods through encouraging comprehensive planning and by providing federal assistance.

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE** / City of Seattle Planning Department, City of Chicago, Ill Planning Department, City of Rockford Ill Planning Department, Bi-State Metropolitan Planning Commission Rock Island Ill.



# Mandi Roberts, AICP, RLA

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**EMPLOYER** / Principal with Otak, Inc.

**PLANNING FOCUS** / Urban planning and design – including smart growth solutions, station area and subarea plans, corridor and streetscape planning, design guidelines and standards, and public space planning/urban design

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER** / Abu Dhabi Urban Street Design Manual; Hawaii Pedestrian Toolbox

**EDUCATION** / University of Idaho, Bachelors of Landscape Architecture; Portland State University, Graduate Coursework; Washington State University, Low Impact Development Certificate

**YEARS PLANNING** / 28

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION** / To help shape a more sustainable future and to improve the public realm by strengthening connections between people and places.

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE** / The Ferris Company; David Evans and Associates; City of Boise, Idaho



# Gwen Rousseau

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**EMPLOYER /** City of Bellevue

**PLANNING FOCUS /** Demographics, Land Use, GIS Open Data

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER /**  
Launching Bellevue's Open Data portal

**EDUCATION /** University of Washington, MUP('05); Western Washington University, BS in Environment Science ('03), Principia College, BA in English ('89)

**YEARS PLANNING /** 15

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION /** To reinstate participatory democracy, save our planet and help make vibrant, caring communities.

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE /** AHBL, City of Buckley, WA, Whatcom Transportation Authority



# Katie Sheehy

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**EMPLOYER** / Seattle Office of Planning and Community Development

**PLANNING FOCUS** / Equitable Development, Race and Social Justice

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER** / Seattle Transit Communities, Equitable Development Initiative

**EDUCATION** / UW, MPA & MUP (2005); University of Portland BA in Philosophy

**YEARS PLANNING** / 10+

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION** / Help improve government policy to better serve our communities and create a more equitable and sustainable society

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE** / Seattle Planning Commission, Seattle, WA; Hewitt Architects, Seattle, WA; Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Anchorage, AK



# Amanda Siok

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**EMPLOYER /** Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

**PLANNING FOCUS /** Natural hazards risk reduction through land use and environmental planning

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER /**  
Working with Alaska Native Villages to identify strategies to reduce climate change impacts.

**EDUCATION /** 2008 BA English, Minor Geology, University of WA  
2010 Master of Urban Planning, University of WA

**YEARS PLANNING /** 7

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION /**  
To be more engaged and involved in the relationship between humans and the natural environment

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE /** Pacific Marine Environmental Labs (PMEL)/NOAA: Tsunami Research Assistant  
City of Redmond, WA: Transportation Planning Intern, Emergency Planner



# Peter Steinbrueck, FAIA

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**EMPLOYER** / Steinbrueck Urban Strategies

**PLANNING FOCUS** / Community Planning, Urban Design, Green Infrastructure strategies

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER** / Seattle Sustainable Neighborhoods Assessment Project ( SSNAP)

**EDUCATION** / BA Government, Bowdoin College, MA Architecture, UW, Loeb Fellow, Harvard GSD

**YEARS PLANNING** / 20+

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION** / Planning for a sustainable future is what matters most

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE** / Architecture, City Council member, builder



# Jill Sterrett, FAICP

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**EMPLOYER** / UW Affiliate Lecturer

**PLANNING FOCUS** / Climate change and sustainability for local communities

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER** /

Westgate Plan and From Based Code for the City of Edmonds; Snoqualmie Sustainability Strategy; Speaking in South Korea!

**EDUCATION** / USC, MURP ('79); MS Sociology ('74); BA Social Work ('72)

**YEARS PLANNING** / 40+

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION** /

Planning combines my interests in sociology and social work & provides a way to make a difference at a larger scale.

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE** / Managing Principal of the Seattle office of EDAW, Inc., an international consulting firm, 1995 to 2006.



# Talia Tittelfitz, AICP

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**EMPLOYER** / BHC Consultants, LLC

**PLANNING FOCUS** / Comprehensive Plans, sub area plans, current planning, population forecast

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER** / Population forecasts to support sewer infrastructure modeling in a UGA Remand case in Kitsap County.

**EDUCATION** / UW, MUP ('07)

**YEARS PLANNING** / 10+

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION** / I like working in small to mid-sized communities where resources are focused and everyone knows a little bit about everything.

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE** / Puget Sound Regional Council, Seattle; Wabash River Enhancement Corporation, Lafayette Indiana



# Mike Usen, AICP

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**EMPLOYER /** DKS Associates

**PLANNING FOCUS /** Transportation and Environmental sustainability

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER /**  
Autonomous Vehicle study, Sand Point reuse, Rosario Resort Master Plan, Hurricane Katrina recovery

**EDUCATION /** UW, MUP ('04), UVM, BA in Environmental Studies ('86)

**YEARS PLANNING /** 25

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION /**  
Match for my interests, skills, personality & commitment to the environment

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE /** AECOM, Metro Transit, SE Group, EDAW, City of Seattle



# Lisa Verner, FAICP

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**EMPLOYER /** King County

**PLANNING FOCUS /** Working with developers and local governments

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER /**  
Development agreement between large landowner and City of Tukwila (Segale project)

**EDUCATION /** MSRED, MIT; MUP, Cal State San Jose; BA – Gov't and Journalism, University of Redlands

**YEARS PLANNING /** 40

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION /**  
I wanted to know how cities came about

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE /** My own consulting firm; Digital Equipment Corporation; Quadrant Corporation; City of Bothell; Triad Associates

# Roger Wagoner, FAICP

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**EMPLOYER** / Part-time at BHC Consultants, LLC

**PLANNING FOCUS** / Comprehensive plans, economic development, implementation

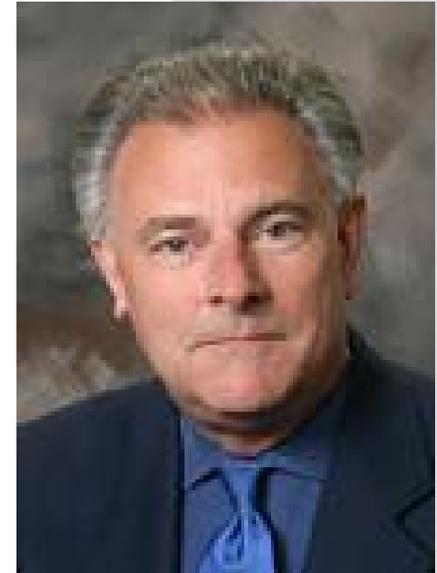
**MOST INTERESTING JOB AS A PLANNER** / Statewide study of housing needs for Alaskan Native peoples

**WHY I CHOSE PLANNING AS A PROFESSION** / Coming from Architecture, I was interested in the “pre-design” decisions about site location & planning, public information, etc.

**EDUCATION** / UW, MUP ('70), University of Nebraska, B Arch ('66)

**YEARS PLANNING** / 50

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE** / NBBJ, DEA, Leo A. Daly Co.



# Julie West

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**EMPLOYER /** Public Health – Seattle & King County

**PLANNING FOCUS /** Healthy community planning; integrating health and equity into local and regional planning projects and policies

**MOST INTERESTING JOB AS A PLANNER /** Yesler Terrace Community Redevelopment (Seattle Housing Authority)

**WHY I CHOSE PLANNING AS A PROFESSION /** An opportunity to influence how our environments can support a healthy quality of life that our residents want for themselves, their families, and their communities

**EDUCATION /** BS; MPH

**YEARS PLANNING /** I've been with PHSKC for 15 years and began to focus on healthy planning approximately 10 years ago

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE /** Registered Dietitian (Presbyterian Hospital, Albuquerque, NM); Peace Corps (Cote D'Ivoire, Africa); Program Manager (PHSKC, Seattle, WA)

# Steven Whitney

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**EMPLOYER** / The Bullitt Foundation

**PLANNING FOCUS** / Regional environmental planning, urban nature, ecosystem services, green infrastructure, climate adaptation and resilience

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER** / Assembled and managed a team of consultants to prepare an alternative transportation plan for Yosemite National Park

**EDUCATION** / Utah State University, BS Environmental Studies; UCLA, MA Architecture and Urban Planning

**YEARS PLANNING** / I've never been a traditional planner, but as a non-traditional planner have used my skills in a number of different federal, state, and local policy contexts.

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION** / Planning is inherently transdisciplinary and therefore has the potential to effectively address complex challenges across diverse public policy domains. My specialization in Environmental Planning connects the ecological sciences to the more traditional socio-economic planning considerations. As a systems thinker, these two factors drew me to planning school.

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE** / Private planning/development consultant, DC Legislative Aide to Congressman Leon Panetta, Natural Resources Specialist with National Parks Conservation Association, Program Director - National Parks with The Wilderness Society, NW Regional Director and Deputy VP for The Wilderness Society, Program Officer and Senior Program Officer for the Bullitt Foundation.



# Karen Wolf, AICP

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**EMPLOYER** / King County, Senior Policy Analyst

**PLANNING FOCUS** / Regional and long-range planning;  
annexations

**MOST INTERESTING PROJECT AS A PLANNER** /  
Reducing  
growth rates in the rural area to less than 2% of total county growth

**EDUCATION** / UW, MUP; UW, BA in Economics

**YEARS PLANNING** / 25+

**WHY I PURSUED PLANNING AS A PROFESSION** /  
To shape and improve my surroundings.

**PAST WORK EXPERIENCE** / King County since 1989 – including  
service as the land use advisor to King County Executive Ron Sims for  
seven years.

