



DEBORAH L. MYERSON, AICP

PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Deborah L. Myerson, AICP is an urban planner and consultant with twenty-five years of experience in the field. As a housing and community development consultant since 2003, Deborah helps organizations and agencies develop housing programs and implement effective policy. Her portfolio includes numerous real estate case studies and project profiles, with specialties in affordable and mixed-income housing. Deborah also speaks frequently to professional audiences on housing and community development topics.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Myerson Consulting, Bloomington, Indiana

Aug. 2003 - present

Boutique firm with expertise in housing and community development

Owner/Principal

- Conducted research and writing for dozens of reports, project profiles, articles, and blog posts on mixed-income housing, community development, and real estate for local, state, and national clients.
- Principal author of “*Aligned For Affordability: A Roadmap For Local Government Policy and Practice In Northwest Arkansas,*” a comprehensive guide for city planners and local leaders seeking more livable, affordable communities. This publication was the final product of the "Aligned for Affordability" project led by the Urban Land Institute Northwest Arkansas District Council and Smart Growth America.
- Author of “*How Did They Do It? Discovering New Opportunities for Affordable Housing,*” a 108-page publication for the National Association of Home Builders featuring a dozen detailed case studies from across the country that showcase the many ways in which communities can increase housing affordability.

South Central Indiana Housing Opportunities, Bloomington, Ind.

Nov. 2016 – Sept. 2020

Nonprofit housing developer and community advocate

Executive Director

- Developed Switchyard Apartments, \$1.39 million new construction mixed-income rental housing, including three units dedicated for residents with intellectual disabilities.
- As a member of a coalition of attorneys, judges, and nonprofit service providers, established the Housing and Eviction Prevention Project, providing free assistance to over 400 tenants and landlords in Bloomington/Monroe County, Indiana.

- Launched Housing4Hoosiers.org, a renters’ resource website that attracts more than 43,000 users annually.
- Administered technical assistance statewide responding to over 300 queries about tenant/landlord rights and responsibilities in Indiana.

Indiana University - Bloomington

Jan 2011 – July 2016

O’Neill School of Public and Environmental Affairs

Adjunct Professor

- Taught upper-level undergraduate classes on housing policy and urban planning
- Partnered with 10+ local agencies to host students for 15 service-learning projects featuring experiential education

EDUCATION

Master of Regional Planning Cornell University, Ithaca, New York

Bachelor of the Arts University of Wisconsin-Madison

SERVICE TO PROFESSION & COMMUNITY

Secretary/Treasurer, American Planning Association, Divisions Council 2022 - present
Executive Committee

Member, CDBG Citizens’ Advisory Committee, City of Bloomington, Ind 2021 - present

Secretary/Commission Member, Bloomington Redevelopment 2021 - present
Commission, City of Bloomington, Ind.

Communications Committee, Housing & Community Development 2020 - present
Division, American Planning Association

CERTIFICATIONS & AWARDS

- Nonprofit Management Certificate, Duke University, 2022
- Division Chair Award, American Planning Association, 2018
- Rental Housing Development Finance Professional, National Development Council. 2017
- American Institute of Certified Planners, 1998 – present