



Rhode Island Opportunity Zones Conference

Agenda

- 7:30 a.m. Registration and Coffee
- 8:30 a.m. Welcome and Kick-Off from Secretary of Commerce Stefan Pryor, Treasurer Seth Magaziner, and Director of Business Regulation Liz Tanner
- 9:00 a.m. Plenary Session: Let's Get Started
- An overview of program fundamentals, an update on federal regulations, and advice for moving forward from national experts including Marc Schultz, Stephanie Copeland, Bruce Katz, and Evan Weiss
 - The audience is invited to submit questions to our local and national experts, including
 - Kristin A. DeKuiper, Holland & Knight
 - Eric Rietveld, Darrow Everett LLP
 - Mary Thompson, Bank of America
- 10:30 a.m. Networking Break
- 11:00 a.m. Plenary Session: Rhode Island on the Move
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch Session: Rhode Island Perspectives Panel
- Panel moderated by Doris Blanchard
 - Panelists:
 - Ron Hadar, Procaccianti Companies
 - Wayne Kezirian, Paolino Properties
 - Chris Satti, Audax Private Equity
 - Jessica David, Rhode Island Foundation
 - Richard Manson, Local Initiatives Support Corporation
- 1:15 p.m. Workshop Breakouts
- A. Anchor Institutions
- Bruce Katz and Evan Weiss will discuss how anchor institutions can drive investments that will spur revitalization in communities
- B. Businesses
- Marc Schultz will dive deeper into examples of making Opportunity Zones work for businesses and commercial real estate
- C. Cities, Towns & Developers
- Stephanie Copeland, Colin Higgins and Jesse Saglio will lead the discussion on state and local tools and resources
- 2:20 p.m. Conference Closing Thoughts
- 2:30 p.m. Expert One-on-One Time
- 3:30 p.m. End