



February 2013

Dear DeShawn,

Check out the latest news from ULI Oklahoma:

- [Upcoming Programs & Events](#)
- [OU IQC Placemaking Conference 2013](#)
- [Better Block OKC 2013](#)
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If you have any comments or suggestions for what you would like to see in future newsletters, please contact us at oklahoma@uli.org.

Thank you!

Programs & Initiatives

ULI Oklahoma: Upcoming Programs

- Oklahoma City Council Candidates' Forum, TODAY, Feb. 21. Click [here](#) for more information. Register by calling 607-6801.
- MEMBERS Only Site Tour: 18th Street Lofts. Click [here](#) for more information.
- Monthly Luncheon Series: featuring Kirk Humphreys, Feb. 7th. Registration limited to 20. Click [here](#) for more information.
- Book Signing: Jeff Speck "Walkable City: How Downtown Can Save America, One Step at a Time. Click [here](#) for more information.
- Kansas City Trip, April 11-12. Registration opening soon.

ULI National: Upcoming Programs

- Executive Small-Scale Development Program, Feb. 28-Mar. 1...[more information](#)
- ULI Spring Meeting, San Diego - May 15-17...[more information](#)
- ULI Fall Meeting, Chicago - Nov. 5-8...[more information](#)

You can also email program & initiatives ideas and suggestions to oklahoma@uli.org.



2013 PLACEMAKING CONFERENCE

PRESENTED BY THE INSTITUTE FOR QUALITY COMMUNITIES

Wednesday, April 3, the Institute for Quality Communities at OU will host the inaugural "2013 Placemaking Conference". This conference will feature world leaders in the fields of placemaking, urban planning, historic preservation, and walkability.

Hank Dittmar, Chief Executive of Prince Charles' Foundation for Building Community, will headline the conference. City planner & architect Jeff Speck will deliver the lunch keynote. They will be joined by outstanding architects, urban designers, community planners, historic preservationists, and civic leaders discussing a range of topics related to enhancing Oklahoma communities.

For more information & registration, click [here](#). The conference will be free & open to the public but registration is required. So register soon to reserve your space!

Better Block 2013 will be at the Farmers Market on Saturday, May 4th & will be coordinated again by Allison Bailey & Kristen Vails.

Time. Whether you're interested in being a volunteer, a sponsor or just want to attend the event, sign up for a segment of our newsletter, [subscribe to Better Block OKC newsletter](#). Better Block OKC continues through efforts of volunteers. We hope that you'll join us this year! Check out our [Community Projects Pinterest board](#) for inspiration.

Money. We are now accepting sponsorship for 2013 Better Block OKC. Sponsorship levels start at just \$100.

All donations are tax-deductible. For more information, email betterblockokc@gmail.com.

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In the News



- [Zoning Out](#) - *Oklahoma Gazette*
- [Tulsa Facility Renovations Eyed as Aart of New Funding Package](#) - *Tulsa World*
- [Oklahoma City Group Aims to Make Farmers Market District to a 'Better Block'](#) - *NewsOK*
- [Parking is a Top Concern for the Pearl District](#) - *Public Tulsa Radio*
- [The Astute Investor: Forecast is Up, Down, Sideways](#) - *Edmond Sun*
- [Calvary Baptist Church Being Brought Back to Life as a Law Firm](#) - *NewsOK*
- [Streetcars Carry 'Oddball' Label at Smart Growth Conference](#) - *Kansas City Star*
- [Public Transportation Symposium Set for Feb. 26](#)
- [Patron Saints](#) - *OKC Biz*
- [Steffen's Dairy Demolition Begins in Bricktown, Hotel Construction Set to Start](#) - *NewsOK*

Top articles from UrbanLand Magazine

Some articles worth reading on issues with both national and local relevance:



- Real Estate Barometer, February 2013...[more](#)
- The Fading Differentiation between City & Suburb...[more](#)
- Cities for All: No Skipping Generations...[more](#)
- NAHB: Buyers Want Energy Efficiency, Storage Options...[more](#)
- It's Just A Game--With Real City Issues...[more](#)

Join broader discussion with ULI members from around the world
Here are some topics driving discussion:



- [The Changing Landscape of Affordable Housing](#)
- [Saving Seattle's Neighborhood Authenticity Through Better Buildings](#)
- [Placemakers" Suburban Retrofitting](#)
- [Communities as Networks](#)
- [The Role of Open Space](#)

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