



Director, Resilience Washington, DC

About the Organization

ULI is a global research and education nonprofit organization whose mission is to shape the future of the built environment for transformative impact in communities worldwide. It is the oldest and largest network of cross disciplinary real estate and land experts in the world, with over 45,000 members. For more information, please visit <https://uli.org>.

About the Centers & Initiatives

The ULI Centers and Initiatives team is comprised of the Center for Sustainability and Economic Performance, Center for Real Estate Economics and Capital Markets, Terwilliger Center for Housing, and the Curtis Infrastructure Initiative. ULI Centers and Initiatives help advance the ULI mission through a combination of convenings, research and publications, technical assistance to communities, and other activities. By engaging, informing, and inspiring ULI members and their partners to create more healthy, equitable, resilient, and sustainable communities, the Centers and Initiatives team is addressing humanity's most urgent challenges and helping to create a future in which all people can prosper. For more information, please visit <https://americas.uli.org/research/centers-initiatives>.

The Center houses ULI's Greenprint, Building Healthy Places and Urban Resilience Programs. The Urban Resilience program helps cities prepare for the expected effects of climate change. From rising sea levels to more frequent storm events to extended droughts, the changing climate poses short- and long-term risks and opportunities for urban planning and development. The Urban Resilience program provides resources and strategies to mitigate those risks and to create a more resilient and durable vision for community development. The program publishes in-depth research and conference reports and showcases best practices in resilient urban design.

About the Role

The Director, Resilience plays a key program management role for ULI's Urban Resilience Program. Reporting directly to the Vice President, Resilience, this position will take a leadership role in research and publications, training, technical assistance, and educational activities on resilience topics to enhance environmental performance, economic opportunity, and social equity. The position will be part of the Urban Resilience team and will also collaborate with District Council staff and colleagues within the Center for Sustainability and Economic Performance in addition to ULI members, external partners, and community representatives.

Responsibilities include:

- Support the Vice President, Resilience in developing ULI's resilience strategy, technical assistance program, research agenda and programming for major member convenings.
- Lead development and successful execution of projects and/or research initiatives related to resilience, environmental vulnerabilities and the built environment.
- Manage technical assistance workshops and projects; including identifying expert panelists, facilitating discussions, preparing reports, and supporting impact evaluations.
- Coordinate closely with ULI District Council staff and members to create strategies for events, locally led publications, and technical assistance projects.

- Represent ULI Urban Resilience Program work to audiences such as the media, ULI district councils and partner organizations.
- Assist in attracting sponsorships and foundation grant funds for the Urban Resilience program.
- Support the VP in fostering relationships with key coalition partners and current and prospective funders.
- Support other strategic priorities of the Center for Sustainability and Economic Performance as required.
- This position is likely to require travel at least 4-6 times per year.

Candidate Profile

Requirements include:

- BA required, preferably in a field related to Sustainability, Urban Planning, Landscape Architecture, Real Estate, or Public Administration; MA preferred. At least 7 years of professional experience, preferably with a focus on resilience in the real estate industry or a related sector.
- Knowledge of and interest in climate resilience, hazard mitigation, climate adaptation, land use, the built environment, infrastructure, real estate, climate change, planning and design.
- Demonstrated project management skills with internal and external partners.
- Experience engaging senior leaders in real estate and land use.
- Outstanding facilitation and partnership skills - easily fosters relationships and partnerships with stakeholders to ensure their buy-in and follow-through program successes
- Experience planning and managing small-scale events.
- Strong written and oral communication skills and the ability to manage several projects simultaneously.
- Experience in research, education, and outreach projects - ready to be a lead author of ULI research reports, case studies, and toolkits.
- Ability to work independently, multitask, and prioritize in a dynamic work environment.
- Proficiency with Microsoft suite and zoom; experience with web design/Word Press and Adobe products such as InDesign is a plus.
- Commitment to Diversity, Equity and Inclusion.

Application Process

ULI has a robust benefits package which includes health, dental, and life insurance, vacation and a retirement plan. Compensation is commensurate with experience. Expand HR Consulting (EHR) has been retained to conduct the search. To apply, please submit your letter of interest and resume to EHR, Erica Raphael, Sr. Consultant, eraphael@expandhr.com.

ULI is proud to be an equal opportunity employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion/creed, sex, national origin, disability, genetic information, pregnancy, veteran or active military status, alienage or citizenship status, arrest or conviction record, credit history, salary history, caregiver status, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital or partnership status, familial status, unemployment status, status as a victim of domestic violence, sexual violence or any other status protected by applicable law.