

Rollin Stanley is the planning director for Montgomery County, overseeing one of the largest, well-respected planning departments in the nation. Previously, he was the planning director for the City of St. Louis for six years and, before that, a planner in Toronto, Canada for 21 years. Stanley brings a fresh perspective to strategic urban growth in the suburbs, focusing on creating land use opportunities for strategic infill and making connections to quality of life, land use and economics. In his four years, the department has initiated some of the largest land use shifts in the county's history. The 2010 White Flint Sector Plan has been hailed as a model for smart growth nationwide. Stanley frequently is invited to lecture throughout the state, nation and worldwide, most recently representing the APA in China helping to form a strategic growth strategy for the city of Shouzhou. Maryland Governor Martin O'Malley appointed Stanley to the Maryland Sustainable Growth Commission, where he heads a Funding Work Group that is developing legislation geared to funding sustainable transportation and other infrastructure.

