

Curriculum Vitae

JENNIFER S. VEY

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2001-present Fellow/Senior Research Associate/Senior Research Analyst, Brookings Institution Metropolitan Policy Program

- Manage major research portfolio focused on the competitiveness and quality of life of central cities and regions in the new economy. Prepare project research agendas, identify and commission new research, and review and edit reports. Author or co-author original reports, op-eds, and articles on topics related to city and regional revitalization and competitiveness. Serve as liaison to outside scholars, practitioners, constituency groups, and funders. Promote research through media interviews and presentations at conferences, forums, and meetings. Assist in drafting grant proposals. Organize academic roundtables and conferences.
- Serve on Program Executive Team. Assist in guiding the intellectual and strategic direction of the Metropolitan Policy Program.

1999-2001 Community Development Specialist, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

- Administered the national Empowerment Zone/Enterprise Community (EZ/EC) Initiative (89 designees) with team. Supported EZ/ECs in the implementation of their strategic plans; facilitated non-profit board development, commercial and housing development, business attraction and expansion, and job growth in EZ/ECs by providing program guidance and information on Federal and other resources.
- Reviewed and recommended applications for economic development grant programs including: Youthbuild (\$75 million), Rural Housing and Economic Development (\$25 million), Economic Development Initiative (\$35 million), and Brownfields Economic Development Initiative (\$25 million).

1998-1999 Budget Analyst, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

- Participated in the formulation, justification, and execution of the budget for Community Planning and Development and Fair Housing programs. Assisted in the preparation and review of budget submissions to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Reviewed and prepared budget schedules and documentation related to the presentation of the President's Budget to Congress. Assisted in the development of the Department's Annual Performance Plan. Prepared responses to policy and legislative proposals.

1997-1998 Planning Intern, Fairfax County, VA Office of Comprehensive Planning

- Coordinated over 35 variance and special permit applications submitted by citizens, developers, and non-profit organizations. Worked with applicants and other stakeholders, reviewed applications, conducted research on cases, collaborated with other staff planners, and wrote reports. Presented cases on behalf of the County before the Board of Zoning Appeals.

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EDUCATION

University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA

Master of Planning, 1997

Bucknell University, Lewisburg, PA

Bachelor of Arts, Geography, 1993

University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI

graduate study in geography, 1993-1994

ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL AWARDS

1998 Presidential Management Intern Fellowship

1996 Dean's Forum Scholarship, University of Virginia

1993 Teaching Assistantship, University of Wisconsin

1993 Cum Laude, Bucknell University

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATIONS

2001 National Development Council Economic Development Finance Professional

PUBLICATIONS, PRESENTATIONS, AND MEDIA

Books

Retooling for Growth: Building a 21st Century Economy in America's Older Industrial Areas. Brookings Institution Press, March 2008 (edited volume, with Richard M. McGahey).

Policy Articles and Reports

"Revitalizing America's Older Industrial Cities: A State Agenda for Change." In *Retooling for Growth: Building a 21st Century Economy in America's Older Industrial Areas.* Brookings Institution Press, March 2008 (edited volume, with Richard M. McGahey).

"Restoring Prosperity: The State Role in Revitalizing Older Industrial Cities." Brookings Institution, May 2007.

"Organizing for Success: A Call to Action for the Kansas City Region." Brookings Institution, August 2006.

"Higher Education in Pennsylvania: A Competitive Asset for Communities." Brookings Institution, December 2005.

"Back to Prosperity: A Competitive Agenda for Renewing Pennsylvania." Brookings Institution, December 2003 (with Mark Muro).

"Seizing City Assets: Ten Steps to Urban Land Reform." Brookings Institution, October 2002 (with Paul C. Brophy).

"Demographic Change in Medium-Sized Cities: Evidence from the 2000 Census." Brookings Institution, July 2002 (with Benjamin Forman).

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Op Eds

“Downtown’s Goal: 43,000 Residents.” *Cleveland Plain Dealer*, June 29, 2007 (with Bruce Katz).

“Cities Must Lead Way Back to Prosperity.” *Hartford Courant*, June 24, 2007 (with Bruce Katz).

“Calling the Commonwealth: Revitalizing Pittsburgh.” *Pittsburgh Post Gazette*, May 27, 2007 (with Bruce Katz).

Selected Presentations

“Restoring Prosperity: What States Can Do to Revitalize America’s Older Industrial Cities.” Holmes Partnership Annual Conference, Orlando, FL, January, 2008.

“Restoring Prosperity: What States Can Do to Revitalize America’s Older Industrial Cities.” National Vacant Properties Campaign Annual Conference, Pittsburgh, PA, September 2007.

“Restoring Prosperity: What States Can Do to Revitalize America’s Older Industrial Cities.” Public Forum in Syracuse, NY, May 2007.

“Restoring Prosperity: What States Can Do to Revitalize America’s Older Industrial Cities.” Public Forum in Rochester, NY, May 2007.

“Restoring Prosperity: What States Can Do to Revitalize America’s Older Industrial Cities.” Berks County PA Chamber of Commerce Breakfast, May 2007.

“The Federal Housing Policy Dilemma For Older Communities.” Capitol Hill Briefing, March 2007.

“Revitalizing Weak Market Cities in the U.S.” 16th Annual Conference on the Small City, Wilkes-Barre, PA, October 2006.

“Higher Education in Pennsylvania: A Competitive Asset for Communities.” Pennsylvania League of Cities and Municipalities Annual Convention, Pittsburgh, PA, June 2006.

“Seizing City Assets: Ten Steps to Urban Land Reform.” Pittsburgh Symposium on Abandoned Buildings and Vacant Land, Pittsburgh, PA, June 2003.

“Seizing City Assets: Ten Steps to Urban Land Reform.” American Planning Association’s 2003 Legislative and Policy Conference, Washington, D.C., May 2003.

“The Economics of the Urban Demographic: Why Retailers Who Once Dismissed Urban Locations Should Re-Think This Position.” International Council of Shopping Centers (ICSC) New England Alliance Program, Boston, MA, April 2003.

“Seizing City Assets: Setting an Agenda for Urban Land Reform.” Homebuilders Association of Maryland 5th Annual Maryland Conference on Growth, Baltimore, MD, December 2002.

“Signs of Life: The Growth of Biotechnology Centers in the U.S.” State Science and Technology Institute Pre-Conference Workshop, Dearborn, MI, October 2002.

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“Changing Demographics: Implications for Cities and Downtowns.” Downtown Norfolk Housing Symposium, Norfolk, VA, January 2002.

“Growing Competitive Cities.” Meeting of state legislators and state economic development staff, Excelsior Springs, MO, October 2001.

Media

Interviews and citations in newspapers including: *New York Times*, *The Economist*, *Washington Post*, *USA Today*, *Houston Chronicle*, *Baltimore Sun*, *Pittsburgh Post Gazette*, *Cleveland Plain Dealer*, *Kansas City Star*, *Sacramento Bee*, *Buffalo News*, *Newark Star Ledger*, *Syracuse Post-Standard*, *Rochester Democrat and Chronicle*, *Chattanooga Times Free Press*, *Akron Beacon Journal*, *Pittsburgh Tribune-Review*, *Harrisburg Patriot*, *Los Vegas Review Journal*, *Youngstown Vindicator*, *Northeast Pennsylvania Business Journal*, *Philadelphia Business Journal*, and other local and regional outlets.

Radio and Television: NPR Morning Edition, 90.3 WCPN Cleveland; WXXI Rochester; KCUR 89.3 Kansas City; WSYR Channel 9 News Syracuse; RNews Channel 108; Capitol News 9 Albany.

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES

2006-present: Advisory Committee member, Northeast-Midwest Institute

2004-present: Advisory Committee member, National Vacant Properties Campaign