



STEWART SCHWARTZ is the Executive Director and a founder of the Coalition for Smarter Growth, which he built into the leading smart growth organization in the Washington, D.C. region, addressing the interconnected issues of land use, transportation, urban design, housing, and the environment. The Coalition's *Blueprint for a Better Region*, is a sustainable vision linking urban revitalization, transit and transit-oriented development, affordable housing, and more walkable communities. Mr. Schwartz and the Coalition have been instrumental in winning regional commitment to this sustainable vision as reflected in the Council of Governments' *Region Forward* compact, the new plan for Tysons, and the boom in approvals of transit-oriented developments across the region. The Coalition has reviewed and supported nearly 100 smart growth projects totaling 21 million square feet of development and 28,000 housing units.

In 2012 and 2013, the Washington Business Journal selected Mr. Schwartz to their Power 100 most influential business leaders in the Washington DC region, and in 2002 they recognized him as their Business Person of the Year. The Coalition has also been recognized three times by the Catalogue for Philanthropy as one of the best small charities in the Washington, D.C. region.

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