TransFormation Academy Application

Academy Description
The TransFormation Academy is designed to help community-based groups and residents engage in community revitalization and transit planning. The Academy will include a dynamic mixture of lectures, group discussion, hands-on engagement, and take-home activities. Upon graduation from the Academy, participants will have an increased understanding of equitable transit-oriented development, the planning process, key roles in development, and more.

The Academy includes 6 different modules:
1. A People’s History of Planning in Metropolitan Atlanta - Defines the core principles of equitable TOD and provides background in the history of planning and transit-oriented development in metropolitan Atlanta.
2. Arts and Culture Equity - Addresses inequities in the arts through the use of history and data; explores ways community members can evaluate current structures and determine strategies to make arts and culture more equitable.
3. What is ETOD? - Against the backdrop of community values, compares TOD and ETOD by looking at specific stations in metropolitan Atlanta and the inequities surrounding them.
4. How Does Development Happen and Who are the Players? - Walks through the planning process and identifies key roles and functions of policymakers; explores ways community members can participate in and influence change.
5. Climate Justice and Health Equity - Relates health disparities to environmental disparities and discusses how climate change is a human rights issue; evaluates current policy and the need for community power in bringing about the principles of environmental justice.
6. Building Power to Influence Growth and Development - Describes power actors, collective community power, and systems change through community action and leadership.

Academy Logistics
The Academy will take place this fall on five different days, with meals provided on each:

- Saturday, October 6th - 9am-3pm
- Thursday, October 18th - 6:30pm-9pm
- Thursday, November 8th - 6:30pm-9pm
- Friday, November 16th - 6:30pm-9pm
- Saturday, December 1st - 9am-3pm

Participation in each of the sessions is mandatory for full completion.
Applicant Info.

Personal Information

Name ____________________________________________

E-mail Address ________________________________________

Cell Phone Number __________________ Secondary Phone Number __________________

Organization (and position) ______________________________________________________

Home Address ________________________________________________________________

Please provide a one-paragraph description of your vision for equity in your community:
(Feel free to include another page in order to completely answer this question and the following).

Provide us with a brief synopsis of your story and how it relates to your interest in the Academy.
References
Please list below the names and contact information of people we can contact for a verbal reference:

1. Name ________________________ Phone _________________ E-mail __________________

2. Name ________________________ Phone _________________ E-mail __________________

Academy Fee:
$75 for organizations
$25 for community members

The fee includes meals during the sessions and all workshop materials and instructor costs. Details about payment will be sent out upon acceptance into the Academy.

*If the cost of the Academy is prohibitive to your participation, please contact Kirsten Cook at kcook@psequity.org.

Please return completed application to kcook@psequity.org by September 24, 2018.