

The First Tier Suburbs Council (FTS) represents cities and towns outside of central cities and inside the ring of developing suburbs and rural areas. We share unique challenges and strengths that should be included in national, state and regional policy discussions. We are diverse with respect to size, demographic characteristics, age and history, resources and governmental structure.

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Got Blight?

Looking for answers to economic decline, aging infrastructure, falling property values, and changing demographics?

Learn more by attending our Council Meeting:

First Tier Suburbs Council Meeting
9:00 AM - 10:30 AM
November 20, 2014
Hilton - Room 616 A and B

If you are looking for answers, you are not alone!
Over 20% of Americans live in older suburban communities that are not aging well.

The **First Tier Suburbs Council (FTS)** of the National League of Cities is focused on solutions for communities all across America.

Learn more at our [NCL webpage](#):

FTS: your resource for revitalization:



Changing demographics, economic decline, and aging infrastructure are creating a number of unrecognized challenges for most suburban cities across the nation. The good news is that there is no need to address these challenges on your own. The First Tier Suburbs Council offers a comprehensive look at the realities suburban cities are encountering along with focused plan and best practices for the future.

Learn more about First Tier Suburbs solutions at these great sessions:

FTS Approved Curricula

Thursday, November 20th

11:30 AM - 12:15 PM

Solution Session: From Open to Innovation and Engagement – Tips from the Trenches

Location: ACC - Room 17B

Friday, November 21st

10:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Creating Inclusive Communities

Location: ACC - Room 17B

Friday, November 21st

1:30 PM - 3:00 PM

Supporting Youth and Family Development Through Collaborative Leadership

Location: ACC - Ballroom G

Saturday, November 22nd

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM

Innovative Funding Models to Prevent Crime and Build Youth Opportunities

Location: ACC - Room 17A