

CityLinks newsletter

Quarterly CityLinks Activities

With the launch of year four projects, several year three projects coming to a close, and the addition of a new team member, the CityLinks team was busier than ever in the past quarter. We are pleased to introduce our new Program Director, David Grossman. David joined the team early in the quarter; you can get to know him [here](#).

In January, the CityLinks team opened the application process for the 2015 Climate Adaptation Partnership Program and received dozens of applications from all over the world. After careful review, three pairs of cities were matched for two rounds of partnerships. In the first round of partnerships, Boulder, Colorado will act as a resource city for Shimla, India and Townsville, Australia will act as a resource city for Portmore, Jamaica. Somerville, Massachusetts will serve as a resource city for La Ceiba, Honduras in the second round of partnerships.

In February, activities under the [Legazpi City - Fort Lauderdale Climate Change Partnership](#) resumed after being put on hold due to Typhoon Rammason and the Mayon Volcano evacuations in the Philippines in late 2014. To kick off the next phase of the partnership, the CityLinks team, along with representatives from Fort Lauderdale, traveled to the Philippines to support Albay Province's Zero Casualty Policy with the development of scenario maps that can help inform land use plans.

Later in the month, the CityLinks team participated in the first ICLEI Resilient Cities Asia-Pacific congress series in Bangkok, Thailand. The event focused on urban resilience and adaptation to climate change. It was designed to showcase innovative solutions and help local governments transform them into working policy and practice. Participants included mayors, local government representatives, UN agencies, researchers, and private sector partners.

Back in the DC office, the CityLinks team completed final revisions on the Primer on Subnational Approaches for Low Emission Development, Climate Resilient Development and began its design process. To support the impending launch of the Primer, the team designed a free interactive webinar slated to take place the following quarter. The team also opened the application process for the upcoming [App2Action Challenge](#).

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