



# ONE REGION FORWARD

Working together for a more sustainable Buffalo-Niagara

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One Region Forward is a broad-based collaborative region-wide effort to create a practical roadmap to build a more sustainable economy, environment, and community in Buffalo Niagara. To guide this effort, we will bring together local elected officials, businesses, other stakeholder groups, and citizens-at-large to move our region towards a more prosperous and sustainable future.

## Be a part of moving One Region Forward.

Because no plan for sustainable development can succeed without the creative contribution and informed support of the citizens of the Buffalo Niagara Region, the One Region Forward process will involve thorough and persistent engagement of the people it will impact the most.



That's why we are convening the **Community Congress** to bring together citizens and our region's dense network of community-based groups to guide the development of One Region Forward.

**January 29, 2013**

7:00 - 9:00 pm

Asbury Hall at "Babeville"  
City of Buffalo

**February 2, 2013**

2:00 - 4:00 pm

Conference and Event  
Center Niagara Falls  
City of Niagara Falls

## The One Region Forward Community Congress will:

**Provide input and feedback on where we want to go as a region.**

We share an emerging vision for the future of our region, expressed in the priorities established in every municipality's comprehensive plan and in larger regional documents like the *Framework for Regional Growth* and the WNY Regional Economic Development Council's 2011 plan *A Strategy For Prosperity*. **A draft of this shared vision will be presented at the first Community Congress meetings.**

**Tell us what's working in your community and things that could help.**

One Region Forward will work to create tools that help us all to make smarter, more efficient decisions. Members of the Community Congress will be asked to **tell us what types of resources – online tools, capacity building opportunities, and technical assistance – would best assist you** in making your communities more livable.

**Tell us how we can better coordinate efforts as a region.**

Working together, we can create a more prosperous and livable Buffalo Niagara. This will require us to identify the actions and resources needed to realize a sustainable future for our community.

**Through participation in the Community Congress, you will have the opportunity to shape these recommendations.**



To learn more about **One Region Forward**, please visit us at [www.oneregionforward.org](http://www.oneregionforward.org).

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