



## **ULI North Texas Announces \$20,000 Grants for Planning for Parks and Trails**

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Is your city or town in need of a fresh look at a local park that is underutilized, a way to connect neighborhoods with open space areas, or a creative way to convert aging retail areas into community assets? Then your municipality may be a strong candidate for a ULI TAP grant.

The Urban Land Institute (ULI) is known nationally for its **Technical Assistance Panel** or “**TAP**” workshops. A TAP is a two-day intensive workshop in which ULI members offer their time and expertise to develop creative but pragmatic solutions to local planning, urban design, and finance challenges.

**ULI North Texas** is partnering with **The Trust for Public Land** to provide a series of TAPs related to the “10 Minute Walk to a Park” campaign, aimed at ensuring that all urban area residents have access to a high-quality park, trail or green space within a 10-minute walk. In particular, ULI is looking for TAP opportunities that connect parts of existing recreation networks that have a “missing link”, or park and trail projects that have the potential for a catalytic effect on the surrounding community.

Typically, the municipality, county or non-profit organization that hosts a ULI TAP is expected to pay \$20,000 to obtain the insight and experience of ULI members in planning, site design, finance, and other areas. But for the first four applicants to qualify under this TAP grant program, the host organization will only need to provide background information, a staff contact, meeting facilities for the TAP participants, and similar on-site assistance. The waiver of the \$20,000 fee serves as a grant from ULI North Texas.

**We urge you to review these materials and apply for a TAP grant prior to the application deadline of September 28, 2018.**

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