



What Architects Bring To The Community

1. Architects Can Contribute To Their Local Communities

When architects work with local residents to address community issues, they bring a long history of experience and expertise that, combined with local knowledge and the expressed need of residents, can offer solutions to communities' most pressing problems.

2. Architects Design Communities On A Human Scale

Americans like to walk and bike. We are currently challenged by congestion across our state and country, because as communities have been designed, they are left with no acceptable alternative. If designed by architects, communities in the future can and should have alternatives to driving.

3. Architects Know How To Preserve Open Space In Neighborhoods To Make For Healthier Communities

Revitalizing brownfields and protecting open space are issues of quality of life. Architects see all aspects of community life and know how to build pleasant environments that incorporate public places. These encourage residents to interact in a healthy way, thereby improving quality of life for everyone.

4. Architects Are Conservationists And Preservationists By Nature

Architects know how to preserve historic buildings and environmental landscapes. They know how to revitalize urban areas, thus reducing development of the suburbs that increase traffic congestion and air pollution.

5. Architects Are Connected And Accountable To Their Communities

Architecture is a client driven and community driven profession. Architects not only welcome community input, but also *need* it. Their success is dependent on the satisfaction of the people whom they serve.