



BRAD SEGAL

President

Real Estate Economics | Strategic Planning | Leadership Facilitation | Public Engagement | Community Development Finance | Equitable Communities

EXPERTISE

Brad Segal, who founded P.U.M.A. in 1993, has more than 30 years of experience in downtown management and community development as both a practitioner and consultant. A self-proclaimed “urban therapist,” Brad is one of the nation’s leading authorities on downtown trends and issues, reinventing downtown management organizations, forming business improvement districts and pioneering efforts to create healthy communities.

Representative projects include:

- Building consensus and forming business improvement districts in Santa Monica, CA; Cleveland, OH; Oklahoma City, OK; San Antonio, TX; and Boulder, CO
- Directing the public process and developing market-based downtown plans in Grand Rapids, MI; Evansville, IN; San Diego, CA; Reno, NV; and Greeley, CO
- Creating strategic plans to guide center city public/private partnerships in Colorado Springs, CO; Washington, DC; Pasadena, CA; Norfolk, VA; and Nassau, Bahamas
- Designing and implementing community-based economic development strategies for New Haven, CT; Wailuku, HI; Lincoln, NE; Milwaukee, WI; and Denver, CO

PAST EXPERIENCE

Senior Director, Downtown Denver Partnership, Inc., Denver, CO, 1987-1993

Designed and managed business development and marketing programs to attract jobs and investment to downtown Denver. Highlights included directing the Lower Downtown Business Support Office, which is credited with helping to revitalize Denver’s premier urban historic district, and being part of the management team that re-engineered the Downtown Denver Partnership’s operations, structure and organizational culture.

Associate Director, Port Morris Local Development Corporation, South Bronx, NY, 1984-1985

Formed and managed a local development corporation to pursue industrial revitalization and represent 450 businesses.

Housing and Economic Development Coordinator, City of Martinez, CA, 1979-1983

Directed the commercial revitalization of a 10-block Main Street area.

SELECTED RECOGNITION & AFFILIATIONS

Honors:

International Downtown Association President’s Award for sustained leadership and generosity in producing the P.U.M.A. Global Trends Report, 2014

Recognized by the International Downtown Association for work performed as a volunteer for Historic Denver for formation of the Downtown Denver Historic District, 2001

Named Entrepreneur of the Year for the Rocky Mountain region in the category of Supporter of Entrepreneurship, sponsored by Inc. Magazine, Ernst & Young and Merrill Lynch, 1992

Professional Affiliations:

International Downtown Association, Board Member (1998-2004 and 2010-2016)

Downtown Colorado Inc, Board Member (2000-2009) and President (2007-2008)

All In Denver, Co-Founder and Board Member (2016-present)

Urban Land Institute

Forward Cities, Advisory Board Member

Featured Speaker: Frequent workshop presenter and panelist in conferences sponsored by the International Downtown Association, National Main Street Center, American Planning Association, California Downtown Association and Downtown Colorado, Inc.

Lecturer: Teach urban revitalization strategies course at the University of Colorado Denver Graduate School of Architecture and Planning (2012-present)

Expert Witness: Testimony in support of community planning and development approach to congressional redistricting, State of Colorado, October 2011

EDUCATION

Master of Business Administration, Columbia University, NY

Bachelor of Arts in Urban Analysis, University of California at Berkeley

PROGRESSIVE URBAN
MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATES

