

Jeremy Németh: Smart decline: planning for shrinking cities

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- Rustbelt cities such as Baltimore, Cleveland, and Detroit present major challenges for urban planners trying to manage economic decline and population shrinkage. This project develops a theoretical framework called “Smart Decline,” a set of realistic yet creative policy and planning strategies that actively build demographic and housing projections into decisions about land use, zoning, economic development, and housing, within the context of overall depopulation trends.
- This project resulted in numerous articles in peer-reviewed journals including *Cities*, *Housing Policy Debate*, *Urban Affairs*, and the *Journal of Landscape Architecture*.
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