



Andi Cooper, RLA, LEED AP

Director, Business Development

With her 15+ years as an award-winning landscape architect, Andi has in-depth understanding of the design process – from concept to implementation. Her projects have ranged from environmentally focused open space master plans to sustainability-driven corporate site plans for LEED Platinum facilities.

Andi complements her design expertise with over 10 years of communications experience, including promoting and seeking publicity for client projects.

Andi's undergraduate degree is centered on human and organizational development and early childhood education, and she is passionate about fostering learning environments that connect children with nature and cultivate their imaginations – creating outdoor spaces that leave no child inside.

Education

*Master of Landscape Architecture
University of Michigan, School of
Natural Resources*

*Sustainable Golf Course
Architecture Study Ireland
Michigan State University*

*B.S., Human and Organizational
Development, Leadership Track
Vanderbilt University*

Registrations

*Landscape Architecture Illinois
#157-001165*

*US Green Building Council LEED
Accredited Professional, 2007*

Affiliations

*The Conservation Foundation
DuPage County Advisory Board
2014*

*DuPage County Health
Department - FORWARD
Advisory Board, 2014*

*American Society of Landscape
Architects – IL Chapter Past Educ.
Chair, State Conference Chair*

*Village of Lombard Illinois
Planning Commissioner
2009-current*

*Instructor – Professional
Licensing Exam Prep Course,
Sponsored by ILASLA. 2006-07*

Publications

Master's Thesis: Communities
Speak For Themselves, 1999, an
examination of eco-driven,
participatory landscape design

Sample Projects

Lombard School District 44 – Lombard, IL

Hammerschmidt Elem. Learn+Play Gardens – BMP Demonstrations
DuPage County Stormwater Grant

First Congregational Church of Elmhurst – Elmhurst, IL

Sustainable BMP Landscape and Stormwater Plan
DuPage County Stormwater Grant

The Kresge Foundation – Troy, MI*

Headquarters site and stormwater plan
LEED Platinum and Michigan ASLA Honor Award

Metropolitan Water Reclamation District – Greater Chicago, IL*

Prairie Conversion Projects across 7 facilities
Awarded by USEPA Chicago Region and Chicago Wilderness for Conservation and
Native Landscaping

Chicago Park District – Chicago, IL*

Chicago River Master Plan (9 + miles of Chicago River shoreline)
Illinois ASLA President's Award

Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum – Chicago, IL*

Kent County – Greater Grand Rapids, MI*

Millennium Park Master Plan. 1500 acre sustainable park retrofit plan
Michigan ASLA Honor Award

Village of Mequon – Mequon, WI*

Sustainable Agriculture Master Plan

Sample Presentations

- ~ USGBC Chicago IL High Performance Schools Conference, Lincolnshire, IL. "Kicking Asphalt to the Curb." 2014
- ~ GreenTown - Naperville, IL. "Green Schoolyard Solutions." 2013
- ~ ASLA National Convention – Chicago, IL. "The Kresge Foundation Sustainable Site Design: LEED by Example." 2009
- ~ Greening the Heartland Conference. "Growing Green Communities in the Heartland." Chicago, IL. 2005
- ~ WI Green Building Alliance Conference: "Waterscapes: Planning, Designing and Building with Water." 2005
- ~ MI Smart Growth for Clean Water Conference. "Innovative Site Design at the Kresge Foundation Headquarters."
- ~ American Society of Landscape Architects, National Convention – New Orleans, LA. 2003 ASLA Annual Meeting. "Fuzzy Edges Between Green and Blue: How Designers are Re-shaping Aquatic Shorelines." 2003

**Experience prior to joining WRD
Environmental*



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