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AIA New York Releases Position Statements to Respond to Presidential Administration

Functioning as a set of guiding principles, the statements will help determine how the organization responds to upcoming federal policies affecting the built and natural environment

New York, NY, February 6, 2017 – The leadership of the American Institute of Architects New York (AIANY) has developed a set of [position statements](#) to guide the organization in responding to the policies of the new presidential administration. Drafted in collaboration with AIANY's Housing Committee, Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Committee on the Environment, and Education Committee, the position statements address various aspects of the built and natural environment directly impacted by federal agencies and policies.

Following the election, AIANY's Board of Directors issued a call to members for suggestions on how to best respond to the challenges facing the architectural profession. Overwhelmingly, responses advised the organization to look inward and create foundational tools to refer back to as critical issues arise. To this end, these statements, broken down into four chapters – [Housing](#), [Transportation and Infrastructure](#), [Sustainability and the Environment](#), and [Education](#) – will function as a set of principles and values that will help determine how AIANY develops advocacy initiatives and engages with AIANY members as issues come to the fore.

The position statements have been disseminated to AIANY members and colleagues. The statements are also being shared with the leadership of related organizations to ensure collaborative responses.

About AIA New York

Founded in 1857, AIA New York is the oldest and largest chapter of the American Institute of Architects. The Chapter's members include 5,500 practicing architects, allied professionals, students, and public members interested in architecture and design. AIA New York is dedicated to three goals: design excellence, public outreach, and professional development. www.aiany.org