

VICTOR DOVER BIO

Victor Dover, FAICP, principal and cofounder of town planning firm Dover, Kohl & Partners, speaks internationally on the topics of livable communities, sustainable development and how to fix cities, neighborhoods and towns. He has 25 years' experience implementing plans for livable, walkable and sustainable communities. His work across 22 states and five continents includes a range of environments: new neighborhoods, revitalizing traditional downtowns, transit-oriented development, retrofitting suburbia, and comprehensive city and regional plans.

Dover is the coauthor with John Massengale, AIA, of *Street Design: The Secret to Great Cities and Towns* (Wiley, January 2014) with foreword by HRH The Prince of Wales. Through more than 150 case studies and hundreds of photos of streets old and new, *Street Design* guides readers through what works and what doesn't, and reveals the secrets to designing beautiful, charming streets and walkable places where people want to be.

Dover cofounded Dover, Kohl & Partners in 1987 and is a Fellow of the American Institute of Certified Planners. His practice focuses on the creation of real neighborhoods as the basis for sound communities. The firm has won more than 25 awards including the 2010 John Nolen Medal for contributions to urbanism.

Dover, Kohl & Partners' work has been profiled in more than a dozen major textbooks on city planning including *The New Urbanism* by Peter Katz, *Community by Design* by Kenneth Hall, *Sustainable Urbanism* by Doug Farr, and *Retrofitting Suburbia* by Ellen Dunham-Jones and June Williamson. Work by Dover & Kohl has been published in *Southern Living*, *Urban Land*, *Metropolitan Home*, and featured on HGTV, National Public Radio, CNN's *Earthwatch*, and in *BusinessWeek* magazine.

Dover's signature projects include the nationally recognized neighborhoods of I'On in Mount Pleasant, South Carolina and Glenwood Park in Atlanta, Georgia, and the comprehensive plan for El Paso, Texas, hailed as "America's Best Smart Growth Plan." He is presently working on the *Seven50* plan, a regional plan covering the seven counties of Southeast Florida for the next 50 years.

Dover was national chair of the Congress for the New Urbanism (CNU) from 2010 –2012 and was the founding chair of the CNU Florida Chapter, the first of its kind. *Architecture* magazine called Dover among "the country's best urban designers and architects." He was a key player in the creation of the Form-Based Codes Institute and the National Charrette Institute, both leading think tanks for sustainable urbanism and community-based planning. He also served on the core committee setting sustainable urbanism certification standards for the U.S. Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design for Neighborhood Development (LEED-ND) rating system. He is a CNU-Accredited Professional.

Dover is also a bike commuter, veteran marathoner, and three-time Ironman triathlete. Traveling regularly, he uses training runs and bike rides to size up the cities he visits for their pedestrian-friendliness and effectiveness for cycling.

Travels from Miami.