

Governments and Neighbourhoods: Finding New Ways to Work Together
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Speakers' Biographies

Neil Bradford

Neil Bradford teaches Political Science and Public Policy at Huron University College at the University of Western Ontario, and was the 2004 Research Fellow in Cities and Communities with Canadian Policy Research Networks (CPRN) in Ottawa. He is the author of *Commissioning Ideas: Canadian National Policy Innovation in Comparative Perspective* (Oxford 1998), and chapters and articles in the fields of public policy, urban governance, and community development. He recently completed a series of urban and community policy Discussion Papers: *Why Cities Matter: Policy Research Perspectives for Canada* (2002); *Cities and Communities that Work: Innovative Practices, Enabling Policies* (2003); and *Place-based Public Policy: Towards a New Urban and Community Agenda for Canada* (2005). He also produces CPRN's monthly e-bulletin *Urban Nexus*.

Caryl Arundel

Caryl Arundel is a public policy/management consultant based in Toronto. She specializes in strategic planning, evaluation, organizational change, and public policy analysis and development for clients in the public and non-profits sectors. Her work is in the human services area with an emphasis on broad social policy, governance and intergovernmental relations, and the voluntary sector. With Hemson Consulting, Caryl completed *The Growing Income Gap*, a national study for the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (2003).

Caryl previously held a number of senior positions in the Municipality of Metropolitan Toronto, Community Services Department as Director of Social Development, Director of Housing, Manager of Children's Services (Toronto and Etobicoke) and as Special Assistant in the Chairman's Office. Caryl also worked at the City of York and in the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea in London, England. Caryl was co-chair of the very successful Toronto 2003 IPAC Conference in August 2003 and represents the Toronto Group of IPAC on the National Board of Directors of the Institute of Public Administration of Canada and is a member of the Research Committee. She teaches part time at Ryerson University.

Caryl has a BA from University of Toronto, an MSc from the London School of Economics and an MPA from Queens University, School of Policy Studies.

Sue Hunter

Sue Hunter has worked with children, their families and those who work with children and families for more than 25 years. Her career path demonstrates her commitment to the well being of children and families and the staff who work with them. Sue has worked as a child care centre director, for both the provincial and local governments and she served as the Executive Director of Toronto Child Abuse Centre from August 1997 until August 2003. Sue is now the principal of Hunter Consultants. As a consultant, Sue has facilitated many conferences, strategic planning sessions and workshops. Sue is an award winning adult educator and trainer.

Robbin Tourangeau

Robbin Tourangeau has recently joined the team at Imagine Canada. Imagine Canada advances knowledge and relationships to foster effective and sustainable charitable and nonprofit organizations. Robbin is Vice-President, Public Policy and Government Relations

Over the last nine years, she has worked as a policy advisor on social, urban and community issues to a number of non-governmental organizations and government departments. In this capacity, she has developed expertise in policy development and advocacy from both within and outside government. She has served as a senior policy advisor in the Office of the Prime Minister, as a senior policy analyst responsible for social and municipal/Aboriginal policy at the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, and as executive director, public policy, at EKOS Research. Of the many public policy files she has worked on, helping to develop, launch, and build the Supporting Communities Partnership Initiative as part of the federal government's response to homelessness has been the most rewarding.

Marilyn Renwick

Marilyn Renwick has been a public servant for more than 30 years. She has worked for the Ministries of Correctional Services, Community and Social Services and Children and Youth Services.

Currently Marilyn is the regional director for the Ministry of Community and Social Services and the Ministry of Children and Youth Services for the City of Toronto. She has been the provincial representative on the Strong Neighbourhoods Task Force and a member of the Children's Working Group subgroup of the Mayor's Roundtable on Children and Youth. She also currently sits on the Intergovernmental Coordinating Committee for the Revitalization of Regent Park.

Marilyn is a fifth generation Torontonians.

Amanuel Melles

Amanuel Melles is the director for the Organizational Capacity Building team at United Way of Greater Toronto. He brings extensive expertise and experience from various management and volunteer positions in the settlement, community health and social service sectors. Amanuel co-chairs the Toronto Civic Panel on Inclusive Cities Canada and is a member of the Toronto Community Foundation's Council of Hundred.