

Richard Recker

Richard Recker is the interim Executive Director of Portland Advantage Communities – a new initiative, making it's national debut in Portland in conjunction with the Portland Timbers MLS inaugural season.

Richard Recker assumed this role as a project of a consulting company called The Epiphany Projects, supporting organizations in their pursuit of sustainable community development.

Sustainable community development is a theme that traces through Mr. Recker's entire personal and professional experience – in areas of Energy, Natural Resources, Forestry and Forest Products Marketing, and – in many different applications in Education.

Most recently, Mr. Recker served as an experimental Development Director at Roosevelt HS, leading to completion of the St. Johns Theodore Roosevelt Athletic Complex, and significant institutional in-kind relationships with SouthLake Church and the University of Portland. The Development Plan resulted in nearly \$10 million in value added cash and in-kind commitments to the school over a 3-year period.

Prior work in promoting sustainable community development included:

- Chapman Elementary School Foundation [volunteer]
- Northwest Conservation and Power Planning Council
- Sustainable Forestry Partnership – A MacArthur Foundation program at Oregon State University
- Sustainable Northwest [founder]
- Northwest Electric Light and Power Association