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### RIBA-USA Chapters:

New York, New England, Chicago, Phoenix, Los Angeles, San Francisco Bay Area, Washington DC, Philadelphia

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## Vision

The Americas regional operation of the Royal Institute of British Architects that has helped establish the pivotal role played by the architecture profession in improving the measurable social, economic and environmental impact of built environments by supporting the profession's design work, collaboration with, and direct involvement in, policy-making, research and professional practice.

## Mission

Leveraging the world-class design work of RIBA Chartered Members in shaping—and extending the life of—built environments and assimilated natural landscapes, RIBA Americas' primary mission is to conduct programs that focus the attention of leaders in public and private sectors on architecture's decisive role in:

- a) improving social, economic and environmental outcomes, and
- b) enabling more people and future generations from all walks of life and cultures to experience healthier, more active and fulfilled lives through the design of the man-made and natural physical settings they inhabit.

## Core Values

- The practice of architecture is a professional endeavor directly impacting the lives and wellbeing of millions.
- We are committed to strengthening research that examines:
  - a) the complex interplays among wellbeing, behavior, public policy, built environments and designed landscapes, all of which drive significant aspects of social capital and economic performance
  - b) methods, technologies, materials and management approaches that result in higher quality, more durable, more efficient and healthier built environments
- Celebrate and disseminate the work of RIBA Chartered Members living and working in The Americas
- Communicate the value that the profession of architecture brings to peoples' lives
- Occupy a leading role with other professional organizations in the global recognition, accreditation and professional standards of RIBA Part III Chartered Architects