

# Bridgit Van Belleghem, AICP

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## HIGHLIGHTS

- | Origins in advocacy and grass root organizing
- | Long-range community strategist and planner
- | Senior level project management and analytical skills
- | Advanced community engagement, public relations, and fund development
- | Proven facilitator and consensus builder

## EDUCATION

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| 2007 | University of Wisconsin-Madison, M.S., Urban & Regional Planning         | Madison, WI |
| 2005 | University of California-Davis, B.S., Environmental Biology & Management | Davis, CA   |

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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| 2016 | Principal Consultant, BVB Consulting LLC <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>  Authored the <i>Marin Shoreline Sea Level Rise Vulnerability Assessment</i> based on my research with professional Marin County service providers, municipal representatives, elected officials, and United States Geological Survey geographic information systems (GIS) data.</li><li>  Complete the <i>Coastal Marin Sea Level Rise Vulnerability Assessment</i>.</li><li>  Project management, including client relations, RFPs, task development, budgeting, performance tracking, hiring sub contractors.</li></ul> |
| 2014 | Planner, Marin County Community Development Agency <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>  Authored the <i>Marin Coast Sea Level Rise Vulnerability Assessment</i> based on my research with professional Marin County service providers, municipal representatives, and elected officials, and United States Geological Survey geographic information systems (GIS) data.</li><li>  Lead public participation and evaluation across four workshops, including creating the award-winning "Game of Floods."</li><li>  Revised the <i>Streamside Development Guide</i> using stakeholder input.</li></ul>   |
| 2011 | Senior Community Planner, Capital Area Regional Planning Commission <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>  Managed Future Urban Development Area planning projects, including planning studies, existing conditions reports, and community engagement.</li><li>  Assisted in establishing the Sustainable Communities Partnership (40+ entities) for advancing equitable, sustainable, and healthy communities.</li><li>  Chaired and staffed farmland, equity, sustainable development, and air quality/greenhouse gas work groups.</li></ul>  |
| 2008 | Community Planner, Capital Area Regional Planning Commission <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>  Authored annual reports and e-newsletters.</li></ul>  |

- | Chaired and staffed farmland loss mitigation work group and published Farmland Loss Mitigation white paper 1, *Farmland loss in Dane County, WI*.
  - | Created program to, developed, and analyzed agricultural crop type geographic information systems database.
- 2007      Consultant, UW Environmental Behavior Consulting
- | Managed creation of *Phosphorus Free for Lake Ripley Community Based Social Marketing Program* to aid the water district board in pollution prevention.
- 2006      Research Assistant, UW Extension Environmental Resource Center
- | Survey development and computer programming to analyze data gathered from Land and Water resource educators.
- 2006      Planning Analyst III, University of Wisconsin Planning Group
- | Team leader for developing the Norwalk Economic Development and Housing Strategic Plan.
  - | Client relations and public engagement lead for events with 50+ attendees.
- 2006      Assistant Administrator, Wisconsin Comprehensive Planning Program
- | Completed grant policy manual and assisted at grant application workshops.
  - | Performed statutory review of 100+ municipal comprehensive plans.
  - | Managed Access database of plans and created online plan library.
- 2004      Researcher, UC Davis, Environmental Science and Policy Department
- | Report writing and research including literature review, interviews, and case studies on smart growth policies in California's Central Valley.
- 2003      Statewide & Campus Coordinator, CA Student Sustainability Coalition
- | Representative to the University of California (UC) Regents and President.
  - | Developed organizational framework and decision-making protocols.
  - | Coordinated 10 UC campuses via conference calls, file sharing, and conferences to execute green buildings & clean energy, mobility, procurement, and food campaigns to change UC policy and practices.
  - | Led work group to develop an office of sustainability (established 2008).

## CERTIFICATES

- 2013      American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP) Certification, American Planning Association
- 2012      Racial Justice Certificate, YWCA Dane County
- 2008      Facilitation By Heart Certificate, University of Wisconsin Continuing Studies
- 2007      Accredited Professional Legacy, LEED® | US Green Building Council

## GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, & AWARDS

County of Marin, CA Community Development Agency

- 2017      Award of Excellence Gold for Public Outreach, Game of Floods, American Planning Association
- 2016      Award of Excellence for Public Outreach, Game of Floods, CA American Planning Association
- 2016      Innovation Recognition Award Winner, Game of Floods, County of Marin
- 2016      Merit Award, Game of Floods, California State Association of Counties

#### Capital Area Regional Planning Commission

- 2013 Award of Excellence for Innovative Planning Tool, Create-a-Neighborhood community indicator planning tool, WI American Planning Association
- 2011 Sustainable Communities Planning Grant, \$2 million, US Housing and Urban Development
- 2010 Agricultural Preservation Grant, \$30,000, WI Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection

#### University of Wisconsin

- 2005 Advanced Opportunity Fellowship. University of Wisconsin-Madison

#### University of California Davis

- 2004 Undergraduate Research Summer Fellowship. \$1,000. UC Davis.
- 2003 Ronald E. McNair Scholar

### **EXTRACURRICULAR**

- 2017 Kidder Fellow, Institute for Global Ethics
- 2016 Board Member, Common Wealth Development Board

### **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

- | Geographic Information Systems (GIS) data development and analysis
- | Adobe Creative Suite
- | Microsoft Office, Microsoft Access
- | Digital media and communication platforms
- | Web content development