

# Relocalize.net group profiles

## CENTRAL OHIO RELOCALIZATION EFFORT

Columbus, OH



Active since: January, 2006  
Joined the Network: January, 2006

### Website:

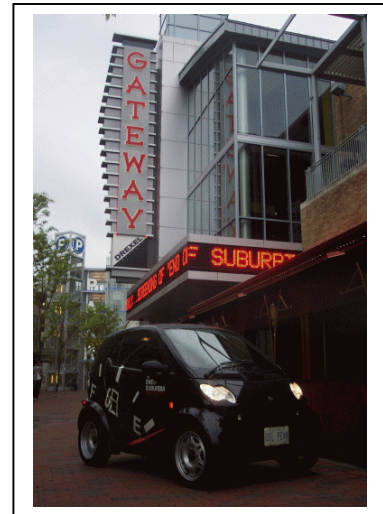
<http://www.relocalize.net/groups/columbus>

### Group Coordinator:

Anita Laurin

### Group Advisor:

Professor Seppo Korpela<sup>1</sup>



*End of Suburbia Producer  
Barry Silverthorn featured at  
local theater - May, 2006*

## 1. What has been the focus of your group this year? What activities and projects has your group been concentrating on?

### EVENTS

We have sponsored or co-sponsored 7 events - six filming showings and one presentation called "Update from Italy" with member of ASPO - USA's Advisory Board, Professor Korpela. The photo of Barry Silverthorn's car was taken at a commercial showing of the End of Suburbia that our group sponsored. He was present to answer questions. Three of these events were promoted to media and press packets were prepared.

### MEETINGS

- Reserved a meeting room at 2231 N High for 2nd Monday of each month and held 10 Central Ohio Relocalization meetings in past year.
- Met with Upper Arlington City Manager, Virginia Barney

### CAMPAIGNS

Launched two promotional campaigns - one for Ohio Hub (rail system) and one for COTA's 2006 bus levy that passed.

## **EDUCATIONAL AND PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS**

- Updated and distributed Post Carbon Institute's Relocalization Manual (with permission)
- Prepared and distributed programs for End of Suburbia showings
- Prepared and distributed a "Conservation Checklist" designed to help citizens prepare for an energy-constrained future
- Prepared brochure for Central Ohio Relocalization Effort
- Prepared and distributed announcements regarding our group's formation
- Located both the Community Supported Agriculture farmers and Farmer's Markets in Central Ohio and distributed the information<sup>ii</sup>.
- Compiled a comparison of Mayor's Climate Change Agreements and Peak Oil Resolutions that was published on Energy Bulletin<sup>iii</sup>.
- Compiled two-page chart demonstrating relationship between global warming, peak oil and population.<sup>iv</sup>

## **OTHER**

We purchased multiple DVD's and started a group library. Now we are working with representatives from different groups in our community on getting the City of Columbus to pass a Peak Oil Resolution.

## **2. What kinds of support and services would you find helpful for the Relocalization Network to provide for Local Groups?**

Publish Relocalize Now.

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<sup>i</sup> Professor Korpela is also on the Advisory Board of the Association for the Study of Peak Oil - USA.

Here is his bio: [http://www.relocalize.net/files/Bio\\_SeppoKorpela.pdf](http://www.relocalize.net/files/Bio_SeppoKorpela.pdf)

<sup>ii</sup> [http://www.relocalize.net/files/LocalFood\\_CentraOH.pdf](http://www.relocalize.net/files/LocalFood_CentraOH.pdf) and

[http://www.postcarbon.org/files/CentralOhioFarmer%27sMarkets\\_0.pdf](http://www.postcarbon.org/files/CentralOhioFarmer%27sMarkets_0.pdf)

<sup>iii</sup> [http://www.relocalize.net/files/MayorClimateAgreement\\_PeakOilResolution.pdf](http://www.relocalize.net/files/MayorClimateAgreement_PeakOilResolution.pdf)

<sup>iv</sup> <http://www.relocalize.net/files/EnergyandPopulation.pdf>