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Katie Swenson oversees Enterprise's elite fellowship programs, which inspire the next generation of affordable housing professionals through hands-on experience and high-impact projects. Since 2006, Katie has directed Enterprise's Frederick P. Rose Architectural Fellowship, bringing first-rate design and green building assistance to community development organizations around the country.

Prior to joining Enterprise, Katie was founder and executive director of the Charlottesville Community Design Center (CCDC) in Virginia. Under her leadership, CCDC partnered with Habitat for Humanity of Greater Charlottesville to create an international design competition for multifamily housing. She also led the organization in producing the first ever Charlottesville Neighborhood Design Day, and partnered with PHA on a modular pilot project for affordable, sustainable residential units.

Katie credits her success to the knowledge, experience and connections she gained as a Rose Fellow, working with the Piedmont Housing Alliance in Charlottesville. There she led the design and construction of the 10th and Page Street Neighborhood Revitalization Project, a milestone project that created 30 new and restored affordable homes in a rapidly changing neighborhood.

In 2009, Katie published "*Growing Urban Habitats: Seeking a New Housing Development Model*," co-authored with William Morrish and Susanne Schindler. Other works include "*Louisiana Speaks Pattern Book: Green Building Guidelines*," "*Growing Urban Habitats*," an essay in "*Expanding Architecture: Design as Activism*," and two chapters in the forthcoming "*Activist Architecture: Philosophy and Practice of the Community Design Center*." Her work has been cited in trade and popular publications, including *Metropolis*, *Metropolitan Home*, *Architecture*, *L'Architecture Au Jourdhui* and *Family Circle*.

Katie's awards include the EPA Energy Star Award, the Eldon Field Woods Design Professional of the Year Award, the Commonwealth Environmental Leadership Award and the Sara McArthur Nix Fellowship for Travel and Research in France.

She received her bachelor's degree from the University of California, Berkeley, and her master's in architecture from the University of Virginia.

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