

Dear Task Force:

What is Analytic Deliberation? Over the past few meetings, some of you have shared how valuable the task force's group experience has been to you in learning about sustainability. Indeed, your group process is formally called analytic deliberation –where groups analyze, discuss and try to persuade each other on various topics of mutual interest.

Your Task Force Experience is Important! Some of the leading thinkers in sustainability have said that best practices for analytic deliberation are essential to promote grass roots development of sustainability programs. To develop such a best practice guide that can be used in other cities, UCD researchers would like to study analytic deliberation as it unfolds here in the Broomfield task force discussions.

To do this, we seek to administer a short survey to you before and after the task force discussions on sustainability policy and programs for Broomfield.

What is in the Survey? The survey will first ask your opinion on a broad range of policy options that have been adopted in various cities. It will then ask what factors are important to you in making policy recommendations suitable for Broomfield. Lastly, we will ask what content areas you would like to know more about to help you in making recommendations.

How will we Follow Up? We will be asking the same set of questions before and after your Task Force Discussions. We will also interview you briefly at the end of this process to learn how analysis and deliberation in the task force impacted the group outcome.

Your Participation is very important to the success of this study – please follow this link to take this survey before you come to the next Task Force Meeting.

Your Feedback: We really value the time and talents of this group. If you have any concerns in taking this survey or participating in this study, please contact us immediately.

Voluntary and Anonymous: As always, your participation is voluntary and your responses are completely anonymous.

Thank you for including us in your community's decision-making process. It is an honor and a privilege to be a part of these discussions. Please know that we are learning continuously, and are open to all suggestions on improving this survey and this study.