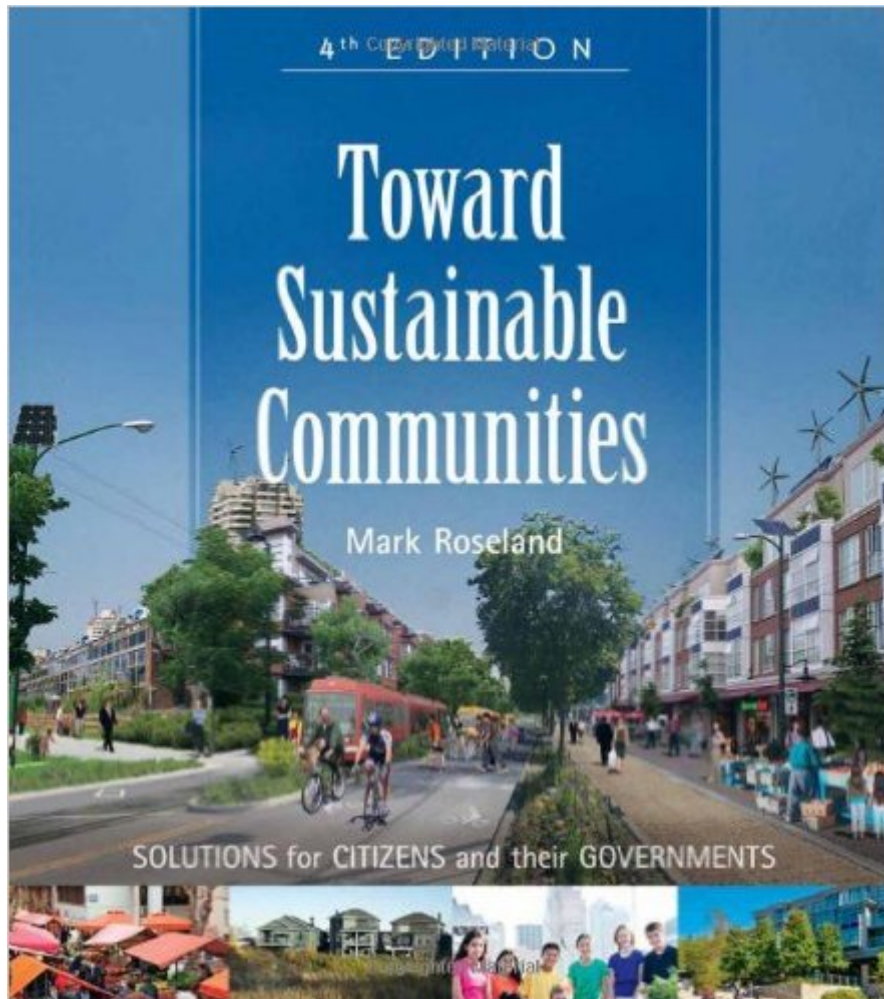


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I use this text for teaching masters of public administration students coursework on managing sustainable communities. This edition provides valuable updates and developments. The material is organized well and the text is accessibly written, furnishing many concrete tools for analysis and application. My only recommendation is for a bit further refinement of conceptual material in Ch. 3.

This is an inspiring, informative book. It is easy to read, practical and logical. I would recommend it on a professional and personal level. Alongside it's partner website, this book provides up to date, thorough explanations of how we can work together in communities to become sustainable.

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