BIOGRAPHY
Tracy Huggins
Executive Director, Denver Urban Renewal Authority

Tracy Huggins is executive director of the Denver Urban Renewal Authority (DURA), a full-service redevelopment agency engaged in neighborhood and downtown revitalization, economic development, home ownership and housing rehabilitation throughout the City and County of Denver. Under her leadership, DURA plays a role in many of the city's most important redevelopment efforts, and also helps revitalize neighborhoods through a variety of housing rehabilitation programs for low- and moderate-income homeowners.

At DURA, Huggins directs the agency's involvement in redevelopment efforts with combined DURA financing of $550 million. Among those projects are redevelopment of the former Stapleton International Airport and the former St. Luke's Hospital complex.

In addition to redevelopment projects, Huggins also manages DURA's housing rehabilitation programs, which the authority administers for the city's Planning and Community Development Agency. DURA is also partnering with the City and County of Denver to implement the Neighborhood Stabilization Program to purchase, rehabilitate and resell foreclosed homes in distress Denver neighborhoods.

Since joining DURA in October 1992, Huggins has overseen the agency's financial involvement in a number of significant redevelopment efforts, including the Denver Pavilions entertainment/retail center and adjacent Adam's Mark Hotel, the historic Denver Dry Building and the REI Denver flagship store.

Huggins, who is a certified public accountant, came to DURA from Strait-Kushinsky, a Denver public accounting firm. She is on the boards of directors of the Denver Housing Authority, Colorado Community Revitalization Association, Colorado I Have a Dream Foundation, 9 Health Fair Finance Committee and is a 2001 graduate of the Harvard University John F. Kennedy School of Government Program for Senior Executives in State and Local Government. She also is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, the Colorado Society of Certified Public Accountants, the Urban Land Institute and the Council for Urban Economic Development.

Huggins earned a Bachelor of Science degree in business administration from the University of Montana. She is married and has three children.

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