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Group meets to talk about smart growth

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A Triangle group says communities that limit growth could be creating what they call a "new segregation."

Members of the Triangle Community Coalition met in Morrisville Thursday to talk about what's commonly known as "smart growth."



Members of the TCC met Thursday.

The group wants to promote growth that has a positive effect on poor and minority communities.

"Basically it's bringing both sides together," said Braxton Jones, Chairman of the Triangle Community Coalition, "meaning the people who are impacted by growth, that would be your neighborhoods, your municipalities, your transportation; bringing those together with elected officials and helping to craft a policy that both sides can live with."

The group says that policies aimed at restricted or "smart" growth end up raising mortgage rates and push the disadvantaged from housing markets.

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