

### **Biography: Matt Josephs**

Matt Josephs is the Senior Vice President for Policy for The Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC). LISC is a national non-profit organization that provides financial investments, policy support, and technical and management experience to local community development organizations to help them to transform distressed neighborhoods into healthy and sustainable communities. As the SVP for Policy, Matt is responsible for developing LISC's federal policy agenda; communicating this agenda to LISC employees, board members, funders, and other stakeholders; and pursuing this agenda through engagement with members of Congress and other Federal officials.

Matt joined LISC in March of 2012 after serving for 13 years at the Treasury Department's Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFI) Fund -- most recently as Senior Advisor for Policy, where he was responsible for coordinating policy development and implementation across the CDFI Fund's programs, as well as planning and implementing new initiatives and interagency partnerships. Matt also served for six years as the Program Manager of the New Markets Tax Credit (NMTC) Program, which to date has facilitated over \$130 billion of private sector investments into businesses and real estate projects in the nations' most distressed rural and urban communities.

Prior to joining the CDFI Fund, Matt served as professional staff for the Senate Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs, where his portfolio of issues included public and assisted housing programs, homeless programs, FHA insurance, and HUD reform. Matt also served as a policy analyst with the Department of Housing and Urban Development's office of Public and Indian Housing.

Matt received a BA in Political Science from Emory University, and a Masters in Public Policy from the University of California at Berkeley.