

TRAINING FOR THE NFP SECTOR

Stewart Lawler, B. App. Sc. (Build), Master Land Economy, GCHSM.

Stewart commenced his career on-site in construction and project management then moved into property development as a consultant on various projects, including Project Director for the redevelopment of St Vincent's Hospital Sydney, Development Manager for the John Maddison Tower for NSW Courts and the new Head office for the NSW Department of Agriculture at Orange. Other roles have included Development Manager for the Treadstone Company and development consultancy services for Knight Frank. Over the past 10 years Stewart has delivered many projects as consultant Design Development Manager for Energy Australia, NSW Dept. of Lands Trust at Macquarie Park Cemetery and NSW Dept. Sports and Recreation.

Since 2005 Stewart has been training the NFP sector in conjunction with University of Sydney, University of Western Sydney and NSW Federation of Housing Associations. This included the mentoring program undertaken as part of the DoH Community Sector Capacity Building program.

This has also involved Stewart in part time lecturing and the Lead Trainer role on 3 and 5 day AH courses compiled by UWS for the NFP sector. These courses are specifically designed to train and skill NFP staff in AH and Property Development. This work included preparing guidelines for the NSWFHA Development Resources Bank in conjunction with UWS and the Association.

Stewart is currently undertaking a PhD researching the factors which affect the efficient delivery of AH and training methods to increase the internal development and operational capacity in NFP Community Housing groups.

Stewart is available to assist NFP organisations with training and mentoring of internal personnel involved with property development. This would involve independent assistance, and if necessary hands-on management, with development or construction issues or problems. Such issues could involve assessment of project feasibilities, probity matters involved in calling and letting construction contracts, options for procurement, evaluation of construction risk and assistance with managing the development team and if necessary external consultants.

Stewart Lawler can be contacted directly to discuss training or mentoring on 0414 909 900.