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Derek Okubo is the Senior Vice President of the National Civic League. In this capacity, Derek oversees all operations and programs out of the National Headquarters in Denver. He continues to deliver extensive technical assistance for local and state governments, school districts and communities.

Derek has been a part of or led over 70 community-planning processes around the United States. He also facilitates strategic plans with organizations, most recently with the International City/County Management Association. In 2005, Derek traveled throughout Israel at the request of the U.S. State Department to help communities with their local efforts.

Derek is the primary author of a number of National Civic League publications including the *Community Visioning and Strategic Planning Handbook* and the *Civic Index* - a self-assessment tool for communities to measure their civic infrastructure. He also facilitated the process and assisted in the writing of the eighth revision of the Model City Charter.