

2019 League Spring Sustainability Conference

June 11, 2019
Toftrees Resort

Welcome

9:00 AM - 9:15 AM

Recycling: Best Practices

Speakers: Pam Adams, *Refuse and Recycling Administrator, Centre Region Council of Governments*

Alex Danovich, *Pennsylvania Resource Council*

Learn about the current state of recycling and the opportunity municipalities have to address problems and move forward with impactful programs. Discover best practices communities are taking to address recycling issues in terms of contracting, education, program design, and cost. This session will provide insight on how to weather market fluctuations and improve collection rates.

9:15 AM - 10:15 AM

Eco Districts

Speakers: Naomi Cole, *Director of Certification and Innovation, EcoDistricts*

Renee Garrels, *Program Manager, EcoDistricts*

Brionté McCorkle, *Director of Engagement, EcoDistricts*

10:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Driving PA Forward

Speaker: Geoff Bristow, *Regional Energy Manager, Department of Environmental Protection*

A discussion of strategies and incentives available to assist municipalities that wish to provide Electric Vehicle charging. Will focus on the use of VW Settlement funds through the Driving PA Forward program and highlighting municipal projects using these funds.

11:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Lunch

Speaker: Jim Price, *Sustainable Community Manager, Sustainable Pittsburgh*

12:30 PM - 1:30 PM

Parks and Rec - Creating a Sustainability

Task Force

Speaker: Jason Lang, *Director of Parks and Recreation, East Goshen Township*

1:45 PM - 2:45 PM

Leading by Example: Municipal Action on Climate

Speaker: Heidi J. Kunka, *LEED AP BD+C, Energy Program Specialist, Department of Environmental Protection*

David Pribulka, *Township Manager, Ferguson Township*

The 2018 PA Climate Action Plan calls on all leaders in state and local government to take steps to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and adapt to changing conditions. In this session, the PA Department of Environmental Protection will provide an overview of the 2018 Climate Action Plan, including PA-specific impacts and emissions, as well as recommended strategies and actions. Ferguson Township will then share their story of why & how they began to take action on climate change, including a township resolution, the creation of a greenhouse gas inventory, and development of a climate action plan. Finally, we will dedicate time for attending municipalities to provide feedback on how PADEP can best shape a climate change assistance program for local governments.

2:45 PM - 4:00 PM