

Northern New Jersey Networking Forum Speaker Bios & Resource Providers

Andrew Cangiano, Councilman and Green Team Member, Mount Arlington Borough, Bronze Certified Community

Professionally Mr. Cangiano is a Licensed Engineer, specializing in civil engineering and land use planning. Mr. Cangiano has a strong sense of community and serves on the Board of Trustees for the Lake Rogerene Civic Association, is a Cub Scout leader for Mt Arlington Pack 60, serves as a Mt. Arlington Borough Councilman and chairs the Mount Arlington Green Team also known as the of the Mount Arlington Green Initiative Committee or (M.A.G.I.C).

Cynthia Steffens, Chair of Chatham Borough Green Initiatives Committee, Chatham Borough, Silver Certified Community

As Chair of the Chatham Borough Green Initiatives Committee, Cindy Steffens coordinated Chatham Borough's 2010 submission to Sustainable Jersey, which resulted in bronze certification with 225 points, as well as the 2012 submission, which totaled 410 points and resulted in silver certification for Chatham Borough. Cindy grew up in Chatham Borough and has lived there for over 20 years. In addition to sustainability, she has a passion for international understanding, has lived in Russia, the Czech Republic and Canada, and is a professional instructor of English as a Second Language to students from countries around the world. A recent award nomination said in part that, "Cindy is not only a visionary, she is a roll-up-your-sleeves worker, whose passion, dedication and commitment sets the bar for other volunteers in the Borough. By working, sometimes into the wee hours of the morning, she transformed the work of the Green Initiatives Committee into meaningful, measurable actions for Chatham Borough."

RJ Donnelly, United States Green Building Council - NJ (USGBC) & Donnelly Energy Solutions

RJ Donnelly began his career in commercial real estate development and then spent six years as a Project Manager for many of Donnelly Construction's high profile clients (including LEED projects). In 2008, he created Donnelly Energy to meet his customer's increasing demands for energy-efficient, environmentally-friendly buildings. RJ is now focused on business development and the day to day operations of Donnelly Industries, Inc. In 2010, RJ was elected to the Board of Directors of the US Green Building Council, New Jersey Chapter and he now serves as Treasurer. He is a LEED AP BD+C and Carbon Reduction Manager. RJ graduated from Villanova University in 2002 with a double major in Spanish and Economics and he is currently enrolled in the Owners/President's Management Program at Harvard Business School.

Association of New Jersey Environmental Commission (ANJEC)

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The Association of NJ Environmental Commissions supports local government efforts to protect the environment through sustainable land use, natural resource conservation and environmental stewardship. We strive to support, lead and inspire our membership of municipal environmental commissions, green teams and open space committees by offering training, news and information, tools and resources, legislative and regulatory advocacy, and a like-minded community of environmental champions. The ANJEC Resource Center staff is eager to help, with extensive knowledge and expertise plus a voluminous library of books, reference files, sample ordinances, ERIs and land use plans.

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The Donnelly Energy division was launched in 2008 to meet our client's increasing demand for renewable energy installations and more efficient buildings. Be it new construction, renovations, retrofits, or upgrades, we've assembled a highly skilled and professional staff who will take each energy project from concept to completion. The Donnelly Energy Team is absolutely obsessed with finding and implementing the most cost-effective, energy-saving techniques and installations for our clients. We'll even provide the financing. Donnelly Energy Solutions commitment to a sustainable future impacts every facet of our organization. Through responsible environmental design and construction, our objective is to provide the products, services and best practices available to help reduce our footprint on the planet.

GreenFaith

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GreenFaith is an interfaith coalition for the environment that was founded in 1992. We work with houses of worship, religious schools and people of all faiths to help them become better environmental stewards. We offer a range of educational, advocacy and leadership programs. We believe in addressing environmental issues holistically, and are committed to being a one-stop shop for the resources and tools religious institutions need to engage environmental issues and become religious-environmental leaders. We believe that our consumption habits can help heal and restore the earth. From energy and transportation, to food, water, and other areas, religious institutions and their members use a lot of resources - and therefore have many opportunities to lessen their impact on the environment.

GreenFaith regularly seeks financing for faith-based and nonprofit sites to "go solar" through Power Purchase Agreements, Lease-to-Own programs, and other means. We seek to combine public rebates and subsidies with private financing to enable these facilities to enjoy a zero-cost solar installation and overall electricity savings. GreenFaith is also pleased to announce our Residential Solar Campaign. Through the Campaign, eligible New Jersey homeowners can have a solar array installed at no cost and enjoy overall savings on their electric costs.

The Land Conservancy of New Jersey

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Founded in 1981, The Land Conservancy of New Jersey is a member supported non-profit organization dedicated to preserving and permanently protecting open space land and water resources in northern New Jersey. Our mission is accomplished through our Land Preservation, Stewardship, and Education programs.

The Land Conservancy has preserved over 19,500 acres of land and has helped towns receive more than \$220 million in grants to purchase and protect land throughout the state. We have worked with more than 89 municipalities in 13 counties, impacting over half of New Jersey's counties and benefiting millions of residents throughout the state. Our programs are made possible through the generous support of our members, corporate partners, and local foundations. 85 cents of every dollar raised by The Land Conservancy directly supports our programs. In 2009, The Land Conservancy of New Jersey became the first land trust in the state to receive accreditation from The Land Trust Accreditation Commission. As an accredited Land Trust, we perform our work at the highest professional and ethical standards, helping to secure a sustainable future for New Jersey.

Lime Energy

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Lime Energy is the exclusive provider for Hudson, Essex, Bergen and Passaic counties in one of the state's most wide-ranging Demand Side Management programs ever. The region Lime services consist of approximately 25% of the state's population. Since the program's inception Lime has installed over 1000 projects for the program with savings in excess of \$2M. Our wide range of customers include municipalities, schools, correctional institutions, churches, office buildings, warehouses and retail locations throughout our assigned territories. Lime also is the preferred contractor for nine other Small Business Utility Programs in the North East.

The New Jersey Direct Install program offers a 70% incentive for qualifying customers. The program is designed for the hard to reach small to medium commercial and industrial market serving customers with an average monthly demand of less than 200 kW. Lime identifies all opportunities for cost effective energy lighting retrofits and HVAC replacement with high efficiency alternatives. All energy assessments are free of charge and with no obligation. Let us help you become more energy efficient for years to come.

New Jersey Board of Public Utilities, Clean Energy Program

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Sponsored by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities, New Jersey's Clean Energy Program is a statewide program that offers financial incentives, programs and services for New Jersey residents, business owners and local governments to help them save energy, money and the environment. The Program covers high efficiency lighting, HVAC, appliances and other technologies used in both residential and commercial building applications, and includes paths for new construction as well as retrofit of existing facilities.

The New Jersey Community Forestry Program

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The New Jersey Community Forestry Program is a unique partnership between government, business, and volunteers caring for trees where people live, work, and play. Under the authority provided by the State legislature within the Community Forestry Assistance Act, the program encourages, promotes, and assists cities and towns in the establishment, retention, and enhancement of trees and forest resources.

The Community Forestry program is dedicated to making communities more livable by providing grants, technical assistance, training, and volunteer opportunities. The program continues to seek leading edge opportunities and innovative initiatives to build a sustainable statewide effort to manage local publicly owned trees and forest. Through the use of Federal urban and community forestry funding, the goal of having a statewide community forestry initiative is ensuing.

Rutgers Cooperative Extension

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Our mission is to provide support to the citizens, community groups, and local officials on water resource and environmental issues. Rutgers Cooperative Extension's Environmental and Resource Management program was created to provide technical expertise in environmental issues at the local level. Initially, the focus of outreach and education efforts will be water resource issues such as: storm water management, water conservation, protection of local waterways, and low impact development. The Environmental and Resource Management Agent provides support through education, research, and outreach.

TransOptions

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TransOptions is one of eight Transportation Management Associations (TMAs) in New Jersey. The TMAs are tasked with implementing strategies and programs that address traffic congestion, economic development, air quality and livability issues. As a transportation-oriented non-profit, TransOptions delivers programs and services that improve mobility, the environment and overall quality of life in northwest New Jersey. TransOptions provides commute options such as carpooling, vanpooling, mass transit, biking and walking. We also offer a variety of programs for employers and employees, as well as safety programs for bicyclists, pedestrians and teen drivers, and programs in environmental education and sustainability.

United States Green Building Council - NJ (USGBC)

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USGBC's Chapter mission is to be NJ's foremost leader promoting, advocating, and providing tools and education for the planning, design, construction, operation and maintenance of high performance buildings and communities that are environmentally responsible, resilient, cost effective, productive, and healthy places to live, learn and work.

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) – Region 2

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EPA was established on December 2, 1970 to consolidate in one agency a variety of federal research, monitoring, standard-setting and enforcement activities to ensure environmental protection. Since its inception, EPA has been working for a cleaner, healthier environment for the American people. EPA serves as an "umbrella agency" through which most federal environmental laws, regulations, and policies would be administered. The mission of EPA is to protect human health and the environment. To

accomplish this mission, EPA: give grants, study/research and monitor environmental issues, oversees Superfund cleanups, sponsor partnerships, teach people about the environment and publish information among many other activities.

EPA has ten regional offices, each of which is responsible for several states and territories. EPA Region 2 (R2) is responsible for the states of New Jersey, New York and U.S. territories of Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Some of the programs/initiatives R2 offers are: Energy Star, Environmentally Preferable Purchasing, Green Buildings, Green Chemistry, Green Engineering, Green Products, Green Suppliers Network, Greening Electronics, Greening Hospitals, Greening Schools, GreenScapes, Pesticide, Recycling, Waste Minimization, WaterSense, Sustainable Communities, Education & Outreach Programs, Food Waste, Geographic Information Tools and many other initiatives. Some of these initiatives offer grants.

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