



Congratulations and Thank You to Winnie Fatton

Sustainable Jersey wishes Winnie Fatton a fabulous retirement. Winnie has been a vital member of the Sustainable Jersey staff since the first day the program launched in 2009. Randall Solomon, executive director of Sustainable Jersey said, "It was a privilege to work with Winnie Fatton and share with her in the growth of this amazing organization and movement." Her steady, wise counsel and infectious laugh will be greatly missed. As a program manager, she organized the trainings and workshops, supported a number of Sustainable Jersey Task Forces, including Animals in the Community, Arts and Creative Culture, Diversity and Equity, and mentored numerous towns applying for certification for the first time. Winnie made everyone feel welcome in the Sustainable Jersey family and enjoyed meeting green team members at Sustainable Jersey's Annual Luncheon.



Last week as Winnie served her last day in the office, she reflected on the progress she has seen over the years, "When I speak with people today, the word "sustainable" is a common term now, which was certainly not the case when I started here." She added that she hopes the sustainability movement will focus on the next generation; she said, "I place my hope in the children who will be our new leaders. We need to work in the schools to educate students about sustainability." [READ MORE.](#)

Wanted: Innovative NJ Sustainable Energy Projects



The Gardinier Environmental Fund is contributing \$150,000 to support a Sustainable Jersey Small Grants Program cycle for both [municipalities](#) and [school districts](#). For this cycle, the Gardinier Environmental Fund will fund energy projects focused on energy conservation, energy efficiency, and renewable energy.

To learn more about eligibility requirements for municipalities, click [HERE](#). To learn more about eligibility requirements for school districts, click [HERE](#).

This cycle will award:

- Two (2): \$30,000 grants
- Five (9): \$10,000 grants

[Application Deadline:](#) Tuesday, October 31, 2017 at 11:59pm

Informational Webinar

An informational webinar will be held to learn more about the application process, online submission procedures, eligible projects, and tips for a successful small grant application.

Tuesday, September 19, 2017, 3:00pm - 4:00pm

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Sustainable Jersey Upcoming Webinars & Trainings

Helping Your Local Businesses Be More Sustainable Webinar

Community efforts toward sustainability cannot be successful without the active engagement of the private sector. The NJ Sustainable Business Registry Program, developed by the NJ Small Business Development Centers in partnership with the NJ Department of Environmental Protection, is an online registry where businesses can receive tips and resources to become more sustainable.

Learn about Sustainable Jersey's Green Business Recognition Program action that awards points to municipalities that promote and encourage the adoption of this program by its businesses. Hear about the registry and what Sustainable Jersey communities have done to promote sustainability to their local businesses.

Wednesday, September 13, 2017, 1:00pm - 2:00pm

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Other Upcoming Webinars & Trainings

Plug into the Electric Vehicle Boom Webinar

The Association of New Jersey Environmental Commissions will present this webinar which will provide information on how you can be part of the electric vehicle revolution. You'll learn about what is happening around the world and in New Jersey to foster development of electric vehicle infrastructure and how municipalities can be at the vanguard of this movement and meet local demand for public and workplace charging stations. For more information, visit their [website](#).

Tuesday, September 19, 2017, 6:30pm

REGISTER - Cost: \$10. To register [email ANJEC](#) or call 973-539-7547

2018 New Jersey Healthy Communities Network Community Grants Program Call for Proposals

The New Jersey Healthy Communities Network is seeking letters of intent for the 2018 Community Grants program. This initiative will fund up to 60 organizations to help prevent chronic disease and obesity by enhancing the built environment and implementing policies to support healthy eating and active living. Supported projects should make the healthy choice the easy choice; make healthy food and beverages the affordable, available and desired choice; encourage and support physical activity by ensuring accessibility and safety; and make healthy school, work, and community environments the norm and not the exception. For more information, visit their [website](#).

Letter of Intent Deadline: September 13, 2017 at 5:00pm

2017 NJ Charging Challenge: Electrify Your Workplace

The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection has announced the 2017 NJ Charging Challenge: Electrify Your Workplace recognition program to highlight New Jersey employers that are making their workplaces "Electrical Vehicle Friendly." The top performers will be honored at the Governor's Environmental Excellence Awards in December. For more information, visit their [website](#).

Application Deadline: Friday, September 29, 2017 at 5pm

2017 Governor's Environmental Excellence Award

The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection's Governor's Environmental Excellence Awards Program recognizes outstanding environmental performance, programs and projects throughout the state. These awards recognize individuals, businesses, institutions, communities, organizations, educators, youth and others who have made significant contributions to environmental protection in New Jersey. For more information, visit their [website](#).

Application Deadline: Friday, September 29, 2017 at 5:00pm

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