



New! July Sustainability Hero

The July 2017 Sustainability Hero is Chris Waldron, the Director of Sustainability for Camden County. Read about how Chris developed and implements a long-range sustainability plan for Camden County while supporting the 37 municipalities in the county. See how a tool library, bike share program, hydroponics greenhouse, animal shelter, African lions, polar bears and Elvis Presley fit into the story on the [Sustainable Jersey Heroes page](#).

To capture the stories of our local leaders, we recognize a monthly Sustainability Hero. If you have recommendations for someone on your green team, municipal staff, school staff or task force that's a sustainability hero, complete the [submission form](#) and e-mail it to us at info@sustainablejersey.com.



Sustainable Jersey Upcoming Webinars & Trainings

The Art of Sustainability: Creative Placemaking and Your Community Webinar

This webinar will provide an overview of all of the Arts and Creative Culture actions in the Sustainable Jersey program, and will focus on the newest action, [Municipal Commitments to Arts and Creative Culture](#), which rewards municipalities for building a more welcoming environment for artistic and cultural activity through land use ordinances and other regulations, contractual relationships with cultural organizations, municipal ownership of spaces reserved for cultural and creative activities, tax abatements that help creative people to live or work in the community, and art-specific strategies in the municipality's Master Plan. Speakers will talk about how they have utilized their creative assets to make their communities more vibrant, both economically and artistically.

Wednesday, July 26, 2017, 1:00pm - 2:00pm

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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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Does Your Green Team Have a One Day Project that Could Use 10-20 Energetic Volunteers?

As part of the partnership between Sustainable Jersey and the Center for Community Engaged Learning and Research at The College of New Jersey, we are pleased to announce an opportunity for Sustainable Jersey municipalities to enlist students from The College of New Jersey to support your green team on a specific project that contributes to your Sustainable Jersey certification. The volunteer service activity must take place on the following days:

- Saturday, September 9
- Wednesday, September 13
- Saturday, September 16
- Wednesday, September 20
- Wednesday, September 27
- Saturday, September 30
- Wednesday, October 4
- Wednesday, October 11
- Saturday, October 14
- Saturday, October 28
- Wednesday, November 1
- Saturday, November 4
- Wednesday, November 8
- Saturday, November 11



For more information, click [HERE](#). To access the online application, click [HERE](#).

Application Deadline: Monday, August 21, 2017 at midnight

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

2017 Recycling Awards

The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, in conjunction with the Association of New Jersey Recyclers (ANJR), annually recognizes excellence in recycling by municipalities, counties, businesses and industry and individuals, as well as schools and other institutions. Recipients are presented at ANJR's annual recycling symposium in October. For more information, visit their [website](#).

Application Deadline: August 4, 2017

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