



Deadline Approaching: Submit Your Grant Application Today!



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Is your municipality ready to test the sustainability project waters? Sustainable Jersey is pleased to announce that the PSEG Foundation is contributing \$200,000 to support a grants program cycle for municipalities. The cycle will award four (4) \$20,000, eight (8) \$10,000 and twenty (20) \$2,000 grants to support efforts related to Sustainable Jersey [actions](#). For more information, click [HERE](#).

Recorded Webinar

An informational webinar was held to review the online application process, requirements, and tips for successful applications. View the recording and presentation [HERE](#).

Application Deadline: Wednesday, February 28, 2018 at 11:59pm

Save the Date! Thursday, June 21 2018 New Jersey Sustainability Summit at The College of New Jersey, Ewing, NJ

Every year Sustainable Jersey brings a unique mix of public, private, state and local partners together to support communities in achieving remarkable progress. Last year, over 300 people attended the 2017 New Jersey Sustainability Summit to find ways that we can all work together to build local capacity for change and have a collective impact. Stay tuned for more information and registration link coming soon!

New! Roots for Rivers Reforestation Grant and Technical Assistance Program

The Nature Conservancy of New Jersey (TNC) is partnering with Sustainable Jersey to offer this program to municipalities and school districts to support their efforts to undertake floodplain reforestation initiatives on public or private land. Program participants will receive technical assistance to design planting projects and funding to cover materials (trees and protection) associated with plantings. Projects costing between \$1,000 and \$20,000 are eligible.

Activities resulting from this grant/technical assistance opportunity could potentially apply to the [Community Education & Outreach](#), [Tree Planting Programs](#), or [Innovative Community Project](#) actions. For more information, visit our

[website](#).

Application Deadline: Friday, March 16, 2018 at 11:59pm

Informational Webinar

An informational webinar will be held Thursday, February 22, 2018, from 1:30pm - 2:30pm to learn about why floodplain reforestation is important and what's involved, how to select a site and develop a plan, the technical assistance and funding available, and how to apply to be part of the program.

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Upcoming Sustainable Jersey Webinars

Today! Making a Game Plan for Getting Certified

Calling all registered towns! Have you been thinking that 2018 is the year your town will join the 200 Sustainable Jersey certified municipalities that are making progress toward a more sustainable future? Would you like to receive the prestigious Sustainable Jersey certification at this year's League of Municipalities Conference? This webinar will share proven strategies and tools to help map out a path to certification within six to twelve months. Learn how to mobilize your green team, navigate the Sustainable Jersey website, select "start-up" actions, get assistance completing actions from non-profits and other groups, track your progress and more!

Wednesday, February 21, 2018, 1:00pm - 2:00pm

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Bronze, Silver or Gold? Success Stories in Municipal Energy Efficiency

Municipalities large and small have experienced increased comfort and decreased utility bills from implementing energy efficiency upgrades in town halls, libraries, and recreation centers, among others. Learn how towns have utilized New Jersey's Clean Energy Program incentives to help achieve energy savings goals. Guidance will be provided on moving from energy audits to efficiency upgrades, transitioning from the Inventory and Upgrade All Buildings action, and municipal leaders will provide inspiring case studies.

Wednesday, March 7, 2018, 1:00pm - 2:00pm

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View all recorded webinar presentations [HERE](#)

Sustainable Jersey Regional Hub Event

Sharing Positive Energy

Energy efficiency measures are one of the best ways to reduce your town's greenhouse gas emissions. Join the Atlantic-Cape May Hub to learn about strategies for your town to move the commercial and residential sectors towards greater energy efficiency. You will hear about incentives from utilities and the NJ Clean Energy Program, and case studies from the ground. Sustainable Jersey's Energy Program Manager, Nancy Quirk, will also discuss an overview of the [Gold Standard in Energy](#), which includes solar and electric vehicle strategies for you municipality.

Wednesday, February 21, 2018, 6:00pm - 8:00pm

NJM Insurance Group

840 12th Street, Hammonton, NJ 08037

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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 Bonner Institute for Civic and Community Engagement at The College of New Jersey, we are pleased to announce an opportunity for Sustainable Jersey communities to enlist students from The College of New Jersey to support your municipality's green team on a specific project that contributes to your Sustainable Jersey certification. Sample projects include but are not limited to:

- Establishing and/or maintaining community gardens or rain gardens
- Removing invasive species from a park as part of a larger community improvement plan
- Tree and shrub planting for reforestation and erosion control
- Community asset mapping in neighborhoods

All projects must be within an hour drive of The College of New Jersey. For more information, including available service days, click [HERE](#).

Application Deadline: Friday, February 23, 2018

If interested, but unable to submit an application by this date, contact Megan Nicholson at nicholm@tcnj.edu or 609-771-2421.



Other Upcoming Events

Bringing Together Sustainability Experts in New Jersey

The Sustainability Speaker Series (S3), sponsored by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Office of Sustainability, provides a forum to share ideas and strategies to expand social, environmental and economic sustainability within New Jersey. S3 brings together sustainability experts and New Jersey leaders from diverse sectors to discuss how organizations can incorporate sustainability into business decisions. Events are open to everyone, including businesses, colleges, government officials, schools, nonprofits, and residents. For more information visit their [website](#).

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Thursday, February 22, 2018, 9:30am - 11:00am

Earth Friendly Products Manufacturing Plant
50 Lackawanna Avenue, Parsippany, NJ 07054
REGISTER - email Sustainability@dep.nj.gov

Incorporating Health into Planning and Decision-Making

The New Jersey Health Impact Collaborative (NJHIC) will lead an introductory training on health impact assessment as a tool to promote community health and equity in planning processes and decision-making. Participants will engage in group exercises related to HIA steps, discuss opportunities and challenges to integrating health into planning and policy processes, and learn about new statewide collaborative initiatives and emerging tools to build capacity for health advancement in planning, and to support health in all policies. For more information, visit their [website](#).

A town can earn 10 points toward Sustainable Jersey certification for the [Health in All Policies Professional Development](#) action if three elected or appointed officials, or staff members attend this training. Attendees must include at least one from the planning board, one the health department, and one from the governing body.

Friday, February 23, 2018, 9:00am - 3:00pm

State Operator Training Center

18 Ag Extension Way, New Brunswick, NJ 08901
[REGISTER](#) - There is a fee to register for this event

Redevelopment Forum

New Jersey Future's annual Redevelopment Forum is a day-long event that brings together more than 500 local and state officials, citizen activists, development professionals, architects, attorneys, planners, business leaders and students. Come learn best practices, share innovative ideas, and make our state a better place for tomorrow. Comprehensive workshops and panels feature impressive speakers with real world redevelopment experience. This year's panels cover a wide range of topics in redevelopment, including flooding, electric vehicles, marijuana regulation, affordable housing, redevelopment finance, and more. New this year will be two special sessions: a millennial "reverse" town hall and a series of rapid-fire five-minute presentations using the internationally successful Ignite format. For more information, visit their [website](#).

Friday, March 9, 2018, 8:00am - 4:45pm

Hyatt Regency
Two Albany Street, New Brunswick, NJ 08901
[REGISTER](#) - there is a fee to register for this event

Fundamentals for Effective Environmental Commissions

The Association of Environmental Commissions (ANJEC) and other experts will hold this training focused on Environmental Commissions (EC). Topics include: responsibilities and powers of an EC; funding opportunities; site plan review; creating/updating an ERI/NRI; Municipal master plan; and reviewing and updating ordinances. Points are eligible in the Sustainable Jersey Program for the completion of the [Environmental Commission](#), [EC Site Plan Review](#), and [Natural Resources Inventory](#) action. For more information, visit their [website](#).

[REGISTER](#) - there is a fee to register for this event

Saturday, March 10, 2018, 9:00am - 1:30pm

Tatum Park, Health Room (Monmouth County)
151 Red Hill Road, Middletown, NJ 07748

Saturday, March 17, 2018, 9:00am - 1:30pm

Roxbury Community Center (Morris County)
72 Eyeland Avenue, Roxbury, NJ 07852

Saturday, March 24, 2018, 9:00am - 1:30pm

Washington Township Municipal Building (Gloucester County)
523 Egg Harbor Road, Sewell, NJ 08080

New Jersey WasteWise Business Network Meeting

The next meeting of the New Jersey WasteWise Business Network will feature presentations on how to use social media to promote your recycling program, office supply reuse programs, recycling electronics from the business sector, and a case study of Raritan Valley Community College's award winning Waste Reduction, Recycling and Sustainability Programs. **New Jersey Certified Recycling Professionals will earn 2.5 recertification credits for attending.**

Thursday, May 10, 2018, 9:30am - 12:00pm

New Jersey Forensic Science Technology Center
1200 Negron Drive, Hamilton, NJ 08691

REGISTER - email Steven Rinaldi at Steven.Rinaldi@dep.nj.gov

FREE Tree Seedlings through the New Jersey Tree Recovery Campaign

Are you planning an Arbor Day event this year and looking for a cost-effective way to get trees to plant? Through the New Jersey Tree Recovery Campaign, your community can receive up to **2,000 FREE tree seedlings** to distribute to residents to help create defining neighborhoods and replenish those that have been lost over time. The seedlings will be available for pickup between March 29 and May 4. A tree planting and educational event focused around Arbor Day is one activity that would contribute to Sustainable Jersey's [Community Education and Outreach action](#).

Application Deadline: February 26, 2018

Funding Opportunities

Upstream Action Acceleration

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and New Jersey Health Initiatives support a broad range of community-focused service delivery projects aimed at creating healthier communities across New Jersey. This current call for proposals is intended to further Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's vision of building a Culture of Health by supporting existing community-focused, cross-sector coalitions to advance their efforts in adopting and implementing "upstream" environmental, policy, and systems change strategies, and accelerate their work in areas they have already identified as priorities to improve community health. For more information, visit their [website](#).

Call for Proposals Deadline: March 1, 2018 at 3pm

Deadline Extended: Natural Gas Vehicle Grant Program

The New Jersey Board of Public Utilities has established a compressed natural gas (CNG) grant program available for Class 5 through 8 vehicles. The \$200,000 grant program will fund the incremental cost of a CNG powered vehicle over the equivalent diesel vehicle. Awards will be capped at \$25,000 per vehicle and \$50,000 per applicant and will be processed on a first-come-first-served basis until funding is exhausted. Eligibility is open to vehicles registered in New Jersey. Eligible applicants for the grant program include municipalities, political subdivisions, incorporated nonprofit entities, corporations and limited liability companies or partnerships registered to do business in New Jersey. For more information, visit their [website](#).

Application Deadline: April 2, 2018

The Recycling Partnership Cart Grant

The Recycling Partnership is a national nonprofit that uses highly leveraged grants coupled with technical assistance to help improve and empower communities. This grant will provide funding (up to \$7/cart) and technical assistance to upgrade residential curbside recycling programs by providing carts to households as well as education. Applications are open to counties, municipalities, and solid waste authorities/districts with 4,000 or more households. For more information, visit their [website](#).

Application Deadline: Rolling

For additional funding opportunities visit our [Grants Portal](#)

Mark Your Calendars!

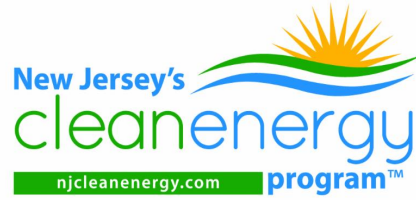
See below for important dates of Sustainable Jersey events, trainings, funding opportunities, and more!

- **Feb. 21:** Making a Game Plan for Getting Certified Webinar
- **Feb. 21:** Sharing Positive Energy Regional Hub Event
- **Feb. 22:** Roots for Rivers Reforestation Webinar
- **Feb. 28:** PSEG Grant Application Deadline
- **March 7:** Municipal Energy Efficiency webinar
- **March 16:** Roots for Rivers Reforestation Application Deadline
- **June 21:** Sustainability Summit

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