

New! June Sustainability Hero

The June 2018 Sustainability Hero is Dr. Michael Salvatore, the Superintendent of Schools for Long Branch Public Schools. Read about how he has led all nine of the Long Branch Public Schools to achieve Sustainable Jersey for Schools certification while becoming state and national models. See how a #StrawFREEinLB campaign, a comprehensive health center for school district staff and the PowerSave Schools program fit into the story on the <u>Sustainable Jersey Heroes page</u>.

To celebrate 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.



2018 New Jersey Sustainability Summit is SOLD OUT!!

Thank you to everyone who signed up to attend the Sustainability Summit - registration is now closed. We will announce the release of tickets should cancellations arise.

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Complete Streets Free Workshop & Technical Assistance Program

Sustainable Jersey, the Voorhees Transportation Center at Rutgers University, the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority and Together North Jersey are offering free training and technical assistance to municipal officials, staff, and the public to support implementation of complete streets at the municipal level.

The concept of complete streets is to design streets for all users, including motor vehicles (cars, buses, and trucks), bicyclists, and pedestrians of all ages and abilities. The successful implementation of this concept requires a focus on context and the unique needs of the community.

Free Training: Implementing Complete Streets at the Local Level

The two identical full day workshops cover a range of topics, including what complete streets are and why they are important; policy, implementation and design guidance; and funding sources. For more information, visit the <u>Sustainable Jersey website Events & Training</u> page, or click on a link below to register.

Tuesday, June 26, 2018, 8:30am - 4:30pmNorth Jersey Transportation Planning Authority
One Newark Center, 17th Floor, Newark, NJ 07102
REGISTER

Wednesday, June 27, 2018, 8:30am - 4:30pm
Edward J. Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy, Room 369
33 Livingston Avenue, New Brunswick, NJ 08901
REGISTER



Complete Streets Technical Assistance Program

This program will support local government efforts to implement complete streets in nine municipalities. Selected participants will receive free direct technical assistance to complete a specific project related to advancing a complete streets initiative. Visit the Sustainable Jersey website Grants & Resources page to learn more about this unique opportunity and register for the informational webinar on June 20, 1:30pm - 2:30pm.

Application Deadline: Friday, July 27, 2018











Other Upcoming Events

Hunterdon County Breakfast Talk

The Hunterdon County Planning Board will host an informational breakfast talk on June 15. The event will feature several informational presentations, including Sustainable Jersey's Veronique Lambert, who will provide

an overview of the program and how participating can benefit Hunterdon municipalities and schools. Additionally, HART, the local non-profit transportation management association, will share information on the Sustainable Hunterdon program and free assistance available to Hunterdon municipalities and school "Green Teams" pursuing Sustainable Jersey certification.

Friday, June 15, 2018, 7:30am - 9:00am 314 State Route 12, Flemington, NJ 08822 REGISTER - RSVP to 908-788-1490 or planning@co.hunterdon.nj.us

Brightfields 2018: Solar Energy Development Event

BrownfieldListings.com, the New Jersey Innovation Institute, The New Jersey Institute of Technology, the Center for Creative Land Recycling and the Kansas State University TAB programs will hold this event for those interested in advancing solar energy on greyfields, brownfields, and landfills. The day-long programming includes educational sessions and on-site technical assistance to help property owners asses their solar potential and troubleshoot their brownfields issues. For more information, visit their website.

Tuesday, June 19, 2018, 8:05am - 5:40pm New Jersey Institute of Technology 323 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard, Newark, NJ 07102 REGISTER - Registration Fee Applies

2018 National Solar Tour

This tour is a partnership between the American Solar Energy Society and Solar United Neighbors, and is a chance for people across the country to meet their neighbors and check out their solar systems. It's an opportunity to see local renewable energy in action, ask home and business owners about their experience going solar, and network with other solar tourists in your area. The tour will take place October 6 and 7. For more information, visit their website.

Green Team Resources

Informing Your Community about Energy Cost Saving Incentives

As a partner with Sustainable Jersey, New Jersey's Clean Energy Program™ (NJCEP) Outreach Team offers assistance to Sustainable Jersey Regional Hubs and Green Teams to provide a deeper understanding of NJCEP and its benefits to your community. NJCEP offers incentives to undertake energy audits and energy efficiency upgrades, such as the <u>Direct Install</u> program for businesses and the <u>Home Performance with ENERGY STAR®</u> and <u>Comfort Partners</u> programs for residents.

The Outreach Team is available to present NJCEP details at your Hub or Green Team meetings, providing literature and answering questions via phone or email. This information can help Hub/Green Team members become more comfortable sharing NJCEP with local residents and businesses. The NJCEP Outreach Team is available to present or participate in public outreach events organized by Hubs and Green Teams.

These resources can help your municipality earn points for the Residential Energy Efficiency Outreach action and the Commercial Energy Efficiency Outreach action. Both of these actions can help your municipality achieve the Gold Star Standard in Energy!

To discuss ideas and options, contact Kenn Latal, Outreach Team Manager for NJCEP via email at kenn.latal@njcleanenergy.com or by phone at 518-452-6489.

Funding Opportunities

NJDEP Resilient NJ Planning Grant Program

The Resilient NJ program will provide funding and technical assistance for multi-municipal regions within New Jersey's nine Most Impacted and Distressed Counties affected by Superstorm Sandy to undertake a

comprehensive planning process. This program will assist municipalities to identify and address vulnerabilities associated to increased coastal and riverine flood risk and other climate stressors. This grant can be applied to many of the actions in the Sustainable Jersey program, including the Emergency Management & Resiliency, Land Use & Transportation, and Innovation action categories.

Application Deadline: July 20, 2018

Funding Walk and Bike Friendly Communities

Creating walkable and bikeable communities is a successful strategy for maintaining and restoring economic vitality and improving public health in any community. The New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) is committed to advancing projects that enhance safety, renew the aging infrastructure, improve pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure and supporting new and alternative transportation opportunities. Two funding opportunities are currently available.

Safe Routes to School Grants

These grants may be used for infrastructure (construction) projects which encourage and enable students from grades K-8 to safely walk and bike to school within a two mile radius. Municipalities, counties, schools and school districts are eligible to apply. A grant workshop will be held to provide information and tips and strategies for a strong application. For more information on the grants, click <a href="https://example.com/here-courses-com/here-courses-courses-com/here-courses

Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program

Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Grants are community-based, non-traditional transportation projects (land and water) which expand travel choice, strengthen the local economy, improve the quality of life, and protect the environment. Applications are due August 23. For more information, click <u>here</u>.

Mark Your Calendars!

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

- June 21: Sustainability Summit *SOLD OUT*
- June 26 & 27: Complete Streets Workshops
- July 27: Complete Streets Technical Assistance Application Deadline

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