



NEW! October Sustainability Hero Announced

The October 2018 Sustainability Hero is Jodi Bettermann, the Energy Efficiency Coordinator for Readington Township Public School District. Read about how she administers the district's behavior-based Energy Conservation Program that serves four schools and has avoided approximately \$421,000 in utility costs over five years. See how the EPA's ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager, energy fact game shows, ground and roof-mounted solar arrays and Tufts University fit into the story on the [Sustainable Jersey Heroes page](#).

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.



Join Us for the Sustainable Jersey Annual Luncheon at the New Jersey League of Municipalities Conference

The Sustainable Jersey Annual Luncheon takes place on the first day of the New Jersey League of Municipalities (NJLM) Conference.

Sustainable Jersey Sessions at NJLM Conference

Don't miss the Sustainable Jersey NJLM Conference Workshops. We will share best practices at Sustainable Jersey sessions held throughout the week. Learn more about the sessions [here](#). **CEU credits are available.**

Annual Luncheon Highlights

- Pre-Luncheon Networking Session (10:30am - Noon)
- Luncheon (Noon - 2:00pm)
- Conveyance of Special Awards
- Recognition of the 2018 Sustainable Jersey Certified Communities

REGISTER Today for Early Bird Pricing!

- \$35 per person for elected and appointed municipal officials, public and non-profit employees, and green team members
- \$75 per person for all other attendees

NOTE: Costs increase November 5 to \$50 for elected and appointed officials, public and non-profit employees, and green team members; \$100 other attendees

Event Sponsorship & Program Book Advertising Information

A wide range of event sponsorships are available. Please contact Sustainable Jersey's Development Director, Joe Grillo, at 609-771-2831 or grilloj@tcnj.edu for more information, or visit our [website](#).



Sustainable Jersey Annual Luncheon
<http://bit.ly/AnnualLuncheon2018>

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Wanted: Innovative Energy Projects



The Gardinier Environmental Fund is contributing \$150,000 to support a Sustainable Jersey Grants Program cycle for [municipalities](#) and [school districts](#). For this cycle, the Gardinier Environmental Fund will support 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
- Nine (9): \$10,000 grants

Application Deadline: Wednesday, October 31, 2018 at 11:59pm

Informational Webinar

An informational webinar was held to learn more about the application process, online submission procedures, eligible projects, and tips for a successful grant application. The recording and presentation can be found on the [Municipal](#) and [Schools](#) websites.

Sustainable Jersey Upcoming Event

Green Infrastructure Planning and Implementation: Find Out How to Get Your Points

This course will review the Sustainable Jersey green infrastructure actions. If your municipality is struggling with localized flooding or unhealthy waterways, you must come to this workshop. There are 35 points available for green infrastructure planning and another 45 points available for green infrastructure implementation in the Sustainable Jersey program. The Rutgers Cooperative Extension Water Resources Program has already completed green infrastructure plans for over 140 Sustainable Jersey municipalities. Come find out if you are one of them and how you can adopt these plans for Sustainable Jersey points. If a plan is not already developed for your municipality, information will be shared with you on how to get one done.

Wednesday, October 17, 2018, 8:30am - 12:00pm

Wheaton Art Center - Event Center
1000 Village Drive, Millville, NJ 08332

[REGISTER](#)

Sustainable Jersey Regional Hub Event Tonight!

Building a Sustainable Future: Strategies for a Successful Community

The Tri-County Sustainability Alliance will host this event for sustainability enthusiasts and local green team members to gain resources to assist with outreach, expertise, education and more.

Thursday, October 4, 2018, 6:00pm - 9:00pm
Rowan College at Gloucester County
1400 Tanyard Road, Deptford Township, NJ 08080
[REGISTER](#)



Other Upcoming Events

Accelerate Land Reuse for Community Revitalization Workshop

This workshop, sponsored by the Center for Creative Land Recycling, NJ Department of Environmental Protection, NJ Business Action Center, and US EPA, addresses legal liability, regulatory issues, funding resources, assessment/remediation, and community engagement to turbo charge redevelopment projects. Caroline Ehrlich, Executive Director of Woodbridge Township's Redevelopment Agency and Sustainable Jersey Board member, joins the, "Lightning Rounds: Ask the Expert" panel to spotlight Woodbridge's experience in gaining support and funding for brownfield redevelopment projects and answer your questions on municipal leadership. There will also be an opportunity for attendees to speak with public and private sector experts during an "Office Hours Consultation." For more information, please click the Register link(s) below.

Tuesday, October 9, 2018, 8:30am - 2:30pm
Middlesex Fire Academy
1001 Fire Academy Drive, Sayreville, NJ 08872
[REGISTER](#)

Thursday, October 18, 2018, 8:30am - 2:30pm
The Salvation Army Kroc Center
1865 Harrison Avenue, Camden, NJ 08105
[REGISTER](#)

2018 Environmental Congress

The Association of New Jersey Environmental Commissions will hold its 45th Annual Environmental Congress on October 12. This statewide gathering brings together Environmental Commissions, local officials, agencies, citizen groups, and environmental organizations. For more information, visit their [website](#).

Thursday, October 12, 2018, 9:00am - 4:00pm
The Conference Center at Mercer County Community College
1200 Old Trenton Road, West Windsor, NJ 08550
[REGISTER](#) - Fee applies

New Jersey WasteWise Business Network Meeting

The next meeting of the New Jersey WasteWise Business Network will be on Thursday, November 1. Presentations will focus on food donation and its positive impact on waste reduction; advancing waste reduction, recycling and environmental stewardship at religious institutions; what's new in scrap tire recycling/management; and going beyond the traditional recyclable materials.

Thursday, November 1, 9:30am - 12:10pm
New Jersey Forensic Science Technology Center Auditorium
1200 Negron Drive, Hamilton, NJ 08691
REGISTER - RSVP to Steven Rinaldi at Steven.Rinaldi@dep.nj.gov

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 [Direct Install](#) program for businesses and the [Home Performance with ENERGY STAR®](#) and [Comfort Partners](#) 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 the NJCEP Outreach Team Manager at Outreach@NJCleanEnergy.com.

Funding & Technical Assistance Opportunities

Local Foods, Local Places Technical Assistance Opportunity

The U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Delta Regional Authority, and the Northern Border Regional Commission invite communities to apply for technical assistance to help revitalize their economy, improve health, and protect the environment. This program will provide selected communities planning assistance centered around a two-day community workshop. At the workshop, a team of experts will help community members develop an implementable action plan that promotes local food and neighborhood revitalization.

Application Deadline: Monday, October 22, 2018, at 11:59pm

Mark Your Calendars!

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

- **Oct. 4:** Tri-County Sustainability Alliance Event
- **Oct. 17:** Green Infrastructure Workshop
- **Oct. 31:** Gardinier Grant Application Deadline
- **Nov. 13:** Sustainable Jersey Annual Luncheon

For more information visit www.sustainablejersey.com

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