

From Kim Stone To Everyone:

The leaf blower working group report is at:

[https://cms6.revize.com/revize/highlandparkil/government/boards\\_and\\_commissions/docs/2022-12-15%20Final%20Report-%20Leaf%20Blower%20Working%20Group.pdf](https://cms6.revize.com/revize/highlandparkil/government/boards_and_commissions/docs/2022-12-15%20Final%20Report-%20Leaf%20Blower%20Working%20Group.pdf)

13:22:06 From Go Green Verno Hills, Seema Keshav To Everyone:

Are there examples of what park districts are doing to reduce plastic waste in their operations

13:22:24 From Jacquelyn Casazza - Glen Ellyn To Everyone:

Reacted to "Are there examples o..." with 👍

13:25:30 From John Kiwala To Everyone:

We are a park district and we use compostable cups for all of our events, or we use our china which we wash.

13:25:37 From David Silverman, Go Green Arlington Heights To Everyone:

Alan Atkisson, who pioneered the contemporary urban sustainability indicators and planning approach, has famously noted that what sustainability plans often tell us is simply "how far and how fast" we are moving AWAY from sustainability." What do your metrics now show as the impacts of implementation and evaluation of planning on "actual" sustainability transitions for parks and their communities? This is not a cynical comment, but a request for best practice context, thanks!

13:26:06 From John Kiwala To Beth Drucker - Wilmette(Privately):

We use compostable at our community center for food and events.

13:28:11 From David Silverman, Go Green Arlington Heights To Everyone:

sure, thanks for noting the q, Beth and Kim! - If there's no time, I'll follow up with her offline, np

13:29:53 From Dorr St.Clair To Everyone:

As many PDs farm out their tree planting and care, I see a lot of ailing trees. They often plant incorrectly - to high or too low, They leave on root wrapping and wires... Water too much or too little..and we've all seen those empty water bags wrapped around trees in the heat of summer. To top it off there is a trend where they pile on way too much mulch, which will kill the tree over a span of years. How do we get our PDs to monitor these contract landscapers?

13:35:00 From Kim Stone To Everyone:

<https://openlands.org/programs/treekeepers-certification-and-program/>

13:41:37 From GG Highland Park-Jenny Futterman To Everyone:

For Jan, How do you educate PD staff and maintenance about proper composting?

13:45:19 From Jacquelyn Casazza - Glen Ellyn To Everyone:

Does your park district have a dedicated grant writer?

13:46:01 From GG Highland Park-Jenny Futterman To Everyone:

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13:47:58 From Debbie Brown To Everyone:

Is there a resource for PD grant writing?

13:49:02 From Deb Singleton To Everyone:

What tools did Oak Park use to assess GHG emissions?

13:53:02 From Karin Daly To Everyone:

Is there a sustainability lead FTE to spearhead programs?

13:53:22 From Andrew Hoffman Morton Grove To Everyone:

How do you sell this to p.d. members who are resistant to change?

13:54:34 From David Silverman, Go Green Arlington Heights To Everyone:

This is great! In addition to transitioning to electricity, the growth of consumption, whether electric or fossil fuel also needs to bend down. How are you doing on overall electric and energy efficiency and total use reduction?

13:54:55 From Cindy Grau To Everyone:

Fabulous work!!

13:58:54 From Deb Singleton To Everyone:

is Jan available to consult with other districts?

13:59:23 From Karin Daly To Everyone:

Thank you! Oak Park is an inspiration!!!

13:59:56 From Jacquelyn Casazza - Glen Ellyn To Everyone:

Reacted to "Thank you! Oak Park..." with 👍

14:00:00 From Jan Arnold: Park District of Oak Park To Everyone:

Replying to "is Jan available to ..."

Feel free to email me at [jan.arnold@pdop.org](mailto:jan.arnold@pdop.org). Will help where I can.

14:01:38 From Carrie Malfeo To Everyone:

Can we organize a field trip to Oak Park's Park district to see the solar van and their other projects mentioned?

14:02:04 From Go Green Verno Hills, Seema Keshav To Everyone:

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14:07:22 From David Silverman, Go Green Arlington Heights To Everyone:

Reacted to "Can we organize a fi..." with 👍

14:07:27 From David Silverman, Go Green Arlington Heights To Everyone:

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14:08:05 From Jan Arnold: Park District of Oak Park To Everyone:

Replying to "Can we organize a fi..."

Sure thing. My staff did a hands-on event earlier this year. Send me an email at [jan.arnold@pdop.org](mailto:jan.arnold@pdop.org)

14:12:35 From Carrie Malfeo To Everyone:

Replying to "Can we organize a fi..."

Thanks Jan. I will get in contact with you.

14:12:39 From Jan Arnold: Park District of Oak Park To Everyone:

Excited to see the entities working together.

14:15:17 From Beth Drucker - Wilmette To Everyone:

Add your community to the chat if you would like a tour of Park District of Oak Park's sustainability successes.

14:15:47 From Go Green Verno Hills, Seema Keshav To Everyone:

Vernon Hills

14:16:05 From Deb Singleton To Everyone:

Deerfield

14:16:09 From Sheri Latash-Greener Glenview To Everyone:

Yes to a tour of Oak Park facilities--Greener Glenview!

14:16:17 From Dorr St.Clair To Everyone:

I would love a tour of Oak Park's systems- thank you.

14:16:31 From Jacquelyn Casazza - Glen Ellyn To Everyone:

Glen Ellyn

14:16:36 From Karin Daly To Everyone:

GG Glen Ellyn would be interested! gogreenglenellyn@gmail.com

14:16:39 From Carrie Malfeo To Everyone:

Park Forest

14:16:41 From Cindy Grau To Everyone:

Park Ridge

14:16:42 From David Silverman, Go Green Arlington Heights To Everyone:

Among the most important aspects of sustainability are the various 3E strategies. Some communities, for instance, incorporate UN Sustainable Development Goals or similar criteria in their sustainability plans, to include social, economic and environmental impacts and justice criteria across the community from what are often regarded at first as "mere" environmental plans.

Q: How are you including these linked impacts in your planning, and I'm curious - how do each of the presenters today assess and plan for such wholistic measures and inclusion? Does this integrated benefit offer a compelling sell to stakeholders in supporting your efforts?

14:17:35 From Cheryl Trilling Lincolnwood To Everyone:

Would definitely like to be included in the field trip to Oak Park. Lincolnwood

14:17:52 From David Silverman, Go Green Arlington Heights To Everyone:

Replying to "Add your community t..."

GG Arlington Heights

14:30:27 From Kim Stone To Everyone:

We have scheduled our 2024 Go Green IL meetings. Dates are: January 9, March 12, May 14, July 9, September 10 and November 12. If you aren't already on our email list, please go to [gogreenillinois.org](https://gogreenillinois.org) and sign up so that you get the registration links.

14:32:40 From Jacquelyn Casazza - Glen Ellyn To Everyone:

Here is the Zero Waste Town Hall Link! Amy Bartucci and I will be presenting, and Liz Kunkle will be moderating. Great GG representation 😊 <https://ilenviro.org/2023-zero-waste-town-hall/?emci=a20f1b96-907d-ee11-b004-00224832e1ba&emdi=27eb89f3-847e-ee11-8925-00224832e811&ceid=2213335>

14:35:14 From Cindy Grau To Everyone:

He's my state senator too

14:44:00 From Jacquelyn Casazza - Glen Ellyn To Everyone:

Thanks re: the Climate Action Mudeum. I also recommend the Blue Paradox exhibit at the museum of science and industry!

14:44:25 From Kim Stone To Everyone:

Replying to "He's my state senato..."

Can you connect with Cheryl Trilling to coordinate communicating with him? It's always helpful to have people from throughout the district.

14:44:45 From Cindy Grau To Everyone:

Reacted to "Can you connect with..." with 🙌

14:45:11 From Beth Drucker - Wilmette To Everyone:

And the new Sustainability exhibit at The Nature Museum.

14:52:50 From Beth Drucker - Wilmette To Everyone:

Green Apt and Condo Buildings meeting tomorrow 11/15 from 4 - 6pm at 1616 Sheridan Road. Covering energy, EV charging, native and edible gardens, dark sky lighting, waste, recycling and food scrap collection.

14:53:11 From Jacquelyn Casazza - Glen Ellyn To Everyone:

thanks for another great meeting!

14:53:15 From Phil from Greener Grove To Everyone:

Village of Downers Grove has reinstated the Environmental Concerns Committee and are hiring a Sustainability coordinator, both items which Greener Grove lobbied for

14:57:21 From Liz Kunkle, Go Green Winnetka To Everyone:

Thanks for a great meeting!

14:59:42 From Go Green Verno Hills, Seema Keshav To Everyone:

My email is seema.keshav@gmail.com

15:01:12 From GG Highland Park-Jenny Futterman To Everyone:

Thanks, great meeting!

15:03:38 From Go Green Verno Hills, Seema Keshav To Everyone:

Thank you Beth and Kim. This was great and lovely to see you

15:04:55 From David Silverman, Go Green Arlington Heights To Everyone:

Yes, we'll be forwarding to our parks and Env Commissions, and if the list of Parks Districts registered can be included as encouragement, that would be great! Thanks for this, great information today.

15:05:39 From Beth Drucker - Wilmette To Everyone:

David - sorry we did not get to all your questions but time is always tight!

15:06:08 From David Silverman, Go Green Arlington Heights To Everyone:

Oh, I understand, all good thanks again.