



MGC 2016 Annual Conference –

Building Capacity for Climate and Energy Actions

8:00am to 8:30am	Registration, Mingling, and Breakfast
8:30am to 8:45am	Welcome
8:45am to 9:30am	Identifying the Challenge: Climate Impacts in Michigan B.J. Baule, UM Climate Center Matthew Naud, City of Ann Arbor
9:30am to 10:15am	Local Impacts and Barriers to Action (Breakout by Region)
10:15am to 10:30am	Networking Break
10:30am to 11:15am	Statewide Climate and Health Training Overview Claire Karner, LIAA Aaron Ferguson, Michigan Department of Health and Human Services
11:15am to 12:00pm	Breakouts: Local Success Stories 1) Community Energy Initiatives (Training Room) Mark Vanderploeg, City of Holland, Lydia Macklin-Camel, City of Farmington Hills, and Ralph Lange, City of Ypsilanti 2) Waste to Energy (Boardroom) Dave Norwood, City of Dearborn and Sandra Diorka, Delhi Township 3) Community Solar (Classroom) Dave Konkle, Great Lakes Renewable Energy Association and John Kinch, Michigan Energy Options 4) Open Breakout (Roundtable Room)
12:00pm to 1:00pm	Lunch
1:00pm to 2:00pm	Statewide Clean Energy Update Panel Liesel Clark, 5 Lakes Energy and Kerry Ebersole Singh, Energy Foundation
2:00pm to 3:00pm	Breakouts: Overcoming Challenges and Taking Action 1) Community Energy Management (Training Room) Allison Harris, EcoWorks and Annelise Huber, Public Sector Consultants 2) Climate and Sustainability Planning (Boardroom) Sara Damm, Muskegon County, Brad Garmon, Michigan Environmental Council, and Daniel Schoonmaker, West Michigan Sustainable Business Forum 3) Climate Resources from the UM Climate Center (Classroom) B.J. Baule, UM Climate Center 4) Open Breakout (Roundtable Room)
3:00pm to 3:45pm	Impact Areas and Intervention Points (Breakout by Region)
3:45pm to 4:15pm	Michigan Green Communities Challenge
4:15pm to 4:30pm	Group Discussion and Close Out

Conference Partners:



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TAKE THE CHALLENGE!

The MGC Challenge offers communities a tool to benchmark sustainability through an easy-to-use, online checklist. Since its launch in 2009, the Challenge has helped over 100 communities take steps to advance sustainability. **Why should your community complete the 2016 Challenge?**

The Challenge:

- Offers an easy-to-use tool to get started on sustainability initiatives
- Provides a framework for peer-to-peer benchmarking
- Recognizes communities for sustainability accomplishments



The Challenge is open to all local governments in Michigan. Communities can earn bronze, silver, or gold certifications.



How does your community complete the 2016 Challenge?

1. Register for an online account at: <http://migreencommunities.com/challenge/>
2. Fill out the action items and reporting metrics.
3. Complete the form by June 30th to receive certification in 2016.

Complete the Challenge checklist by June 30th for a chance to win one of three \$1,000 randomly-drawn prizes.

Learn more at migreencommunities.com/challenge