



# KANE COUNTY

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## ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2019

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County Board Room

Agenda

9:00 AM

Kane County Government Center, 719 S. Batavia Ave., Bldg. A, Geneva, IL 60134

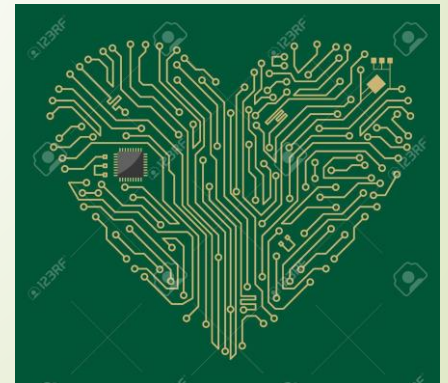
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1. **Call to Order**
2. **Approval of Minutes:**
3. **Environmental (J. Wollnik)**
4. **Recycling/Solid Waste (J. Jarland)**
  - A. Presentation: Consumer Electronics Recycling Act Overview (attached)
5. **Sustainability (J. Mino)**
  - A. Presentation: Greenest Region Compact (attached)
  - B. Discussion: One Earth Film Fest Announcement (attached)
  - C. Presentation: Fox River Summit
6. **New Business**
7. **Public Comment**
8. **Reports Placed on File**
9. **Executive Session (If Needed)**
10. **Adjournment**

# The CERA

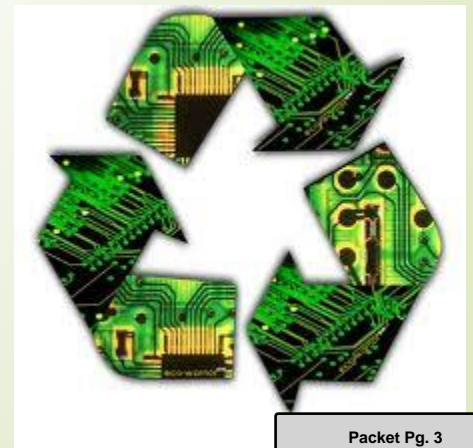
## The Consumer Electronics Recycling Act

Kane County Energy & Environmental Committee  
February 2019



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- Overview of the Consumer Electronics Recycling Act (CERA)
- Key implementation dates under the law
- Stakeholder Roles and Responsibilities under the law
- Opting-in to CERA – Filing Written Notice of Participation
- Resolution 18-64 on-going authorization to submit

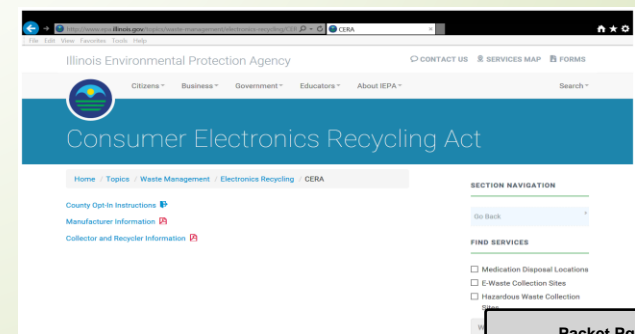


# Overview of CERA

- CERA is a Convenience Standard based bill, as opposed to the weight-based-goal model under the Electronic Products Recycling and Reuse Act (EPRRA)
- Both of these bills are Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) bills - the manufacturers are financially responsible for the cost of recycling their products at the end of use.
- EPRRA enacted in 2011, crashed in 2015, amendment passed increasing pounds for 2016 was a stop gap, and stakeholders recognized need for long term fix
- In 2016 & 2017 two separate bill drafts were prepared by IL PSC and IMA.
- Negotiations culminated in two bills being passed in 2017 and signed into law, as the Consumer Electronics Recycling Act.
  - SB 1417 & HB 1955 became combined into statute as PA 100-433
- A copy of CERA (PA 100-433) and other info is available at [www.ILCSWMA.org](http://www.ILCSWMA.org) or at [www2.illinois.gov/epa](http://www2.illinois.gov/epa)



The screenshot shows the homepage of the Illinois Counties Solid Waste Management Association (ILCSWMA). The header includes the organization's name and a navigation menu. The main content area features a blue banner with text: "Click here to listen to the webinar 'How Counties Can Opt-In To The New Consumer Electronics Recycling Act'." Below this, there are several links: "The following links are information regarding the new CERA law and other information from the webinar.", "Webinar Powerpoint Presentation", "Sample County Resolution to Opt In to CERA", "UPDATE 2/13/18 - Illinois County and Municipal Joint Agency Collector Opt-In Form", "Update 2/13/18 - Guidance for County/Municipal Joint Action Agency Collectors Participating in the Manufacturer's Clearinghouse Program", and "IEPA Opt In Information".



The screenshot shows the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) website. The header includes the agency's name and a navigation menu. The main content area features a blue banner with the text "Consumer Electronics Recycling Act". Below this, there are several links: "Home", "Topics", "Waste Management", "Electronics Recycling", and "CERA". On the right side, there is a "SECTION NAVIGATION" section with a "Go Back" button and a "FIND SERVICES" section with checkboxes for "Medication Disposal Locations", "E-Waste Collection Sites", and "Hazardous Waste Collection".

# Role and Responsibilities - Manufacturers

- Register annually with IEPA and either join the clearinghouse or run unilateral statewide program
- Administer clearinghouse
  - Develop statewide plan based on counties opting in, and implement convenience standard
  - **Assume financial responsibility for implementing e-waste program, including costs for packaging materials, bulk transportation and recycling/processing of equipment**
  - Audit collection sites
  - Submit annual report on program year collection data
  - **Manage cost allocation to manufacturers**
- Pay assigned recyclers amount based on percentage of electronic equipment sales in the state for the total of all equipment collected through the program.



# Role and Responsibilities – Illinois EPA

- Overall enforcement of the law's provisions
- Administer registration of manufacturers, recyclers and collectors
- Annually review and approve/disapprove e-waste program plan submitted by manufacturers
- Post instructions on how to opt into program on website, instructions developed by manufacturers
- Collect, collate and track annual program data
- Assist with calculations on cost allocation for clearinghouse



# Role and Responsibilities - Recyclers

- Provide the key function of recycling the recovered CEDs, will continue to have direct contracts with manufacturers that cover costs of transportation and recycling
- Register annually with IEPA and certify compliance with 13 provisions in the law (labor law compliance, health and safety training, insurance, use of proper equipment, etc.)
- Provide key collection data used by manufacturers and collectors to comply with annual reporting requirements
- Assume key role with collectors to improve best practices at collection sites



# Role and Responsibilities - Collectors

- Work with county recycling coordinators to provide sites or one day events (can include local government, NGOs, private sector such as haulers or scrap yards, Goodwill, retailers, etc.)
- Register annually with IEPA
- Provide the sorting and loading of CEDs per the state law or face pro rata transportation charge from recycler
  - May charge for monitors and TVs to cover cost of sorting and loading the CEDs
- Submit annual report on program year data





# Key Implementation Dates

- ▶ January 1, 2019 – new law took affect
- ▶ **March 1** (annually) – Counties must file written notice with manufacturer e-waste program and IEPA, and propose list of collection locations/one day events Under the law Kane County has been allocated 4 sites to meet the population density standard
  - ▶ We have 2 permanent plus 8 events in a year (which count as 2 sites, because 4 events = 1 site) meeting the standard
- ▶ July 1 (annually) – Manufacturer clearinghouse submits its statewide e-waste program plan to IEPA for approval
  - ▶ Assigns recyclers to counties



# Opting-in to CERA - Written Notice

- ▶ Must submit a written notice of election to participate by March 1 of each year. Need to complete with the following information:
  - ▶ County name, County contact person details
  - ▶ List and detail proposed collection locations
  - ▶ Permanent collection sites, and number of events
    - ▶ List current collection method, details and recycler
    - ▶ Include a list of currently registered collectors operating in Kane County for consideration
    - ▶ Include list of haulers operating curbside collection programs in Kane County (ie. Waste Management in Elgin)
  - ▶ Name preferred recycler, will include a cover letter that outlines the longstanding relationship established with eWorks
  - ▶ Provide last year's data, per site, per event and overall

# Opting-in to CERA - Written Notice

## Illinois County and Municipal Joint Action Agency Opt-In Form Illinois Electronics Recycling Program

**Note:** One application per county. To be submitted by County or Municipal Joint Action Agency.

Program Year 2020 (Due March 1, 2019)

### County or Municipal Joint Action Agency Information

Name of County or  
Municipal Joint Action Agency: Kane County, Division of Environmental Resources  
Street Address (line 1): 719 S Batavia Ave., Building A  
(line 2):  
City: Geneva Zip Code: 60134 County: Kane

### Contact Information

First Name: Jennifer Last Name: Jarland  
Title: Recycling Program Coordinator  
Direct Phone: 630-208-3841 Email: recycle@countofkane.org

### Proposed Collection Sites and/or Events

Pursuant to 415 ILCS 151/1-15 of the [Consumer Electronics Recycling Act](#), counties and municipal joint action agencies that elect to participate are allotted a certain number of collection sites dependent upon the population density within their jurisdiction. Please list all of the recommended locations for permanent sites or one-day events in program year 2020. (Should additional locations be needed, click on the button provided to add more fields.)

**Note:** Sites and events must be located within the participating county or municipal joint action agency. These sites are recommendations and not guaranteed to be included in the manufacturer e-waste program plan.

Site  Event

Operator of Site or Event: eWorks Electronics Services, under contract with Kane County  
Street Address of Location: 517 E Fabyan Parkway  
City: Batavia Zip Code: 60510 County: Kane

Collection site limitations (e.g. residency requirements, operational limitations relating to bulk pickup, etc.), if any:

Hours of operation: Monday - Friday, 8am-4pm, year-round

Has this site or event operated in a previous program year?  Yes  No

If so, please enter the following information.

Collection Site Contact Name: Jennifer Jarland  
Collection Site Contact Phone: 630-208-3841 Contact Email: recycle@countyofkane.org

Description of Current/Past Services (e.g. semi-trailer pick-ups, box truck pick-ups, need forklift or pallet jack for loading):

Collection services and recycling services are provided in full via the contract between eWorks and Kane County (effective Jan 2018-December of 2020). This includes full-time staffing and supplies to collect, sort and load equipment into trailers that eWorks also provides.

Estimated Annual CED Collection (pounds): 500,000

# Resolution 18-64

## AUTHORIZING THE CONSUMER ELECTRONICS RECYCLING ACT OPT-IN

WHEREAS, the Illinois General Assembly and Governor enacted the Consumer Electronics Recycling Act (Public Act 100-433) on August 25, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Consumer Electronics Recycling Act includes a convenience standard for permanent collection sites and/or one-day collection events that provides every county in the state and opportunity to have a program for collecting Covered Electronic Devices (CEDs) from its residents; and

WHEREAS, a county may elect to participate in the manufacturer sponsored electronics collection program by opting-in prior to March 1, 2018 for the 2019 program year, and March 1 of every year thereafter for the next program year; and

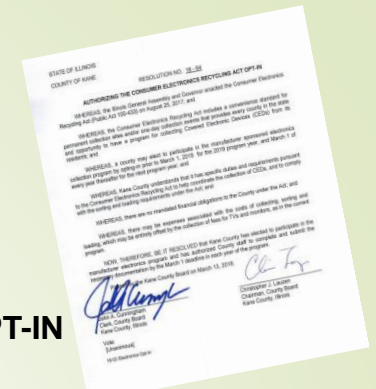
WHEREAS, Kane County understands that it has specific duties and requirements pursuant to the Consumer Electronics Recycling Act to help coordinate the collection of CEDs, and to comply with the sorting and loading requirements under the Act; and

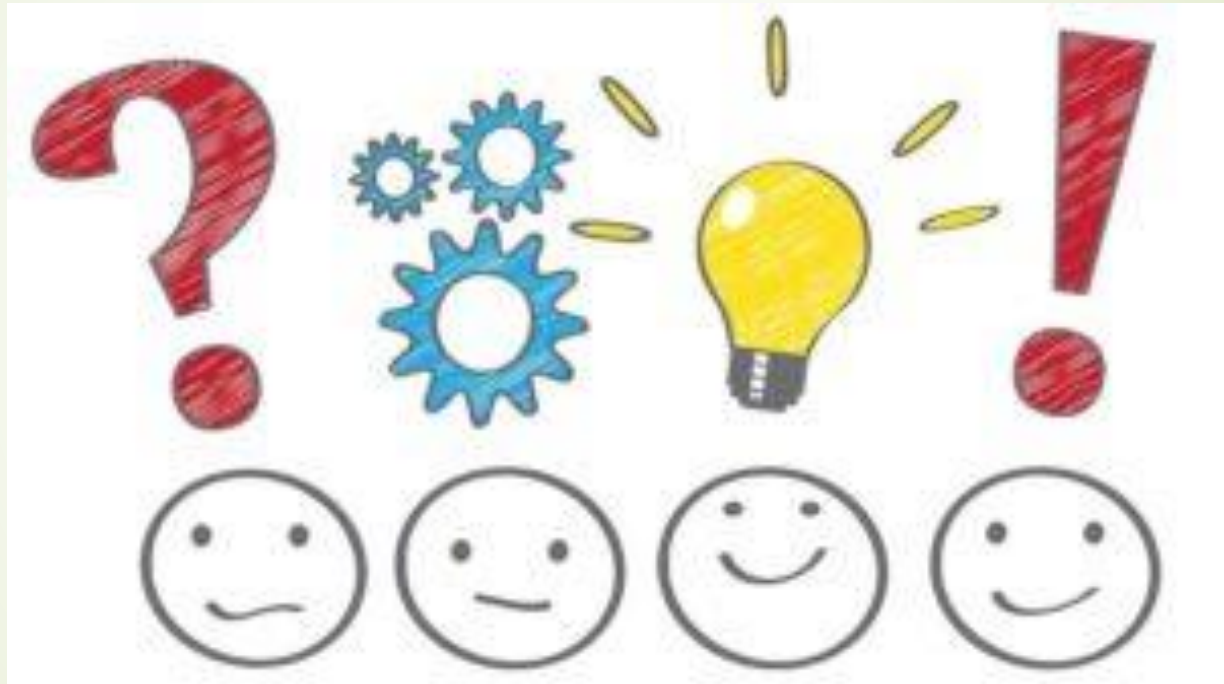
WHEREAS, there are no mandated financial obligations to the County under the Act; and

WHEREAS, there may be expenses associated with the costs of collecting, sorting and loading, which may be entirely offset by the collection of fees for TVs and monitors, as in the current program.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that Kane County has elected to participate in the manufacturer electronics program and has authorized County staff to complete and submit the necessary documentation by the March 1 deadline in each year of the program.

Passed by the Kane County Board on March 13, 2018.







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# Greenest Region Compact

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KANE COUNTY ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

EDITH MAKRA, METROPOLITAN MAYORS CAUCUS

FEBRUARY 15, 2019

# Overview

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- Building the GRC
  - What is already being done?
  - What is already planned?
- The GRC in 3 parts
  - Compact
  - Framework
    - Examples
  - Collaborative Programs to advance GRC goals
- GRC in Kane County

# GRC Goal

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*To align environmental issues, resources, and actions at the local, regional and national levels to guide municipalities to achieve greater environmental sustainability.*



COLLABORATING FOR SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES

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# Building the GRC

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COLLABORATING FOR SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES

# Building the GRC2 – step 1

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1. What is already underway in the region?
2. What existing programs will be helpful?

*TO ANSWER THOSE QUESTIONS -*

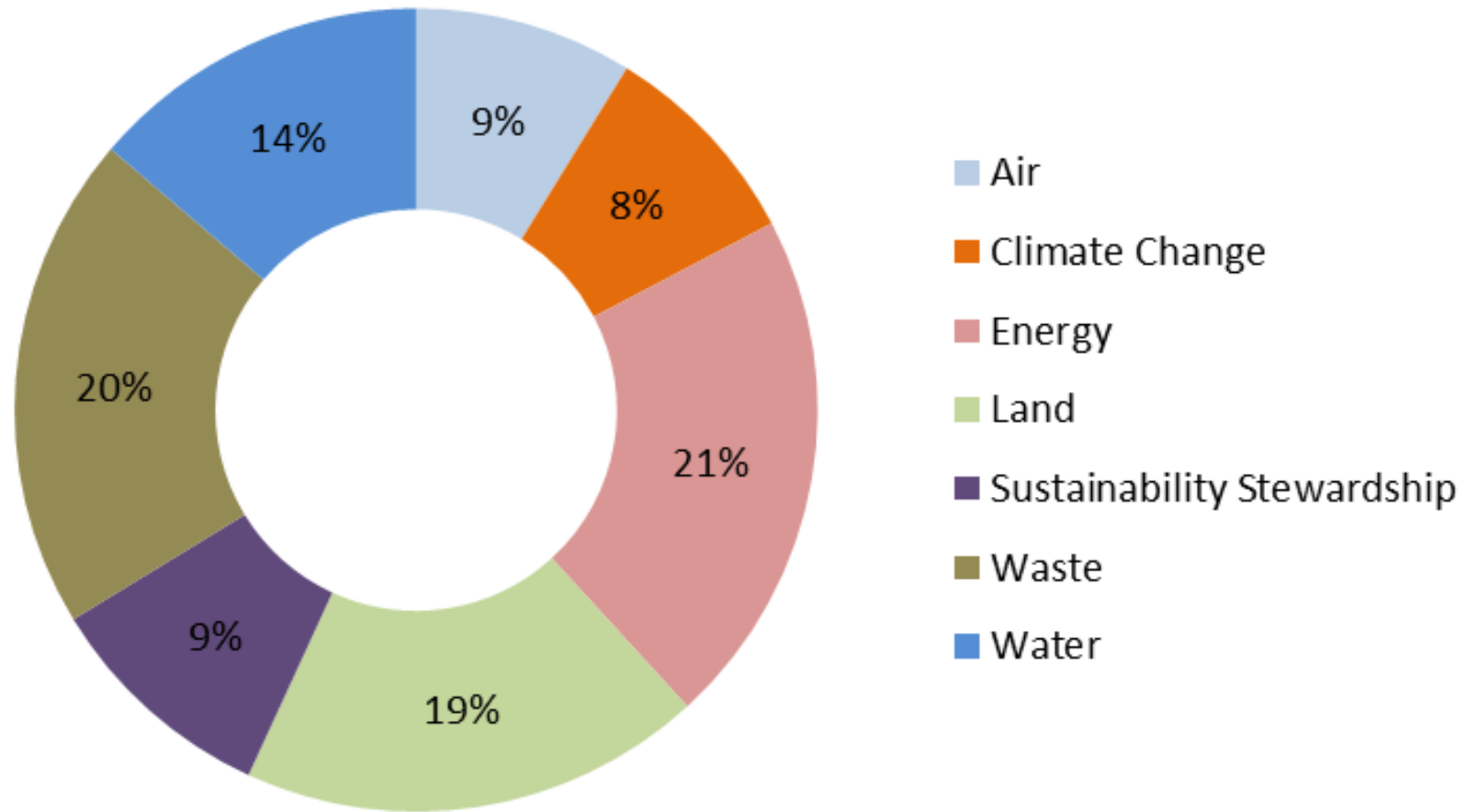
➤ Inventoried environmental achievements for every municipality



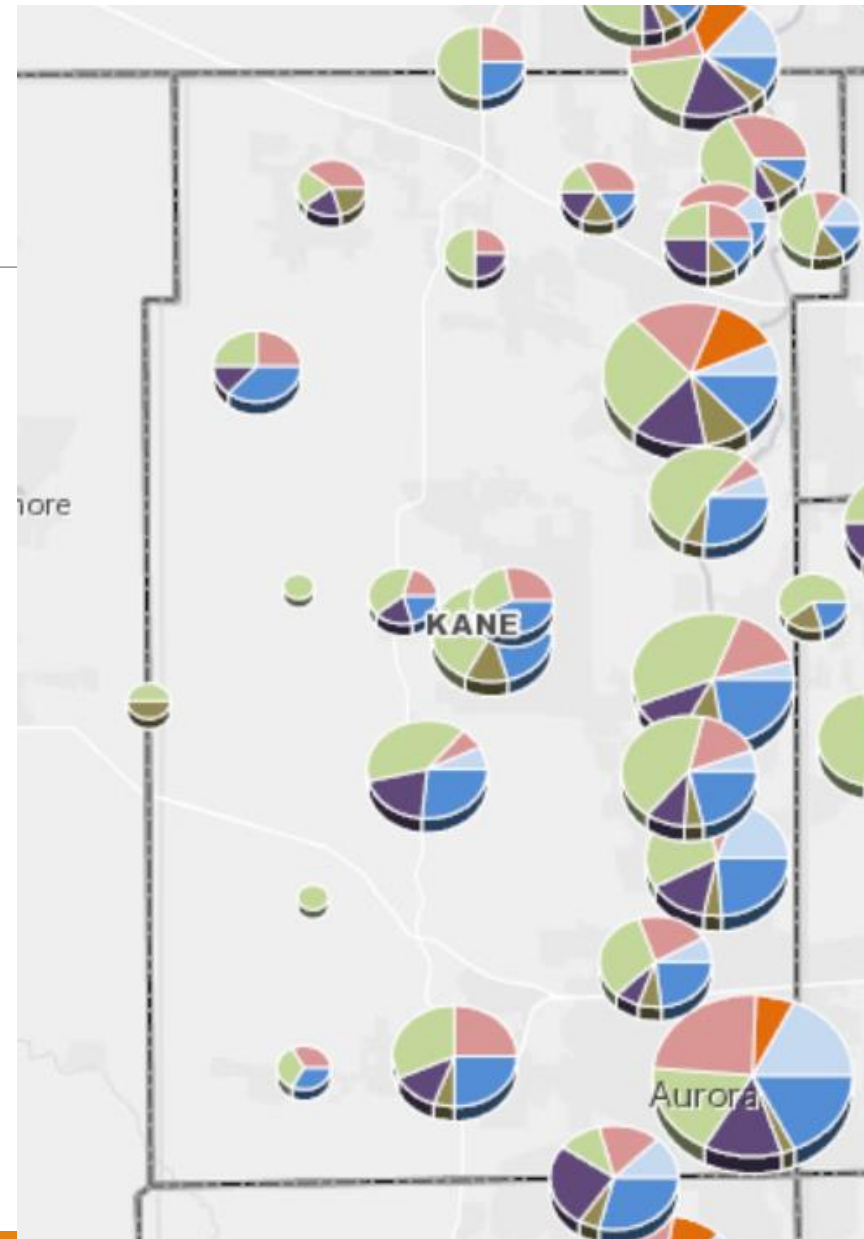
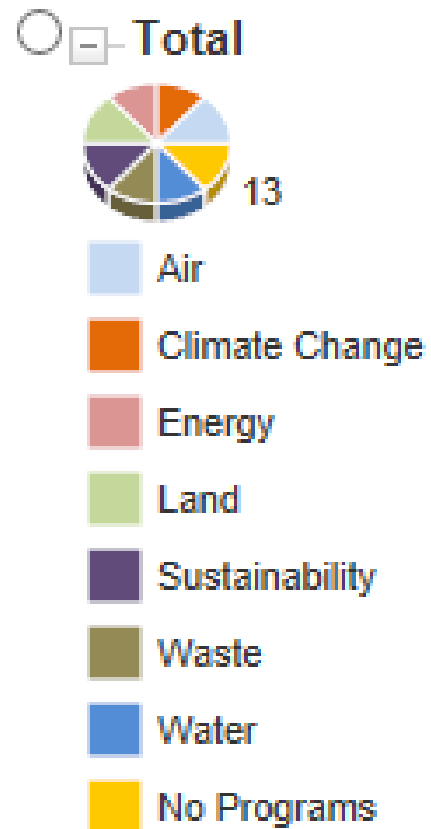


What is already being done?

## Community Achievements by Category (normalized)



# Results – Kane County is Quite Green!



# What has already been accomplished in Kane County?

Limited list - From GRC database

## Certificate of Environmental Achievement

Presented to **Kane County**  
for these noteworthy achievements in environmental sustainability:

- Energy Efficiency CBG Allocation Program
- Chicago Area Clean Cities Coalition
- Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ)
- DNR Bike Program
- Earth Hour City Challenge
- Emerald Ash Borer Grant
- ICECF Natural Areas
- Illinois Recycling Association Member
- Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program
- Partners for Clean Air
- Product Stewardship Institute Members
- RTA Community Planning
- Sustainable Watershed Action Team (SWAT-2008-2013)
- WaterSense Partner
- Watershed plan

Kane County accomplished this work from 2007-2014 prior to the adoption of the Greenest Region Compact 2.

Presented by the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus Environment Committee



John Ostenburg, Mayor, Park Forest,  
Chairman

April 26, 2017



# Building the GRC2 – step 2

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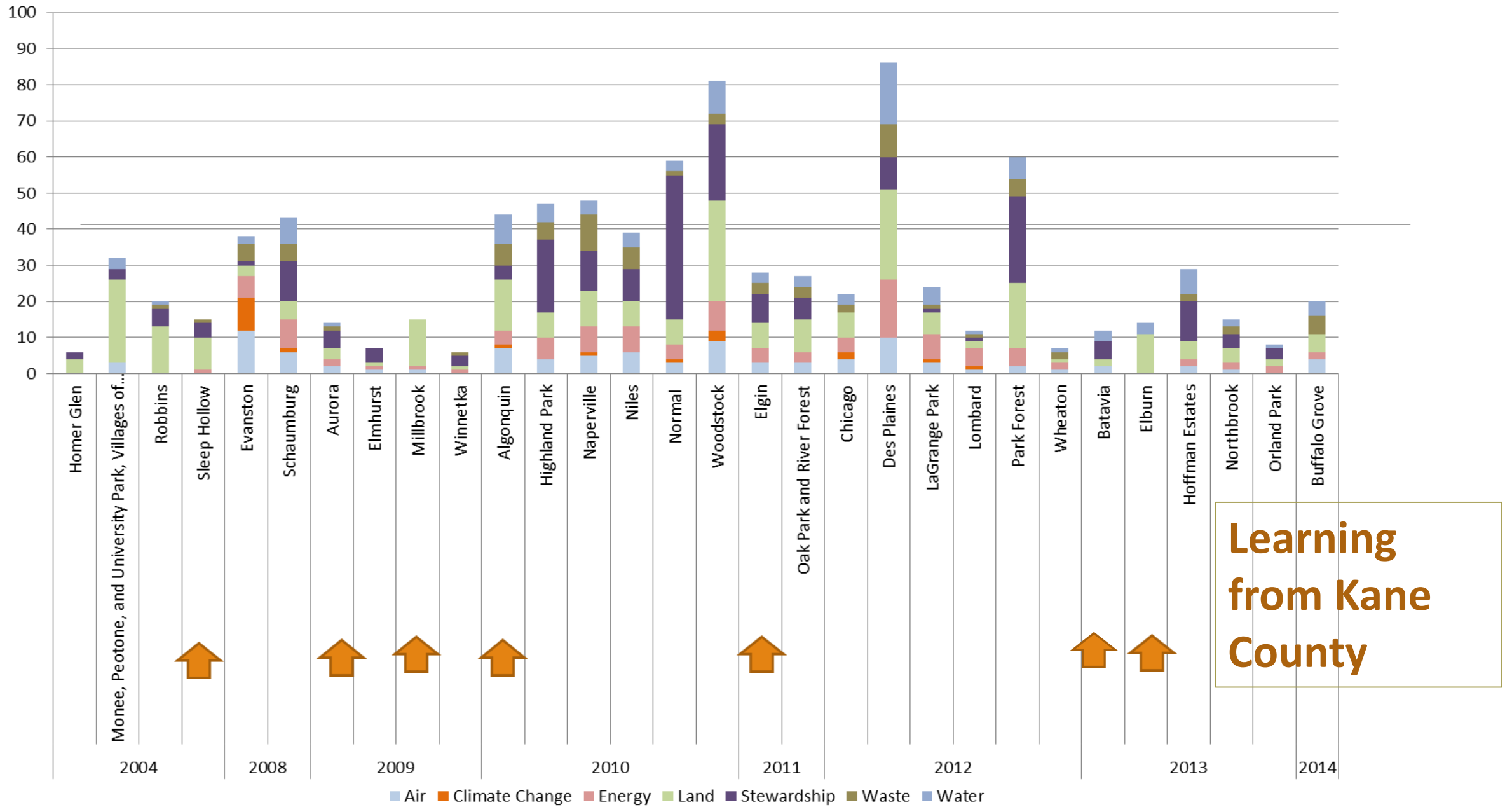
1. What is already planned?
2. What are common priorities?

*TO ANSWER THOSE QUESTIONS -*

## ➤ Analyzed existing sustainability plans

- 30 local plans
- 9 regional/national plans
- 1149 specific sustainability goals





Learning from Kane County



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# Putting it all together

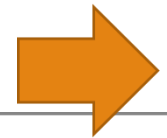
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CONSENSUS GRC GOALS



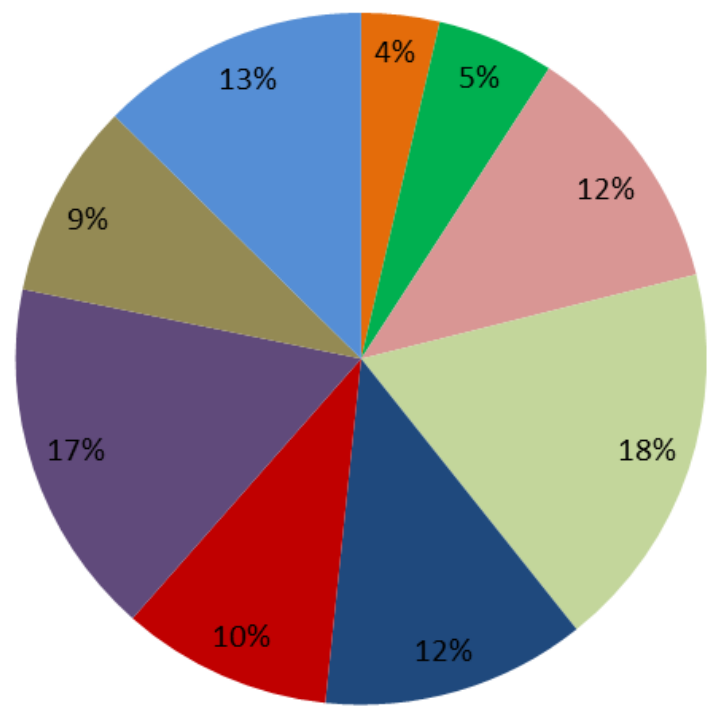
# Consensus GRC Goals

From ALL Sustainability Goals



To GRC2 Goals

## 1149 Municipal Sustainability Goals Analyzed



- Climate
- Economic Development
- Energy
- Land
- Mobility
- Municipal Operations
- Sustainable Communities
- Waste & Recycling
- Water



49 Goals Total

# The Greenest Region Compact

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## *Consensus Sustainability Goals in 10 Categories*

 Climate

 Economic Development

 Energy

 Land

 Leadership

 Mobility

 Municipal Operations

 Sustainable Communities

 Water

 Waste



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# Greenest Region Compact

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ADVANCING SUSTAINABILITY IN COMMUNITIES AND THE REGION  
IN THREE PARTS



# Part 1 - Greenest Region Compact (GRC)



COLLABORATING FOR SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES

The member municipalities of the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus seek a vibrant, sustainable future for their communities and the greater Chicago region. The consensus goals of the Greenest Region Compact aim for enhanced quality of life for residents; protection and stewardship of the environment and sustainable economic vitality.

To become the most sustainable and successful region in the United States, they, therefore, support the following consensus goals of the Greenest Region Compact and agree to work to achieve them, both in their own communities and in collaboration throughout the region:



#### Climate

- Reduce greenhouse gas emissions
- Maintain clean and healthful air
- Develop resiliency to climate change impacts
- Engage the community in climate change mitigation and adaptation



#### Economic Development

- Promote innovation and a competitive workforce
- Cultivate local and sustainable development, jobs, and businesses



#### Energy

- Use energy for buildings and facilities efficiently
- Advance renewable energy
- Reduce energy consumption
- Enact policies that support clean energy
- Engage the community in clean energy practices



#### Land

- Encourage strategic development that upholds sustainability principles
- Conserve, restore and enhance natural features and ecosystems
- Support networks of accessible, well-used, and enjoyable parks
- Sustain a robust urban forest canopy
- Sustain beautiful landscapes that provide ecosystem services
- Achieve greater livability through sustainable land use and housing policies
- Cultivate a conservation ethic in the community



#### Leadership

- Enlist support for GRC2 goals through regional, state and national leadership
- Advocate for policies that align with and advance the GRC2
- Work collaboratively towards a sustainable region



#### Mobility

- Support safe and effective active transportation
- Maintain a diverse, safe, and efficient transportation network
- Support efficient transportation that uses resources wisely
- Integrate sustainability into transportation policies, programs, and regulations
- Promote public and sustainable transportation choices



#### Municipal Operations

- Lead by demonstrating sustainable values and practices
- Integrate sustainability into all municipal operations
- Operate a safe, clean and efficient fleet
- Collect and manage data to advance sustainability



#### Sustainable Communities

- Promote cultural vibrancy in the community
- Foster a culture of health, safety, and wellness
- Increase access to sustainably grown local food
- Sustain community principles that are welcoming, inclusive and equitable
- Promote a sustainable identity for the community
- Ensure local policies and codes support sustainability
- Cultivate community values based on principles of sustainability



#### Waste & Recycling

- Support sustainable material management
- Recycle materials across all sectors
- Divert waste from landfills
- Enact policies that cause sustainable material management
- Engage the community in waste reduction and recycling



#### Water

- Use and distribute water efficiently
- Protect and improve water quality
- Manage water system assets sustainably
- Optimize the use of natural and built systems to manage stormwater
- Practice stewardship of water resources
- Enact policies to protect water resources
- Engage the community in water stewardship



# Part 1 - Greenest Region *Compact* (GRC)

MUNICIPALITY PASSES A  
RESOLUTION SUPPORTING  
GOALS

R-16-5

## A Resolution Endorsing the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus' Greenest Region Compact 2

- WHEREAS,** the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus provides a forum for the chief elected officials of the Chicago region to develop consensus and act on common public policy issues and multi-jurisdictional challenges; and
- WHEREAS,** the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus' participating Mayors and their communities have a history of environmental stewardship, from energy efficiency, water conservation, urban forestry, and participation in Clean Air Counts; and
- WHEREAS,** it is important for Mayors and local governments throughout the United States to take leadership roles to advance sustainability both in their own communities and in concert with regional, national and global initiatives; and
- WHEREAS,** the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus created the Greenest Region Compact 2 to address environmental sustainability issues of global importance at the local level; and
- WHEREAS,** the Greenest Region Compact 2, also called the GRC2, is built on important environmental initiatives already underway in communities, in partnership with many non-profit, state, regional and national organizations; and
- WHEREAS,** the GRC2 synthesizes sustainability goals already adopted by leading communities in the region; and these consensus goals align with common regional, state, national and global objectives; and
- WHEREAS,** the GRC2 offers a companion Framework to guide communities of all sizes and strengths to assess their current efforts; develop a sustainability plan suited to local priorities; and will offer resources to help them succeed; and
- WHEREAS,** the consensus goals of the Greenest Region Compact 2 will guide coordinated efforts toward enhanced quality of life for residents; protection and stewardship of the environment and sustainable economic vitality.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Village of Park Forest endorses the attached Greenest Region Compact 2 proposed by the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus and agrees to work to achieve them, both in Park Forest and in collaboration throughout the region.

**ADOPTED** this 21st day of March, 2016.

**APPROVED:**

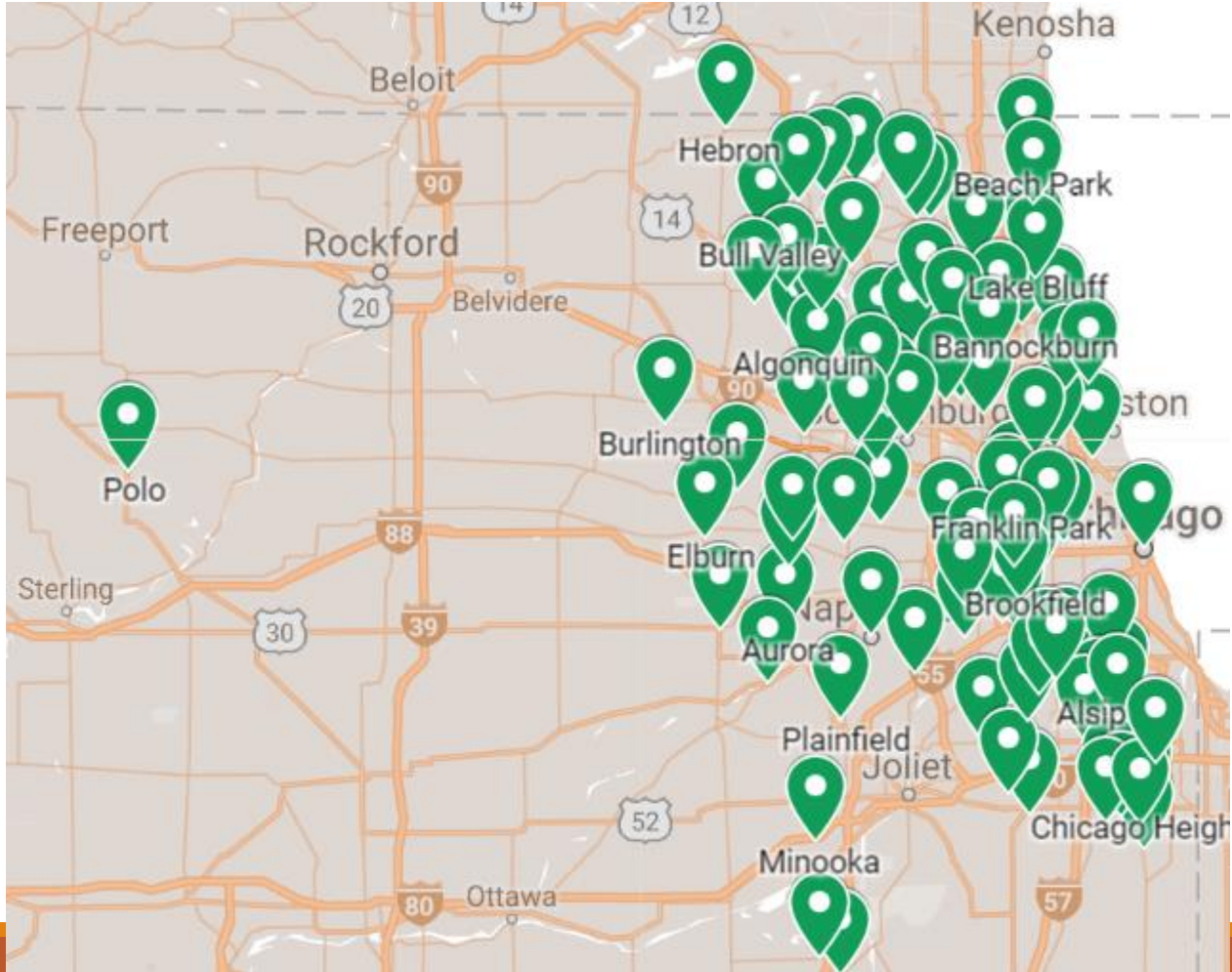
  
John A. Ostenburg, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
Village Clerk Deputy Clerk

# GRC Adopters

109 municipalities  
10 COGS



- Barrington Area Council of Governments
- Lake County Municipal League
- McHenry County Council of Governments
- Metro West Council of Governments**
- Northwest Municipal Conference
- South Suburban Mayors & Managers
- Southwest Conference of Mayors
- West Central Municipal Conference
- Will County Government League
- DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference

# Kane County GRC Communities

**Algonquin**

**Aurora**

**Batavia**

**Burlington**

**Campton Hills**

**Carpentersville**

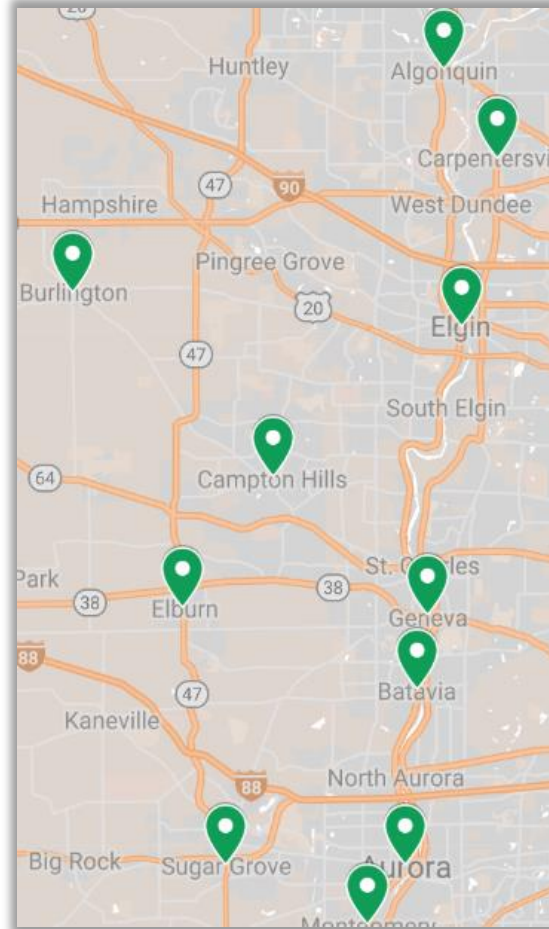
**Elburn**

**Elgin**

**Geneva**

**Montgomery**

**Sugar Grove**





# Part 2 - The GRC *Framework*



## Compilation of all Common Objectives, Strategies

- From all plans
- Aligns with regional, national, global objectives
- Links to resources & existing programs
- Offers steps to achieve GRC2 Goals
- **Can be the Framework for your own sustainability plan**
  - To use - Select suitable objectives
- **No reporting or commitment required**

Your plans for each



**OBJECTIVE**

> STRATEGY

+ ADVANCED STRATEGY

GRC2 goal

Category

**GOAL**

Lead by Example


*Lead by demonstrating sustainable values and practices*

MO1  
MO2  
MO4  
MO6  
MO6a  
MO6b

**Support or create an interdisciplinary team to coordinate internal sustainability efforts**  
**Dedicate staff to direct sustainability initiatives**  
**Educate and train staff on sustainability practices**  
**Formalize sustainability goals and plans**  
 >Adopt the Greenest Region Compact 2  
 >Use the GRC2 Framework to create a sustainability plan and formally adopt it

Already achieved	In Progress	Planned for next 6 months	Planned for next 12-18 months	Interested in pursuing	Not planned	Not relevant	Contact Initials	Notes	Link to Resource
									<a href="#">Y</a>
									<a href="#">Y</a>

GRC2 objectives/ strategies

MUNICIPAL OPERATIC	Category	GOAL	 <b>OBJECTIVE</b> <i>Pat yourself on the back</i> <b>&gt; STRATEGY</b>  <b>+ ADVANCED STRATEGY</b>	Already achieved	In Progress	Planned for next 6 months	Planned for next 12-18 months	Interested in pursuing	Not planned	Not relevant	Contact Initials	Notes	Link to Resource				
				<b>Lead by Example</b> <i>Lead by demonstrating sustainable values and practices</i>	<b>MO1</b>	Support or create an interdisciplinary team to coordinate internal sustainability efforts	X										
					<b>MO2</b>	Dedicate staff to direct sustainability initiatives	X										
<b>MO3</b>	Leverage state/federal and private grants and resources to advance sustainability																
<b>MO4</b>	Educate and train staff on sustainability practices																
<b>MO5</b>	Achieve third party certification for sustainable public facilities												<a href="#">Y</a>				
<b>MO5a</b>	>Achieve LEED or Green Globes certification for public buildings												<a href="#">Y</a>				
<b>MO6</b>	Formalize sustainability goals and plans																
<b>MO6a</b>	>Adopt the Greenest Region Compact 2	X											<a href="#">Y</a>				
<b>MO6b</b>	>Use the GRC2 Framework to create a sustainability plan and formally adopt it												<a href="#">Y</a>				



**OBJECTIVE**

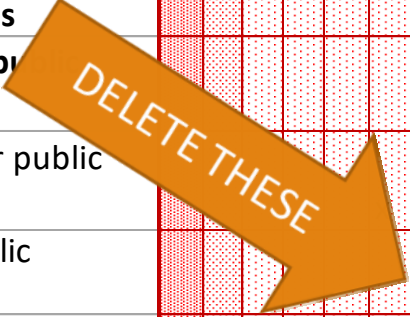
> STRATEGY

+ ADVANCED STRATEGY

Category

**GOAL**

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									<a href="#">Y</a>
									<a href="#">Y</a>
									<a href="#">Y</a>
						x			<a href="#">Y</a>
						x			<a href="#">Y</a>
x									<a href="#">Y</a>
									<a href="#">Y</a>



MUNICIPAL OPERATIONS

Lead by Example

*Lead by demonstrating sustainable values and practices*

MO1  
MO2  
MO3  
MO4  
MO5  
MO5a  
MO5b  
MO5c  
MO6  
MO6a  
MO6b

Support or create an interdisciplinary team to coordinate internal sustainability efforts

Dedicate staff to direct sustainability initiatives

Leverage state/federal and private grants and resources to advance sustainability

Educate and train staff on sustainability practices

Achieve third party certification for sustainable public facilities

>Achieve LEED or Green Globes certification for public buildings

>Achieve Sustainable Sites Certification for public landscapes

>Achieve ENVISION certification for public infrastructure

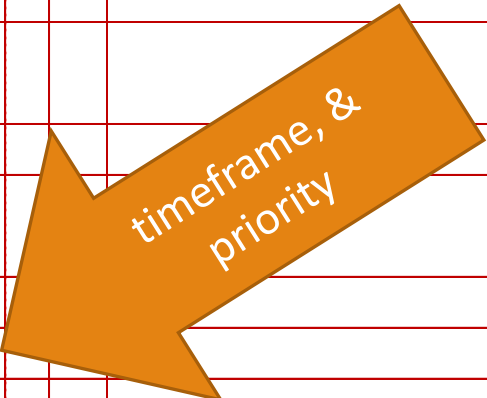
Formalize sustainability goals and plans

>Adopt the Greenest Region Compact 2

>Use the GRC2 Framework to create a sustainability plan and formally adopt it

# GRC2 Framework Municipal Operations Sample Page

MUNICIPAL OP	Category	 <b>GOAL</b>	OBJECTIVE	Already achieved	In Progress	Planned for next 6 months	Planned for next 12-18 months	Interested in pursuing	Not planned	Not relevant	Contact Initials	Notes	Link to Resource		
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			+ ADVANCED STRATEGY												
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		MO3	Leverage state/federal and private grants and resources to advance sustainability												
		MO4	Educate and train staff on sustainability practices												
		MO5	Achieve third party certification for sustainable public facilities											<a href="#">Y</a>	
		MO6	Formalize sustainability goals and plans												
		MO6a	>Adopt the Greenest Region Compact 2			X								<a href="#">Y</a>	
		MO6b	>Use the GRC2 Framework to create a sustainability plan and formally adopt it					X						<a href="#">Y</a>	



## Part 3 –GRC *Supportive Programs*

### Collaborative programs to realize GRC2 goals *regionally*

- Leverage municipal consensus
- Grants
  - Collaborative grant *seeking*
    - SolSmart
    - AmeriCorps
  - GRC favored to *receive* grants
  - Collaborative programs
- Planned reporting & tracking
- Planned recognition



# GRC2 Framework Solar Energy Example



## OBJECTIVE

> STRATEGY

+ ADVANCED STRATEGY

Already achieved

In Progress

Planned for next 6 months

Planned for next 12-18 months

Interested in pursuing

Not planned

Not relevant

Contact Initials

Notes

Link to Resource

Category

GOAL

Renewable Energy

*Advance renewable energy*

E13

Support the adoption of renewable energy technologies in the community

E13a

>Adopt codes and permitting practices that support renewable energy systems in the community

E16

Develop renewable energy capacity targeting underutilized public properties (i.e. brownfields)

E+17

+ Collaborate to provide access to community solar

**Sol Smart – MMC Cohort**

**Future Energy Jobs Act - \$650 million for solar**

ENERGY

Policy

*Enact policies that support clean energy*

E25

Facilitate the adoption of renewable energy technologies (i.e. solar, geothermal) by adapting building and zoning codes

E+29

+ Negotiate franchise agreement with utilities to exercise lump sum payment option to finance clean energy



# SolSmart

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- MMC led cohort earned SolSmart
  - 12 municipalities
  - Kane was one of 3 counties
- Second cohort 22 municipalities
- Streamline codes & policies to promote solar development





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Greenest Region Compact

[http://mayorscaucus.org/initiatives/  
environment/rec/](http://mayorscaucus.org/initiatives/environment/rec/)

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**Greenest  
Region  
Compact**

COLLABORATING FOR SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES

# Greenest Region Compact for Kane County

February 15, 2019

# County Benefits

- ▶ **Credit for sustainability achievements**
- ▶ **Advances Kane County's Operational Sustainability Plan**  
(Coordinating with regional efforts is third component of 3 part plan)
- ▶ **Guides future sustainability activities**  
(links best practices with Operational Sustainability Plan)
- ▶ **Gain GRC Resources**  
(including self-assessment tools)

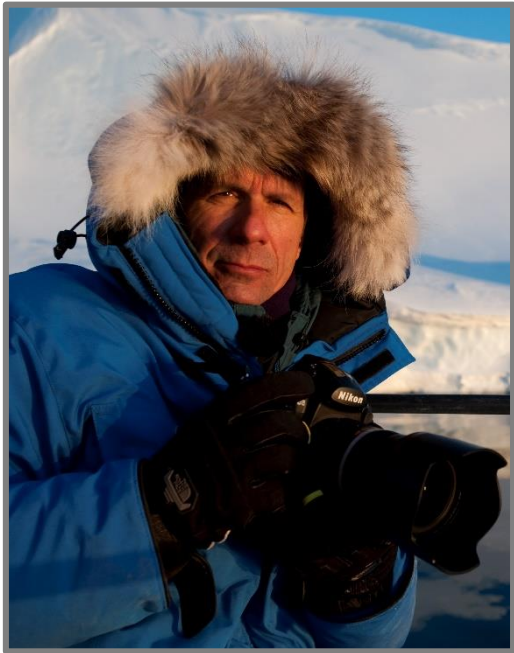
# Sustainability Achievements

► Preliminary assessment showed:

Category	Already Achieved	In Progress/Ongoing
Land Use	16	40
Recycling	11	5
Water	28	12

# What next?

- ▶ Asking for approval for County Staff to:
  - ❑ Conduct a thorough evaluation of the County's accomplishments using the GRC Framework
  - ❑ Work with the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus to tailor GRC language specifically to County if needed
  
- ▶ Next month, present:
  - ❑ Evaluation of County's current accomplishments using the GRC Framework
  - ❑ Resolution to adopt GRC



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Waubonsee Community College – Aurora Downtown Campus

March 4 at 7pm

Doors open at 6pm for Sustainability Resource Fair