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## **Green Building United Hosts Ninth Annual Sustainability Symposium**

The Symposium will gather experts and industry professionals from across the region and beyond to explore today's most pressing green building and sustainability issues

Philadelphia, PA, April 24, 2019 – Green Building United, a green building education and advocacy nonprofit, will host its ninth annual Sustainability Symposium on Friday, May 3. Held at Penn State at the Navy Yard in Philadelphia, the Symposium invites industry professionals to gather for a full day of educational sessions led by experts across the region as they discuss their current work, opportunities for social, environmental, and economic impact, and challenges ahead in the sustainability field. Sessions will cover cutting edge green building and sustainability topics and industry best practices, including LEED, Passive House, Living Building Challenge, Enterprise Green Communities, WELL, green stormwater infrastructure and 2030 Districts.

"The need for thoughtful discussion on sustainable building and meaningful collaboration has never been more important than it is now," says Alex Dews, Executive Director of Green Building United. "We look forward to another year of providing a platform for industry experts to engage with their peers in the spirit of creating positive change in the Philadelphia region and beyond."

## **Agenda Details**

The Symposium is comprised of five concurrent education sessions in eight unique categories: energy, equity, green spaces, health, materials, policy, solar and other. The Symposium also offer four rain or shine <u>tours</u> focused on energy, green stormwater infrastructure, cutting edge construction, LEED, adaptive reuse, among other topics.

Session highlights from this year's agenda include:

- The 2030 Challenge for Planning: Reducing transportation emissions
- Headlining the Industry: How media shapes the sustainability narrative
- LEED in the City: Lessons learned by the City of Philadelphia
- WELL and Fitwel: Fads or keys in our evolution towards sustainable, livable work spaces?
- Renewables, Nuclear, and How Pennsylvania's Electricity Grid Might Change
- We Should Know Better: Top 10 multifamily design mistakes

Symposium attendees are also welcome to join Green Building United after the conference for a happy hour in URBN's Acid Bath room. For a full schedule of events, please visit our <u>website</u>. To learn more and register for the Sustainability Symposium, click <u>here</u>.

## **About Green Building United**

Green Building United, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, is committed to promoting sustainable building in Greater Philadelphia, the Lehigh Valley and Delaware. Through education and advocacy, Green Building United aims to create a sustainable, healthy and resilient built environment for all. Green Building United offers it members and partners a wide variety of resources, tools and events to help

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