## **Sustainability Overview**







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## City of Champaign Council Goals for Sustainability

#### Focus began in 2007

- Sustainability Task Force (2008)
- Sustainability Inventory (2008)
- EECBG (2009-2012)
- Partner in Regional Sustainability Inventory Efforts (2010)







# City of Urbana Sustainability Efforts

- 12 broad sustainability goals established (2010)
- Sustainability Advisory Commission (2008)
- EECBG (2009-2012)
- Partner in Regional Sustainability Inventory Efforts (2010)
- Climate Action Plan (2011)









## University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Sustainability Efforts

- Climate Action Plan, submitted May 2010
- Inaugural Sustainability Week, Fall 2010
- Student Sustainability Fee
- Campus Area Transportation Study (CATS)







## Regional Sustainability Inventory 2010

http://www.ccrpc.org/sustainability/inventory.php

#### Metropolitan Intergovernmental Council

- Purpose
- Members
- Structure Informal but regularly scheduled meetings
- Champaign County Regional Planning Commission
- Sustainability Practitioners







### **Sustainability Practitioners**

- Purpose
- Practitioners
  - Who they are
- Process
  - Survey all agencies
  - RPC staff facilitates meetings, prepares reports and reports to MIC

- Responsibility
  - update and maintain inventory
  - identify initiatives/projects for collaboration







#### **Best Practice Projects**

#### Zipcar

- Car share program
- Champaign, Urbana, University of Illinois, and C-U Mass Transit District
  - First program of its kind
  - 6 cars initially in January 2009
  - \$109,000 guarantee
  - March, 2010 released from guarantee
  - 600 local members
  - 11 cars currently











### **Best Practice Projects**

- Campus Area Transportation Study
  - CATS partners include the CUUATS, Champaign, Urbana, University and CUMTD
  - Looks comprehensively at transportation issues
  - Pedestrian, bicycle, transit and vehicle movement
  - All jurisdictions, all agencies serving the campus area

www.ccrpc.org/CATS/index.php







#### **Best Practice Projects**

- Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) Vehicle Fueling Station
  - Fleet managers from all three entities currently working to bring a CNG station to town
  - CNG: reduce carbon & PM emissions, existing distribution network, costs less per equivalent unit than gas, works across range of vehicles, reduce dependence on foreign oil
  - Series of meetings to discuss strategies for cooperation, funding, vehicle conversions, locating additional partners, etc.







#### **Future Opportunities**

Improved collaboration on development & implementation of:

- Climate Action Plans
- Sustainability Plans
- •Recycling Initiatives
- Local Foods
- Education & Outreach

- Regional Sustainability Inventory
- Bike Plans
- Regional Trails
- Energy Projects

Recognize the strengths and limitations of each organization. Try to utilize each others' strengths & expertise when possible.







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