

Zero Waste Forum Day 1 - Wednesday, April 22nd, 2026

Starts	Ends	Type/Bucket	Activity Title and Description	Speakers/Panelists	Organization	
8:30 AM	9:15 AM	Registration, coffee, networking	Expo: Sponsored Education Stations			
9:15 AM	9:20 AM	Opening Address & Welcome 1	Welcome to Park City!	Teresa Bradley & Jill Donello	Race to Zero Waste & GreenEducation.US	
9:20 AM	9:30 AM	Opening Address & Welcome 2	Waste Reduction Efforts: The Past, Present & Future of Park City	Celia Peterson	Park City, Utah	
9:30 AM	9:50 AM	Keynote Address 1	A Welcome by the Original People & The Full Restoration of the Bear River Massacre Site	Bradley Parry	The Northwestern Band of the Shoshone Nation	
9:50 AM	10:10 AM	Keynote Address 2	Honoring Nature's Rights through Zero Waste	Britt Gondolfi	Bioneers	
10:10 AM	10:30 AM	Keynote Address 3	Choosing a Life Without Trash and discovering a Zero Waste Lifestyle	Samuel McMullen	ZeroWaste.org	
10:30 AM	10:40 AM	Buffer				
10:40 AM	10:55 AM	COFFEE & BIO BREAK				
Theme: "From Footprints to Handprints: Business Pathways to Zero Waste Tourism"						
10:55 AM	11:05 AM	Lightning Talk	From Trash to Transformation: How Philanthropy Sparked a Countywide Shift in Waste Systems	Andy Hecht	Recycle Utah	
11:05 AM	11:20 AM	ZW Session	Disposable-Free Communities: How Local Activism is Powering the Reuse Revolution	Miriam Gordon	The Story of Stuff Project	
11:20 AM	11:35 AM	ZW Session	reFill the Future: How the Tourism Economy Can Lead the Zero Waste Revolution	Kimberly Flores	fulFILLed Lifestyle Co.	
11:35 AM	11:50 AM	ZW Session	How to Transition Cities to Adopt Returnable Packaging Systems	Brittany Gamez	Muuse	
11:50 AM	12:20 PM	Panel	Zero Waste Events	Allison Brown, Delaney Demro, & Celeste McMickle. Moderator: Morgan Mingle	Weber State University Energy & Sustainability Office, Center for Sustainable Materials Management, TRUE US Green Building Council, Park City	
12:20 PM	12:30 PM	Buffer				
12:30 PM	1:45 PM	Exhibit Lunch & Networking (gluten-free vegan pizza or vegan sandwiches)				
Theme: Ground-Up Governance: Building Circular Communities Through Reuse and Reclamation						
1:45 PM	2:05 PM	Afternoon Keynote	ReUSE Park	Pål Mårtensson	World Cleanup Day	
2:05 PM	2:15 PM	Buffer				
2:15 PM	2:30 PM	ZW Session	Deconstruction: Opportunities for Diversion & Reuse of the Highest Waste Streams	Daniel Salmon	The Reuse People of America	
2:30 PM	2:45 PM	ZW Session	From Electronics to Energy: Building Circular Systems That Support Zero Waste Communities and Tourism	Robert Laughlin	MEtech	
2:45 PM	3:00 PM	ZW Session	Passing an EPR Bill in the Heartland	Kimberly Carroll Steward	Nebraska Recycling Alliance	
3:00 PM	3:15 PM	ZW Session	Zero Waste Cities: How Sharing Platforms Transform Waste Economics and Citizen Engagement	Anaís Majidier	The Partage Club	
3:15 PM	3:25 PM	Buffer & instructions for attending Zero Waste Labs				
3:25 PM	3:35 PM	COFFEE & BIO BREAK				
Zero Waste Labs: provide a space where attendees engage in hands-on activities and discussions related to a specific topic						
3:40 PM	4:30 PM	Zero Waste Lab #1	Addressing Skepticism in Recycling: Strategies to Build Public Confidence through Municipal Outreach	Lydia Keenan, Jenny Wendt, & Alec Cooley	The Recycling Partnership, MidAmerica Clean Future Alliance, Busch Systems	
3:40 PM	4:30 PM	Zero Waste Lab #2	Launching Successful Community-Driven Reuse Programs & Campaigns	Sloane Pagal, Evan Belk, & Brittany Gamez	Zero Waste Sonoma, Race to Zero Waste, and Muuse	
3:40 PM	4:30 PM	Zero Waste Lab #3	The Value of Zero Waste in Businesses & Institutions	Marcel Howard, Celeste McMickle, & Jeremy Drake	GAIA, TRUE and Strategy Zero Waste Solutions	
3:40 PM	4:30 PM	Zero Waste Lab #4	Driving Policy to Shape Circular Solutions	Jordan McNamara & Kristine Kubat	Center for Climate Integrity and Recycle Hawai'i	
4:30 PM	4:35 PM	Back to the Auditorium				
4:35 PM	4:55 PM	Zero Waste Spotlight	The Back End of the Zero Waste Hierarchy: Encouraging Best Practices through Zero Waste Principles & How Energy Consumption relates to Zero Waste	Mike Ewall	Energy Justice Network	
4:55 PM	5:20 PM	Panel	Youth Education and Community Engagement Strategies that Encourage Zero Waste Behavior and Increase the Health of Park City	Dr. Sami Romanick, Dana Grinnell, & Dennis Uyat	Save Our Sodus, Free Living CO, & Zero Waste USA	
5:20 PM	5:30 PM	Wrap Up			Race to Zero Waste	

Zero Waste Forum Day 2 - Thursday, April 23rd

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8:30 AM	9:00 AM	Registration, coffee, networking	Expo: Sponsored Education Stations		
9:00 AM	9:05 AM	Opening Address & Welcome	Opening Address & Welcome 1 (Race to Zero Waste Impact Report)	Sloane Pagal	Race to Zero Waste President & Zero Waste Sonoma
9:05 AM	9:20 AM	Keynote Address 1	How the Past Informs the Future of Zero Waste	Linda Christopher	Race to Zero Waste
9:20 AM	9:40 AM	Keynote Address 2	UN Resources to Achieve Zero Waste: Diving into Global Zero Waste Strategies	Dr. Vijay Jagannathan	World Resources Institute
9:40 AM	10:00 AM	Keynote Address 3	Community Action Against Plastic Waste in Africa, Asia Pacific, and Latin America	Ahmed Tiamiyu	CAPws (Community Action Against Plastic Waste)
10:00 AM	10:10 AM	Sustainability in Action Awards	Conferral of the Sustainability in Action Awards	Sloane Pagal & Teresa Bradley	Race to Zero Waste
10:10 AM	10:25 AM	COFFEE & BIO BREAK			
Theme: How Local Communities Organize to Achieve Zero Waste					
10:30 AM	10:50 AM	Zero Waste Spotlight	How South Florida is Turning Away from Incineration and Adopting Zero Waste	Amanda Di Perna & Richard Ramcharitar	Debris Free Oceans & Broward Clean Air
10:50 AM	11:05 AM	ZW Session	Artificial Turf Policy in Missoula Montana	Jeremy Drake	MT Plastic Free Missoula
11:05 AM	11:20 AM	ZW Session	Mobilizing Community-Driven Resources & Solutions in the U.S.	Marcel Howard	GAIA (Global Alliance for Incinerator Alternatives)
11:20 AM	11:35 AM	ZW Session	Indigenous Voices in the Pacific Northwest	Bobbi Barnowsky	TSWAN (Tribal Solid Waste Action Network)
11:35 AM	11:50 AM	ZW Session	From Fix-It-Clinics to CHaRM events: How the Utah Recycling Alliance is Creating an Accessible and Programatic Zero Waste Future Statewide	James Flock	Utah Recycling Alliance
11:50 AM	12:20 PM	Panel	Women in Circularity	Mary Ellen Etienne. Panelists TBA.	
12:20 PM	1:25 PM	Exhibit Lunch & Networking (gluten-free vegan pizza or vegan sandwiches)			
Theme: Zero Waste Food Systems -- No Food Left Behind: Collaborative Approaches to Food Waste					
1:30 PM	1:50 PM	Afternoon Keynote	US Food Waste Pact	David Ly	ReFED
1:50 PM	2:00 PM	Lightning Talk	Philanthropy as a Catalyst for Zero Waste: Funding the Systems That Make Sustainability Possible	Joel Zarrow	Park City Community Foundation
2:00 PM	2:15 PM	ZW Session	Zero Waste Tourism: Tackling Food Waste in Short-Term Rentals	Alexx Goeller	Wasteless Solutions
2:15 PM	2:25 PM	Buffer			
2:25 PM	2:40 PM	ZW Session	Zero Waste to Zero Hunger: Community-Powered Food System Transformation	Christopher Dipnarine	4MyCiTy Inc.
2:40 PM	2:55 PM	ZW Session	Food Rescue Alliance: Community-Led Food Rescue Initiatives Powered by Collaboration	Hayden Dansky	Food Rescue Alliance
2:55 PM	3:10 PM	ZW Session	Passing a Single-Use Disposable Ordinance & Food Waste Reduction Policy on Hawai'i Island	Kristine Kubat	Recycle Hawai'i
3:10 PM	3:15 PM	Buffer			
3:15 PM	3:30 PM	STRETCH & BIO BREAK			
3:30 PM	3:55 PM	Panel	Using Technology for Zero Waste & Data Driven Solutions	Jamie Anderson, Emin Israfil, & Anaïs Majdier	Rootable, Rubbish, & The Partage Club
3:55 PM	4:05 PM	Lightning Talk	Zero Waste Textiles: Regenerate, Mend, and Upcycle	Rachael Lauritzen	High Desert Utah Fibershed
4:05 PM	4:15 PM	Wrap Up	Closing Remarks & Key Takeaways	Linda Christopher	Race to Zero Waste