

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	Check-in, badge pick-up, coffee, networking	Expo: Sponsored Education Stations			
9:15 AM	9:25 AM	Take Your Seats	Enter the Auditorium			
9:25 AM	9:30 AM	Land Acknowledgement	Recognizing the Timpanogos, Newe Sogobia (Eastern Shoshone), Nuu-agma-tuvu-py (Ute)	Britt Gondolfi	Bioneers	
9:30 AM	9:40 AM	Opening Address & Welcome 1	Welcome to Park City & Happy Earth Day!	Teresa Bradley & Steve Jewett	Race to Zero Waste & EARTHDAY.ORG	
9:30 AM	9:50 AM	Opening Address & Welcome 2	Waste Reduction Efforts: The Past, Present, & Future of Park City	Celia Peterson	Park City, Utah	
9:50 AM	10:05 AM	Keynote Address 1	How the Past Informs the Future of Zero Waste	Linda Christopher	Race to Zero Waste	
10:05 AM	10:25 AM	Keynote Address 2	Honoring Nature's Rights through Zero Waste	Britt Gondolfi	Bioneers	
10:25 AM	10:45 AM	Keynote Address 3	Getting People in the Door: Pathways to Participation in Zero Waste	Samuel McMullen	ZeroWaste.org	
10:45 AM	10:50 AM	Buffer				
10:50 AM	11:05 AM	COFFEE & BIO BREAK				
11:05 AM	11:10 AM	Take Your Seats	Return to the Auditorium			
Theme: "From Footprints to Handprints: Business Pathways to Zero Waste Tourism"						
11:10 AM	11:25 AM	Lightning Talk	From Trash to Transformation: How Philanthropy Sparked a Countywide Shift in Waste Systems	Andy Hecht	Recycle Utah	
11:25 AM	11:40 AM	ZW Session	reFill the Future: How the Tourism Economy Can Lead the Zero Waste Revolution	Kimberly Flores	fulFILLed Lifestyle Co.	
11:40 AM	11:55 AM	ZW Session	How to Transition Cities to Adopt Returnable Packaging Systems	Kaeleigh Doherty	Muuse	
11:55 AM	12:25 PM	Panel	Zero Waste Events	Allison Brown, Delaney Demro, & Celeste McMickle. Moderator: Linda Christopher	Weber State University Energy & Sustainability Office, Center for Sustainable Materials Management, TRUE US Green Building Council	
12:25 PM	12:30 PM	Buffer				
12:30 PM	1:40 PM	Exhibit, Lunch, & Networking. Lunch by Loco Lizard Tacos				
1:40 PM	1:45 PM	Take Your Seats	Return to the Auditorium			
Theme: Ground-Up Governance: Building Circular Communities Through Reuse and Reclamation						
1:45 PM	2:05 PM	Afternoon Keynote	The Story of the World's First and Biggest Reuse Park	Pål Mårtensson	World Cleanup Day	
2:05 PM	2:15 PM	Buffer				
2:15 PM	2:30 PM	ZW Session	A.W.F.U.L. by Design: Stopping the State-Sponsored Erasure of Our Wealth	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	3:10 PM	Buffer & instructions for attending Zero Waste Labs				
3:10 PM	3:25 PM	COFFEE & BIO BREAK				
3:25 PM	3:30 PM	Go to Your Lab	Move to your respective Zero Waste Lab			
Zero Waste Labs: provide a space where attendees engage in hands-on activities and discussions related to a specific topic						
3:30 PM	4:30 PM	Zero Waste Lab #1 - Auditorium	Addressing Skepticism in Recycling: Strategies to Build Public Confidence through Municipal Outreach	Lydia Keenan & Alec Cooley	The Recycling Partnership & Busch Systems	
3:30 PM	4:30 PM	Zero Waste Lab #2 - Room 101	Launching Successful Reuse Programs & Campaigns	Sloane Pagal, Evan Belk, & Kaeleigh Doherty	Zero Waste Sonoma, Race to Zero Waste, and Muuse	
3:30 PM	4:30 PM	Zero Waste Lab #3 - Room 201	Beyond False Solutions: The Value of Zero Waste in Businesses & Institutions	Marcel Howard, Celeste McMickle, & Jeremy Drake	GAIA, TRUE, and Strategy Zero Waste Solutions	
3:30 PM	4:30 PM	Zero Waste Lab #4 - Room 301	Corporate Accountability for Real 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	5:25 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, & Harvey Matson	Save Our Sodus, Free Living CO, Zero Waste USA, & Park City Schools	
5:25 PM	5:30 PM	Thank you and Wrap Up		Teresa Bradley	Race to Zero Waste	

Zero Waste Forum Day 2 - Thursday, April 23rd

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8:15 AM	8:45 AM	Registration, coffee, networking	Expo: Sponsored Education Stations			
8:45 AM	8:50 AM	Opening Address & Welcome	Opening Address & Welcome 1 (Race to Zero Waste Impact Report)	Sloane Pagal	Race to Zero Waste President & Zero Waste Sonoma	
8:50 AM	9:10 AM	Keynote Address 1	United Nations Resources to Achieve Zero Waste: Diving into Global Zero Waste Strategies	Dr. Vijay Jagannathan	World Resources Institute	
9:10 AM	9:30 AM	Keynote Address 2	Zero Waste to Zero Hunger: Community-Powered Food System Transformation	Christopher Dipnarine	4MyCiTy Inc.	
9:30 AM	9:50 AM	Keynote Address 3	Mele & Hula (Chant & Dance) & Zero Waste Youth Alliance	Alesha 'Ulu' Makuakane, Roxie Casteneda, Kona Smith, & Kristine Kubat	Recycle Hawai'i & Zero Waste Youth Alliance	
9:50 AM	10:00 AM	Lightning Talk	How Volunteering and Leadership in NGOs Contribute to a Zero Waste Future and Influence Global Decision-Making	Iuliia (Julia) Markhel	Let's Do It, Ukraine!	
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				
10:25 AM	10:30 AM	Take Your Seats	Return to the Auditorium			
Theme: How Local Communities Organize to Achieve Zero Waste						
10:30 AM	10:45 AM	ZW Session	How South Florida is Turning Away from Incineration and Adopting Zero Waste	Richard Ramcharitar	Broward Clean Air	
10:45 AM	11:00 AM	ZW Session	Artificial Turf Policy in Missoula Montana	Jeremy Drake	MT Plastic Free Missoula	
11:00 AM	11:15 AM	ZW Session	Mobilizing Community-Driven Resources & Solutions in the U.S.	Marcel Howard	GAIA (Global Alliance for Incinerator Alternatives)	
11:15 AM	11:30 AM	ZW Session	Indigenous Voices in the Pacific Northwest	Bobbi Barnowsky	TSWAN (Tribal Solid Waste Action Network)	
11:30 AM	11:40 AM	Stand Up & Stretch	Yoga Break	Kristine Kubat	Recycle Hawai'i	
11:40 AM	11:55 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	
11:55 AM	12:25 PM	Panel	Women in Circularity: The ABC's (Accountability, Behavior, and Compliance) of Zero Waste	MaryEllen Etienne, Lisa Puckett, Stacy Savage	USGBC, Women in Circularity; NETZERO360 Sustainable Waste Solutions; Zero Waste Strategies, STAR	
12:25 PM	1:25 PM	Exhibit, Lunch, & Networking. Lunch by Lucky Ones				
1:25 PM	1:30 PM	Take Your Seats	Return to the Auditorium			
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	Behind the Scenes of a Utah Green School	Laura England	Park City Schools	
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	Food Waste & Composting	Joe Tegerdine	Reencle Composting Systems	
3:10 PM	3:15 PM	Buffer				
3:15 PM	3:30 PM	STRETCH & BIO BREAK				
3:30 PM	4:00 PM	Panel	Using Technology for Zero Waste & Data Driven Solutions	Austin Wilburn, Jamie Anderson, & Emin Israfil. Moderator: Joe Tegerdine	Reencle, Rootable, & Rubbish	
4:00 PM	4:10 PM	Lightning Talk	Zero Waste Textiles: Regenerate, Mend, and Upcycle	Rachael Lauritzen	High Desert Utah Fibershed	
4:10 PM	4:15 PM	Wrap Up	Closing Remarks	Teresa Bradley	Race to Zero Waste	