

SUSTAINAVL presents
2025 SUSTAINABILITY EXPO & JOB FAIR
April 12-13, 10am-5pm, AB-Tech Conference Center

WHY A SUSTAINABILITY EXPO?

Our community has the potential to become a national leader in products and services addressing and mitigating climate change. We have innovative businesses, engaged and creative non-profits, educational institutions that offer sustainability studies and workforce preparation. Leading scientific agencies call Asheville their home. And local government plays an important role in promoting and supporting sustainability and resilience for the whole community.

This EXPO will elevate these businesses and organizations in the public eye, generating increased commercial and consumer interest, as well as greater citizen engagement. Visitors to the EXPO will learn all the ways that sustainability products and services contribute to our community's economic well-being and future growth. Attendees, including area students preparing for their first job, will also learn about education and training opportunities, and prospects for well-paid employment in the sustainability sector. Participants can find ways to contribute to the community's health and well-being alongside local advocacy organizations. Panels of local experts will explore a wide range of topics, including how current government programs can help make sustainability products and services affordable.

FINDING EMPLOYMENT WITH A FUTURE: THE JOB FAIR

This EXPO will also feature local sustainability sector businesses who are looking to hire. Visitors will have the opportunity to talk with companies and organizations, learn what they're seeking in employees, discover if they may already be a good fit—or how they can acquire the needed skills through apprenticeship, workforce training, or higher education. The JOB FAIR will embody one of the key benefits of a thriving sustainability sector: a robust job market—one in which employees can afford to live near their work.

SUSTAINABILITY SECTOR BUSINESSES: renewable energy, regenerative agriculture/ permaculture, waste and water management, environmental science, transportation, architecture/construction, biodiversity preservation, upcycling/reuse, engineering/ materials science, food science.

SUSTAINAVL is a non-profit organization located in Asheville, NC. Its purpose is to accelerate the growth of the region's sustainability sector: businesses, non-profits, educational & scientific institutions. We believe sustainability sector products, services, education, and community advocacy will be the engine of strong economic growth for all—ensuring our city, county, and region thrive and remain resilient for generations to come.