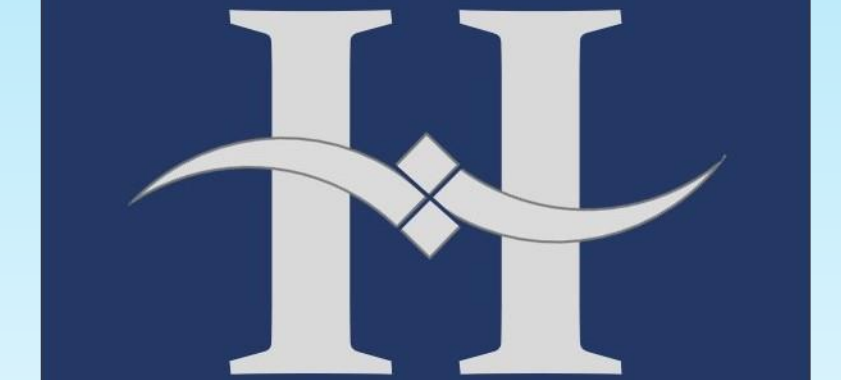
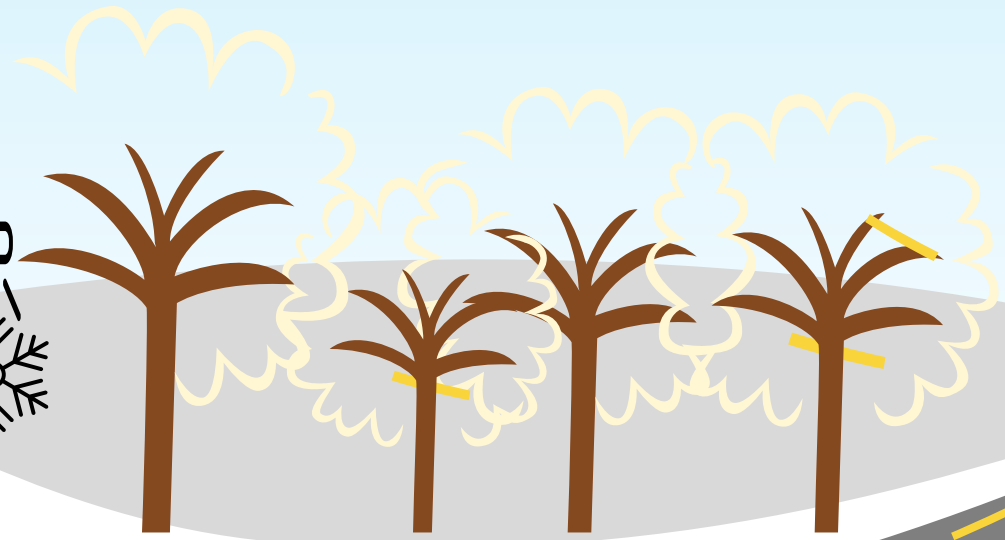


Haverford Civic Association **Annual Meeting**



HAVERFORD

TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MERION



Welcome!

- Haverford Civic Association
- Connections to Lower Merion Township, other Civics, and the Federation of Civics
- Updates:
 - www.haverfordcivicassociation.com
 - www.facebook.com/haverfordcivicassociation

BECOME A MEMBER! Join by cash, check, or
PayPal/credit card www.haverfordcivicassociation.com/join

Agenda

- Business:
 - Finances
 - Membership
 - Traffic/Transportation
 - Sharpe Park
 - Development
- Program:
 - Paloma Vila,
Sustainability Manager
 - Commissioners
- Elections
- Q&A / Good of the Order

PROGRAM

Paloma Vila, PE

Sustainability Manager
Lower Merion Township





Lower Merion Township Sustainability

HAVERFORD CIVIC
ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL MEETING
DECEMBER 12, 2023



Past & Current Sustainability Actions

- Purchasing Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) for 100% of electricity
- \$3.7M Energy Savings Project including streetlight conversion to LED
- Green Roof at Ludington Library
- Geothermal heating at Bala Cynwyd Library
- 8 electric fleet vehicles and 3 fleet EV chargers
- Shade Tree program
- Stormwater management program
- Bi-annual support for Tree Tenders
- Solid Waste Subscription based on waste amount
- Park and Neighborhood Master Plans
- Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for energy efficiency in buildings, HVAC, and appliances



Township Sustainability Plan

Outlines 56 strategies designed to:

- Minimize our contribution to climate change
- Protect natural resources
- Foster a more healthy and resilient community

Received by Board of Commissioners on June 7, 2023

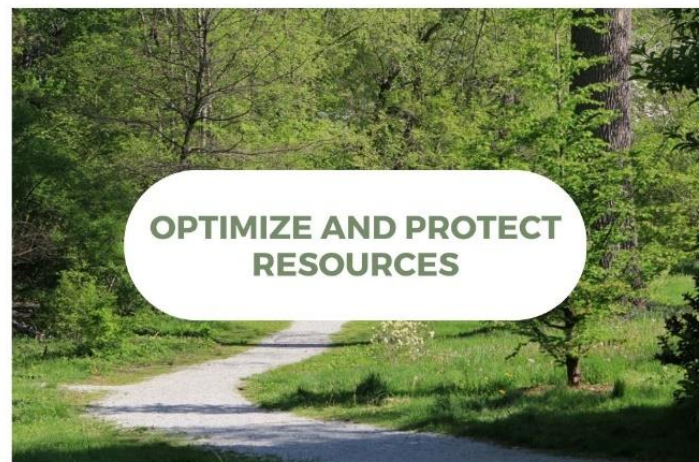
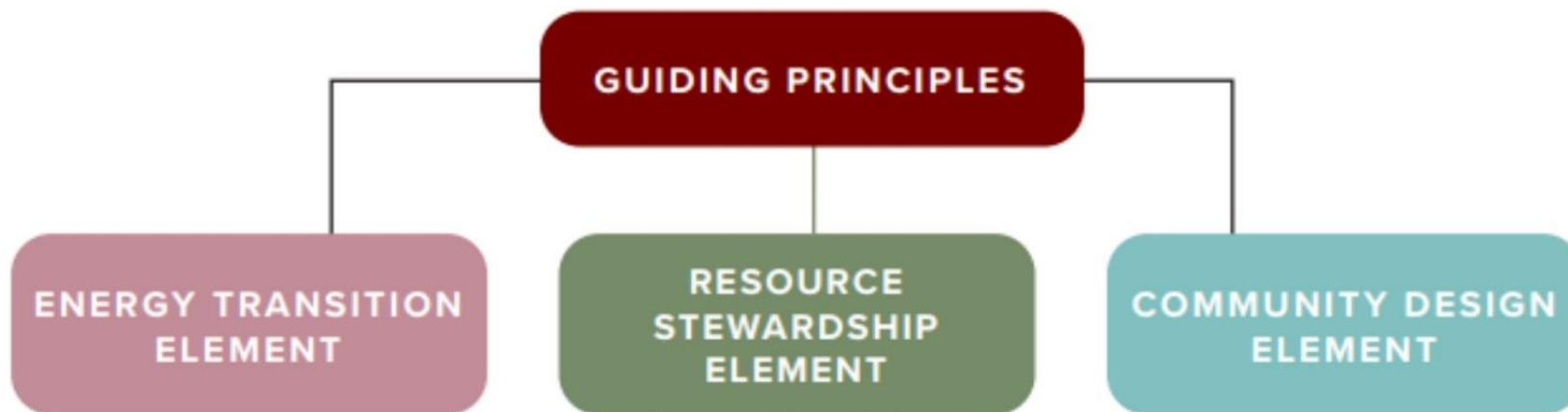


LOWER MERION TOWNSHIP
SUSTAINABILITY PLAN

June 7, 2023

Plan is available at: www.lowermerion.org/SustainPlan

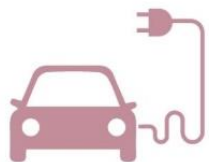




EE Energy Efficiency



VD Vehicle Decarbonization



ET Energy Transition



WM Waste Minimization



NR Natural Resource Management



ED Education and Engagement



AR Adaptation and Resiliency



MO Mobility



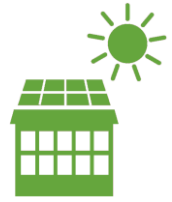
SM Stormwater Management



SD Sustainable Development



Sustainability Plan Organization



Energy Transition

Transition to non-fossil fuel energy sources and reduce energy consumption.



Transition municipal buildings, vehicles, and equipment to carbon-free sources



Establish programs to help community stakeholders save energy, access resources, and transition their own buildings, vehicles and equipment to carbon-free sources.





Education & Engagement

Increase visibility of sustainability goals, initiatives, information and opportunities throughout the Township and gather community feedback.



Establish a framework and plans for ongoing communication and information sharing with community stakeholders





Increase citizen engagement with the Township Sustainability Plan and awareness of ongoing sustainability efforts by the Township.





Natural Resources Management


Develop a holistic, Township-wide approach to natural resources protection


-  Establish benchmarks, develop plans, and explore strategies to incorporate natural resource protections into municipal operations.
-  Increase tree canopy, biodiversity, and green infrastructure throughout the Township.



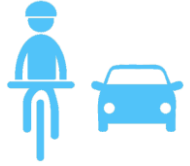
Waste Minimization

Minimize the generation and disposal of solid waste.

 Improve upon the Township's existing recycling and composting operations

 Evaluate opportunities for circular models of resource consumption in which resources are kept in use for as long as possible and then recovered and regenerated into new products or materials

 Increase community awareness of waste diversion methods.



Mobility

Establish a physical and cultural environment that supports and encourages safe, comfortable and efficient ways for pedestrians, bicyclists, and transit users to move throughout the Township.



Increase multimodal access to essential goods and services throughout the Township.



Priority Projects



LMT projects for 2024:

- Solar energy projects at Township facilities
- Vehicle fleet continued electrification
- Township HVAC equipment inventory and transition timeline
- Electric vehicle charging stations for public use
- Community and stakeholder engagement planning and implementation
- Annual Sustainability Report
- Community-wide tree planting and protection initiatives
- Beneficial reuse programs and additional recycling streams
- Pilot food waste compost program

What Can YOU Do?



ENERGY TRANSITION



- **Electrify Everything** - Transition buildings, vehicles, and equipment to carbon-free sources
- **Maximize Efficiency** – Ask for a PECO energy assessment and implement recommended energy savings measures
- **Take the money** – Get familiar with the financial incentives available through the IRA, state and local grants

EDUCATION & ENGAGEMENT



- **Learn** – Read the Township’s sustainability plan, sign up for the email list and follow on social media
- **Engage** – Become a Sustainability Ambassador to help advance Township sustainability efforts
- **Act** – Join a Working Group and lead the efforts to advance community sustainability in each of the five focus areas

NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT



- **Plant trees** – Join your local PHS Tree Tenders group and help with semi-annual planting events
- **Protect and maintain** – Properly maintain your trees and native green spaces so they last a long time and don’t become overcome with invasive species
- **Leave the leaves** – ditch your leaf blower and leave the leaves where they fall
- **Native landscaping** – chose non-invasive plants that are native to the area, bonus points if they attract pollinators!

WASTE REDUCTION



- **Compost** – backyard piles, vermicompost, or third-party pickup for your organic waste
- **Reduce residue** – Properly clean your recyclables and don’t put waste in the recycling bin or in leaf bags
- **Rethink consumption** – think before you buy, and borrow or buy used if you can, fix items instead of throwing out
- **BYOB** – bring your own bag, mug, silverware, food containers wherever you can and refill your containers

MOBILITY



- **Leave the car at home** – bike, walk, or take public transit whenever possible
- **Find a crew** – join or form a cycling club to take fun, safe rides with a group to raise awareness of low-stress bike routes

Get Involved



Follow & Share Township Sustainability Initiatives!

Find us on Facebook and Instagram and join the Township email distribution list. Visit www.lowermerion.org/subscribe (select : "News & Announcements: Sustainability" and "Lower Merion Township Meetings: Sustainability Committee")



Become a Sustainability Ambassador!

Receive emails about sustainability-related learning opportunities, community events, volunteer opportunities, and other low-commitment calls to action. **You can opt-out at any time.**



Join a Working Group!

Meet regularly and **lead the efforts** to advance **sustainability** in the Township. Work with the Sustainability Manager to **develop & implement sustainability strategies**



Lower Time
Commitment



Higher Time
Commitment



Scan here or visit:

www.lowermerion.org/get-involved

to learn more and sign up!

What else can Haverford residents do?

- Get a mini-can and use it – downgrade your Solid Waste Subscription level before DEC 22 at www.lowermerion.org/swchange
- Complete the Active Transportation Survey
- Help our neighbors



ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION SURVEY

We want to hear from you!



 **SCAN ME!**

The Lower Merion & Narberth Active Transportation Plan seeks to coordinate various multi-modal initiatives in our interconnected communities. These efforts include the development of the Main Line Greenway, a low-stress bicycle network, and a Pedestrian Mobility Plan, which includes targeted improvements to pedestrian infrastructure.

The data gathered through this survey will be instrumental in gaining a deeper understanding of the needs, challenges, and preferences of our community members and will influence ongoing planning efforts related to biking and pedestrian activities.

More information about the **Active Transportation Plan** can be found here: www.lowermerion.org/active

LM Code Blue Shelter Program

- Program will provide shelter for up to five men, 9p to 6a on Code Blue nights
- January at Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church, rotating
- Training provided on Dec 17, 1-3p, at Bryn Mawr Pres
- SIGN UP for volunteer shifts <http://tinyurl.com/zkz5fcz4>
- For more information, contact codeblueLM@gmail.com

Our Commissioners

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Ardmore &
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Ray Courtney

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PUT YOUR QUESTIONS IN THE Q&A BOX

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Kerry Sautner

President, LMSD

Board of School Directors



Elections – to serve 2024

- Information provided via email
- No additional candidate names received by the Secretary by the 5-day suspense
- All members who are CURRENT (paid) for 2023 or pre-paid for 2024 may vote

BECOME A MEMBER!

JOIN BY PAYPAL NOW! www.haverfordcivicassociation.com/join !!

Nominees – Officers

- Charles Davis President
- Hala Imms First Vice President
- John McIntyre Second Vice President
- Anne Mezey Secretary
- Lee Tabas Treasurer

VOTE



Question & Answers

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MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

- JOIN NOW! “Keep the snowflake lights on!”
 - Cash or check to Lee
 - PayPal – including credit card option
 - www.haverfordcivicasassociation.com/join
- Get involved
 - Attend the board meetings
 - Join a committee

THANKS for joining us!

Learn more:

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