



SustainabilityNEXT Committee Charter

April 2026-March 2028

PURPOSE

The purpose of the SustainabilityNEXT Steering Committee is to guide the strategic direction of the industry group to ensure its work and priorities are relevant to the industry and bring together Inforum members and members of the public working in sustainability to expand their professional knowledge and foster intentional connections.

AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY / DELIVERABLES

- Advance SustainabilityNEXT priority initiatives by either co-leading projects, participating on project teams, and/or securing team members or additional resources that are needed to complete projects.
- Oversee the progress of SustainabilityNEXT work streams and track progress against metrics.
- Participate as a host at SustainabilityNEXT gatherings and help recruit additional executive hosts.
- Help support financial sustainability of the program beyond the grant term – e.g., making introductions, helping to recruit corporate investors where appropriate.
- Plan and execute two-three Southeast Michigan events annually featuring leaders (predominantly women) in sustainability professions. These events can be virtual, in-person, or hybrid.
- Create 1-2 informal networking events each year of the grant, possibly in partnership with other organizations.
- Create group mentorship program in the second half of the grant. Inforum has an existing model that can be used.
- Invite/recruit others as appropriate to become Inforum members.

MEMBERS

Members of the committee represent sustainability professions/industries/organizations. The committee may comprise Inforum members and members of the general public.

Committee members will:

- Be an advocate on behalf of Inforum and SustainabilityNEXT.
- Share information through their circles of influence – at work, via social media, or through partnerships with other organizations
- Attend SustainabilityNEXT events and gatherings (as schedule permits).
- Attend committee meetings on a monthly or bimonthly cadence as determined by the committee. Meetings can be in person or virtual.

Commitment: Regular meeting attendance. Minimum one-year commitment.

Staff Liaison(s)

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