

The Memphis-Shelby County Office of Sustainability would like you to be aware of these upcoming events in February:



Farm to Table Conference – (Feb 4, 8am, \$25). The conference is a forum for farmers, consumers, & others interested in the local food system. Keynotes: Nat Turner of Blair Grocery in New Orleans & Miles McMath of St. Jude’s culinary division. <http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/537671>.

Improving Memphis’ Parks (public meeting) – (Feb 4, 5:30pm). Community-wide discussion on planning for the future. Hosted by Trust for Public Land, Memphis Parks, & Hyde Family Foundations. <http://bit.ly/1hPhqYq>

Farm Food Matters – (Feb 7, 10am). Series of programs by the Master Gardeners at Germantown Library. <http://www.sustainableshelby.com/farm-food-matters>

Tennessee Recycling Coalition Conference - (Feb 10-12, Franklin). 25th annual conference with a great line up of speakers including Chad Pregracke of Living Lands & Waters, CNN Hero of the Year. Agenda here: <http://bit.ly/Khh0OY> & registration here: <http://bit.ly/1fYkxMe>

Memphis Civic Solar fundraising campaign - ending soon. Memphis Bioworks launched Civic Solar, a project for the City of Memphis that will install 1.5 Megawatts of solar energy across 30 municipal buildings. When completed, it will be one of the largest municipal solar developments in the nation. Memphis Bioworks launched a crowdfunding fundraising campaign to raise a little over 1% of the total budget for seed funding to ensure this project meets engineering and design deadlines. You can make a tax deductible donation here: <https://ioby.org/project/memphis-civic-solar>



Memphis across 30



1000 more used CD’s or DVD’s needed for an upcycling project – Living Lands & Waters, the non-profit who cleans up McKellar Lake annually, is collecting CDs & DVDs for an upcycling project, they are half way to their goal of 2,000. CDs can be scratched, unplayable, & preferably without cases. If you send 25 or more they will send you a free t-shirt so be sure to tell them your shirt size. Mail to Dan at Living Lands & Waters, 17624 Route 84 North, East Moline, IL 61244.

Save the Date! - (March 6-7). Memphis-Shelby County Office of Sustainability will host a two-day workshop on **Low Impact Development (LID)**, March 6-7, 2014 at the Botanic Garden. The workshop will be open to the public, but geared toward developers, designers, and municipal stormwater decision makers. Look for a follow up email about how to register later this month. The cost for attending will be free but limited to 100. <http://www.sustainableshelby.com/LIDworkshop>

TOP STORIES

Shelby County prisons looking to “go green” with energy efficient measures: <http://bit.ly/1f7swa7>

Super Bowl going green with recycling, tree planting, and biodiesel: <http://bit.ly/1k1bbRZ>

Are you eligible for tax deductions for home or commercial building energy improvements? <http://bit.ly/1ficoU4> & <http://bit.ly/L5ZpJg>

Recycle your brand name kid’s clothes and 40% of proceeds go back to your school: <http://www.schoola.com/stitch/>

Recycle your ipods to assist dementia patients in nursing homes: <http://musicandmemory.org/>

