



Tuesday, April 5 and Wednesday, April 6, 2022 | Silver Spring Civic Building



The Montgomery County Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and the Montgomery County Committee (MCC) of USGBC National Capital Region (USGBC NCR) invite proposals for educational presentations at the [2022 Montgomery County Energy Summit](#). Over the past eight years, **the Summit has annually offered cutting-edge education focused on the latest trends in green building, energy efficiency, renewable energy, and related commercial, multifamily, and residential topics** in Montgomery County. Our target audience includes building owners, property managers, developers, energy contractors, and other sustainability professionals working in Montgomery County and the larger DMV area. This event tends to attract 300+ attendees, speakers, and exhibitors.

This year's Summit will focus on Innovation in three education track areas: Technology, Policy & Practices, and Finance. We will explore strategies, technologies, and case studies focused on spurring cutting-edge sustainable solutions for the commercial, multifamily, and residential built environment. The three education tracks will feature innovative approaches to technology implementation, policy and program design, and creativity in financing projects. ***Disclaimer:** We hope to hold this hybrid event with in-person education sessions streamed for online audiences. Due to the uncertainty of the pandemic, the event organizers may shift to an all-virtual event for the safety of our attendees.*

IMPORTANT DATES

*Submission Deadline: **Wednesday, December 1, 2021 at 5:00 pm EST***

*Announcement of Selected Sessions: **By January 7, 2022***

*Decision date for hybrid or all-virtual: **Expected February 2022***

*If selected, Education @USGBC platform continuing education credit questions due: **February 22, 2022***

*Energy Summit 2022: **Tuesday, April 5 and Wednesday, April 6, 2022***

PRESENTATION DETAILS

In-person Breakout sessions: Sessions are 60 minutes and are typically formatted as 45-minute education presentations and 15 minutes of Q&A. Presentations tend to include a panel of 2 or more speakers from different organizations to provide multiple perspectives on a topic but may feature a single presenter depending on the content. AV will be available including a laptop, digital screen, and slide advancer. Through the wonders of technology, one or more education tracks may be offered both in-person with a virtual participation option for remote attendees. If this event is shifted to virtual, panelists commit to prerecording their presentation with assistance from USGBC, as well as attending the online presentation for audience Q&A. Sessions will be submitted for GBCI and, if applicable, AIA continuing education credit. **If your presentation is selected, you must include a minimum of 10 questions for the Education @USGBC platform for continuing education offerings prior to the Summit.**

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CALL FOR PROPOSALS

All presenters will receive complimentary Summit registration on the day of their education session, which includes breakfast, lunch, networking sessions, and the opportunity to attend other education sessions and exhibitor hall. We are not able to compensate presenters for their time or travel.

SUGGESTED TOPICS

We especially encourage proposals focused on the topics below, although other topics are welcome.

Technology	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Emerging technologies, such as energy storage and microgrids• Embodied carbon and life-cycle analysis• Design/construction best practices & materials
Policy & Practices	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Innovative policy and program design• Building Performance compliance strategies• Forward-thinking building codes and certifications• Implementation strategies for effective sustainability practices (for example, LEED O+M v4.1)
Finance	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Innovative financing solutions for green projects• Cost-effective net-zero strategies in buildings construction
Other Topics can include	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Case studies on single-family residential, multifamily, K-12, campus, or energy-intensive buildings• Tenant engagement success stories• Communicating your resiliency success story

NOTE: Proposals focused solely on promoting a specific product/service without a relevant, local-area case study application or connection to the Energy Summit focus areas will not be considered.

THE SELECTION PROCESS

We strive to offer a program of breakout sessions that incorporate the focus on innovation, fit within one of the three education tracks (Technology, Policy & Practices, Finance), and has a variety of topics to appeal to our core audience. The selection committee will consider topic, panel credentials, relevance to Montgomery County, and audience interest.

Strong preference is shown for proposals that include:

- Well-rounded, multi-speaker panels showcasing perspectives of stakeholders like building owners, property/facility managers and tenants in addition to service providers.
- Specific case studies or examples located in the DMV area
- Financial analysis and project data that makes the business case for action

SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

The link to the application can be found at the end of this Call for Proposals. All proposals must be submitted electronically via the online submission site no later than the deadline of **Wednesday, December 1, 2021**. Only complete applications submitted through the online form will be considered. Application requirements:

- Presentation title (12 words max)
- A short description for promotion (25 words max)
- An abstract (400 words max)
- Learning objectives (minimum of 4)
- Willingness to be combined with similar proposals
- Education Track (Technology, Policy, or Finance)
- Designation of primary target audience
- A link to an online bio for each presenter
- Previous presentation experience, including hybrid presentations
- Course level

Applications cannot be saved and returned to later, so we suggest that applicants use a text editing program to compose and save their work before transferring the information to the application. Applicants may submit multiple proposals.

APPLY HERE

Questions? Please contact Lindsey Shaw at lindsey.shaw@montgomerycountymd.gov.