



Sustainable Cleveland 2020 Virtual Summit



Breakout Summary:

How will Sustainable Cleveland know when we've become a "green city on a blue lake?" While Cleveland has made big strides in sustainability over the last 11 years, it is important to establish metrics that help us measure this progress and support continued success. In early 2020, the City of Cleveland joined the US Green Building Council's second cohort of cities to pursue LEED for Cities certification. Like the LEED platform for buildings, LEED for Cities provides a framework for cities to credibly track progress toward overall sustainability objectives and allows for comparison by and among communities around the world.

In this breakout, Sustainability Manager, Deepa Vedavyas, provided an introduction to the LEED for Cities platform and how it aligns with existing efforts in the City. Representatives from the City of Cincinnati and the City of Shaker Heights, which both recently received certification through LEED for Cities also joined the conversation and shared how they are using the platform and certification process to inform future sustainability and climate action work.

Presenters:

- Oliver Kroner, Sustainability Coordinator, City of Cincinnati
- Michael Peters, Sustainability Coordinator, City of Shaker Heights
- Deepa Vedavyas, Sustainability Manager, Mayor's Office of Sustainability, City of Cleveland

Watch a recording of this session here: [LEED for Cities: How Ohio Municipalities are Measuring Sustainability Progress | Sustainable Cleveland 2020 Virtual Summit](#)

Information and Resources shared during breakout:

- LEED for Cities: <https://www.usgbc.org/leed/rating-systems/leed-for-cities>

