# **Capstone Session II**

• Please add to the chat your name, municipality, and role within your municipality

### **The Civic Innovation Hub**

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### **Zoom Basics**

- Use the chat feature to ask questions or make comments during presentations
- Change your name
- Mute and unmute

### Commitments

Basic commitments:

- As facilitators, we will
  - Respectfully listen to you
  - Move at a deliberate pace
  - Ask you to place questions in the chat "parking lot"
  - Keep jargon to a minimum
- We expect everyone to
  - Step up, step back
  - Actively listen
  - Mutual Respect
  - Respectfully disagree

# Agenda

- Overview
- Field Trips Debrief
- Breakout 1:
  - Capstone project description
- Shareback
- Presentations
- Breakout 2:
  - Action Matrix
- Wrap-up + Reflection

# **Field Trips Debrief**

What were some highlights?

How did it inform your engagement with stormwater?

Did it change how you thought about community assets/ stakeholders?

What would you do differently next time?

# Breakout 1: Capstone Project Description

Draft a one or two paragraph project description.

Make sure to include the location, your intended intervention, the key players, and the timeline.

### Presentations

Cyatharine Alias - Overview of next steps with capstones

Ramont Bell - Green Teams

Ryan Scherzinger - RR Steering Committee

### CNT's Commitment to Moving Projects Forward

During the next breakout, you'll hear about CNT's next steps to support your community's specific capstone

Generally, CNT will continue to:

seek funding to implement different projects at varying timelines.

- network with organizational partners who may have interest or expertise in implementing the project.

- keep you in the loop as we learn about next steps





### **Ramont Bell** Faith in Place Director of Programs

# **Our Vision**

People of diverse faiths and spiritualities leading the environmental movement to create healthy, just, and sustainable communities for all.

# **Our Mission**

Empower people of diverse faiths and spiritualities to be leaders in advancing environmental and racial justice, providing resources to educate, connect, and advocate for healthier communities.



### Our Model



### Educate

faith partners on the ways to bring the message of environmental stewardship to their congregations

### Connect

bring congregations to one another & connect them to resources such as funding and expertise

### Advocate

through and with local and statewide environmental partners to continually for accountability



# **Our Programs**

Youth Empowerment Water Justice & Preservation Energy and Climate Change Advocacy Sustainable Food and Land Use



### **Green Teams**

Our Community is comprised of a network of over 280 Green Teams across Illinois, Wisconsin, and Indiana.

#### What Are Green Teams?

Green Teams are groups of 3 or more people from a House of Worship who provide leadership to educate, connect, and advocate for healthier communities.



#### **Green Teams**

#### What Does Faith in Place Provide Green Teams?

Faith in Place Outreach Staff collaborate closely with the Green Team to implement our programs. Once you sign up to establish a Green Team, Faith in Place will assign you a dedicated Green Team Coach.



#### **Green Teams**

#### What Does It Cost to Create a Green Team?

Faith in Place will provide Green Team coaching and access to resources and programs at no cost to your House of Worship. Additionally, we will try to connect Green Team with funding opportunities available in their areas.

How Do I Create a Green Team?

When you and at least two others at your House of Worship are interested in creating a Green Team, we invite you to complete our <u>Green Team application</u> and we will connect your with a Green Team coach in your area. Have questions before signing up? Reach out to Cindy Shepherd, our Green Team Director, at <u>cindy@faithinplace.org</u>.





### **RainReady Plan Implementation**









# **Getting to Implementation**



\*All funds must be committed by November 2024\*



### **Breakout 2: Action Matrix**

Within your group, complete the Action Matrix for your Capstone Project

Identify sub activities, key players, time frame, and resources you might need. If activities are dependent on the completion of other activities, note that.

### Reflection

# Now what?

- Get connected either with Faith in Place or RainReady Steering Committees and stay connected with CNT to hear updates about various funding opportunities.
- 2. Talk to your community (neighbors, friends, family, etc) about what you've learned
- 3. Think about how to get your community's action matrix moving
- 4. Prepare to present your cohort learnings in the new year, as projects hopefully continue