





The Social Network for the Planet

The Vision

Transform the Ohio Valley into the Green Beacon of Sustainability





Why?

- o Sustainability is a game changer:
 - Generates revenue, reduces costs, and improves efficiencies making each organization more competitive
- o Attract economic growth through green industries
- o Retain and attract young professionals, increasing intellectual capital
- o Clean air and clean water
- o Reduced health care costs





Yale Report

Climate Change in the Ohioan Mind

- Most people in the state (71%) believe global warming is happening.
- Of those who believe global warming is happening, large majorities say that it is already having an influence on the severity of heat waves (89%), droughts (88%), and flooding of rivers or lakes (87%) in Ohio.





Yale Report

Climate Change in the Ohioan Mind

A majority of Ohioans also support more climate action:

- Solid majorities of Ohioans support government
 action at all levels of government.
- Even more say that corporations, industry and citizens themselves should be doing more to address climate change.





Connecting to Nature at the Zoo

Experience with live animals in the context of a zoo or aquarium increases a sense of personal connection that in turn promotes greater concern about our environment.





Marketing Philosophy

- o Problem: Hopelessness
- Solution: Create hope through individual actions
- Wider Solution: Create a movement by saying "Thank You!"





Our Mutual Goals

- Activate, showcase and measure the reach and impact of Zoos & Aquariums and their communities
- Mobilize community sustainability leadership to collaborate toward common goals to achieve uncommon success
- Inspire individuals to take action and drive behavior change
- Build community case studies for others to replicate
- One Million Actions by Earth Week 2014





Community Sector Leaders

- Zoos & aquariums
- Metro governments
- Businesses
- Educational institutions
- Sustainability organizations

Participating Cities

Akron

Cincinnati

Cleveland

Columbus

Louisville

Pittsburgh

Toledo



ONE MILLION ACTIONS FOR PLANET EARTH ARCTIC ACTION TEAMS

Activating A Community | Case Study



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myActions

& PPG Aquarium"

Program Timeline – First Step

- Endorse, empower, and commit to program
- Define community sector participants
- Define and integrate Regional Goals
- Customize Programs
- Program Execution Funding or Scholarship Approval
- Execute Program and track results
- Final program review with participants





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Step

- Louisville Summit January 17-18
- Pre-Kickoff Meetings Regional team, Week of January 20
- Winter Challenge Zoo activated action challenge
 January 27 February 17
- Evaluation Summit Leadership Update, Week of March 2
- Earth Challenge Regional action challenge, March 31 – April 20
- Ian Stirling Tour

Recognition Tour, Earth Week April 21 - 28





Tutorial







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Zoo & Aquarium Grant Opportunity

Grant Includes:

- **Core Technology** | myActions platform to motivate your audience to take action to reduce their impact
- **Program Design** | Integration of local program elements & messages
- **Community Management** | Launch, inspire and support community
- Program & Participant Insights |
 Data

summary: people, behaviors & impact

- Zoo donations* | action match
- Media and PR at kick off
- Value added program | Enhance and amplify zoo priorities

Needs from recipients:

- Unite | Act as the community leader convening key stakeholders to make this a true community wide initiative.
- Inspire Participation | Initiate program challenge & market to your regional audience
- Inspire & Recruit Leaders | Empower contacts to motivate and build followers
- **Promote** | Across physical & digital channels
- Reward | Offer internal rewards/prizes as incentives (i.e., zoo passes, behind-thescenes, Founders Award, etc.)
- Executive Support | Signed MOU





Next Steps

- Answer questions & Validate Interest
- Align Stakeholders
- Confirm Resources & Budget or Scholarship
 Agreement
- Schedule Program Design Session myActions Program team for early December











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