## Meet you in Detroit™







### **DEFINITION:**

<u>Sustainability</u> is a normative concept that stresses intergenerational equity and is commonly considered to have three dimensions: the environmental, economic and social dimension. The concept can be used to guide decisions at all scales: at the global, national and individual consumer level scale.





# United **Nations** Sustainable Development Goals

## SUSTAINABLE GALS DEVELOPMENT GALS









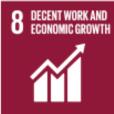




12 RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION



13 CLIMATE ACTION























### Local Alignment

























Sustainability Lives Here.

HuntingtonPlaceDetroit.com/Green







Open – 1960

Expansion – 1987

Re-Imagination – 2010-2015

Purposeful architectural & engineering

Windows, lighting, HVAC,

Energy saving elevators & escalators

Green roof



### Green Program Development

- Green Committee established 2011
- Green Venues MI certification 2012
- PhD study: Mercedes Hunt 2015
- EIC APEX certification 2015
- Detroit Free Press Green Leader Award 2015
- Ecoworks Sustainability Champion Award 2016
- Sustainable Brands Conference 2017



### Green Program Development

- EIC APEX Re-certification 2017 & 2019
- Beehive installation 2018
- Detroit City Council Green Business Award 2019
- LEED Gold certification 2019
- Sustainable Brand Conference 2019
- EIC Sustainable Event Professional training 2018 & 2019
- USGBC 2020 Award Building Performance 2020
- USGBC Community Safe Haven Award 2021





#### **Corporate Social Responsibility**

Strong Stop Human Trafficking policy

Staff community volunteer program

Community engagement for events

Extensive local agency donation network

Gender equality and inclusion

Pure Detroit in Huntington Place



### Strong Waste Diversion Program









#### **Develop a Green Team**

Identify sustainability champions

Communicate to stakeholders

Develop local partnerships

Relentless pursuit to reduce

Full venue commitment to sustainability

Active communications/PR

Funding



# Tips & Tricks

- Replace bottled water with water stations
- Use compostable straws and serveware
- Serve locally sourced food
- Use electronic materials whenever possible
- Donate event materials to local agencies
- Encourage sustainable transportation



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- Power down equipment and lighting
- Ask venue for diversion reports
- Donate unserved food to local food banks
- Add community service project to events
- Add health & wellness modules to events
- Consider material life cycle when planning



Resources

Green Roofs for Healthy Cities

**Event Industry Council** 

**US Green Building Council** 

Sustainable Brands

**UN SDG Goals** 

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www.greenroofs.org

eventscouncil.org

usgbc.org/leed

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## Thank You.

