



Building a Circular (& Sharing) Economy in the DMV Region

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Circular Economy - A New Way of Thinking

The circular economy refers to an industrial economy that is <u>restorative</u>, <u>sustainable</u> and <u>collaborative</u> by intention.

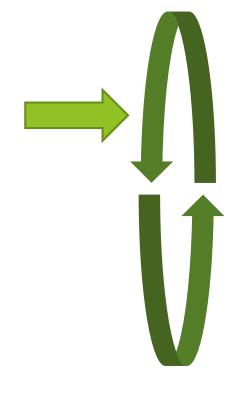
- Alternative to traditional economy (make, use, dispose)
- Recover and regenerate products/materials (eliminate end of life)
- Superior design of products, systems and business models
- Includes shift to renewable energy
- Diversity generates resilient and productive economy
- ► Tied to 'Sharing Economy, a \$26 billion industry



Multiple Rs Drive the Regenerative Economy

3 Traditional R's





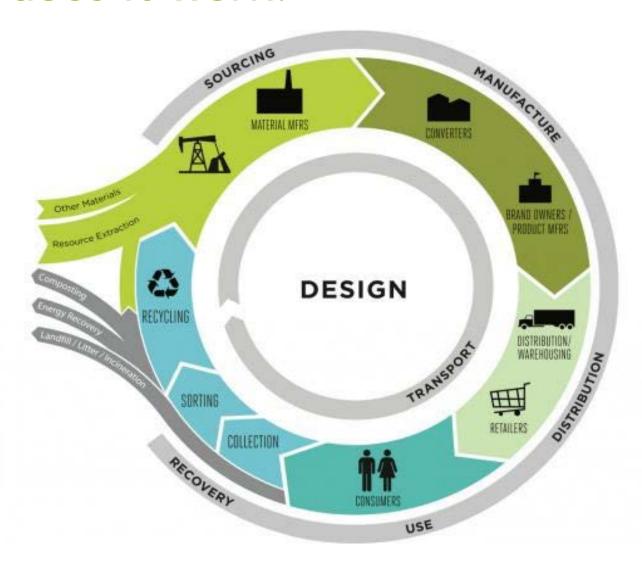
16 Regenerative R's

Rethink
Redesign
Reduce
Redistribute
Refuse
Reuse
Repair
Return

Restore
Repurpose
Remanufacture
Rent
Renovate
Recover
Rot
Recycle

Source: The "Multi-R" approach used by Circular Economy Europe highlights 8 Rs. Our approach expands on this.

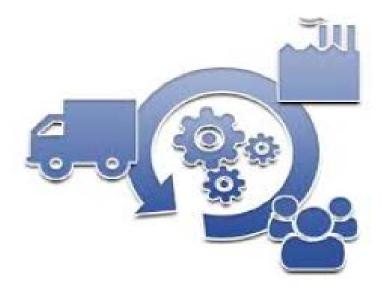
How does it work?



Who Participates?

Industries

- Food/Agriculture
- Automobile/Transportation
- Building/Construction
- Real-Estate/Accommodation
- Clothing/Furniture/Household
- Supplies, Packaging
- Non-profits



Supply Chain

- Raw Material Producers
- Designers
- Production/Manufacturers
- Distribution/Retail
- Collection/Reuse
- Consumers

Examples of Circular Cities and Regions





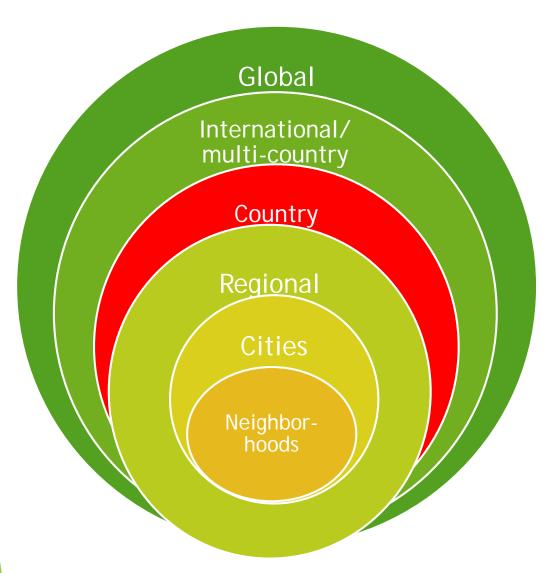
Nord-Pas de Calais Third Industrial Revolution Master Plan – 2013







Go Local or Regional When Possible



Short supply chains are best:

- Use clever design to develop economy inward - don't export or import materials and services from great distances unnecessarily.
- Produce sustainable harvests of indigenous materials and use local ingenuity. Buy nationally or internationally only if you can't source locally or regionally.
- Less dependency on geo-political circumstances if you reuse resources that are already present

Source: Adapted from Circle Economy Europe and Alliance for Regional Cooperation

Circular Economy in Action in the DMV

























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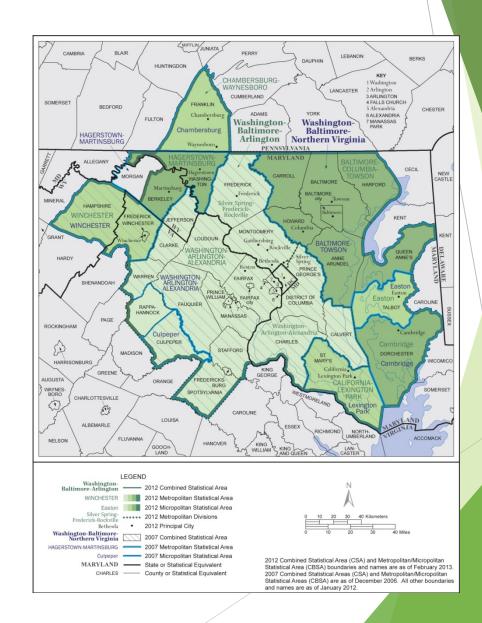




Realizing a Circular Economy in the DMV

Ultimate question - How do we scale in our region?

- Identify"Multiple Rs"
- Create new production and consumption models
- Shorten chains
- Visioning/Analytical Tools
- Stakeholders work together (public and private)









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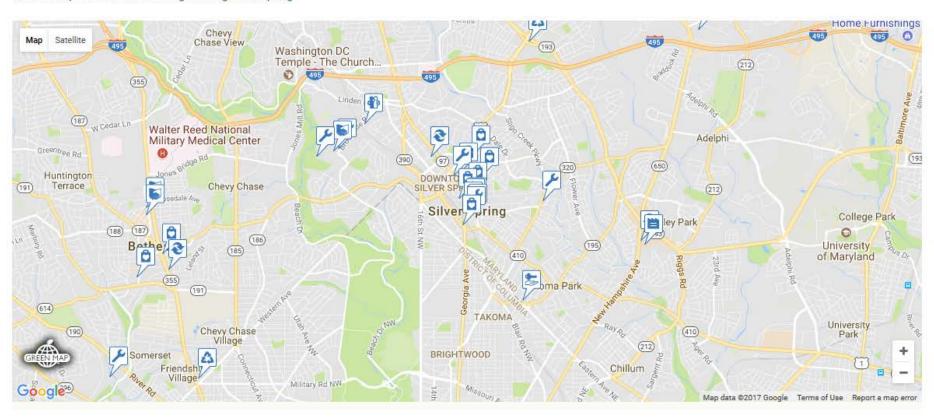
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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MAPPING

To view Map on a Mobile Device go to m.greenmap.org



A Green Map promotes the discovery, use, and stewardship of natural, cultural and "green living" resources.

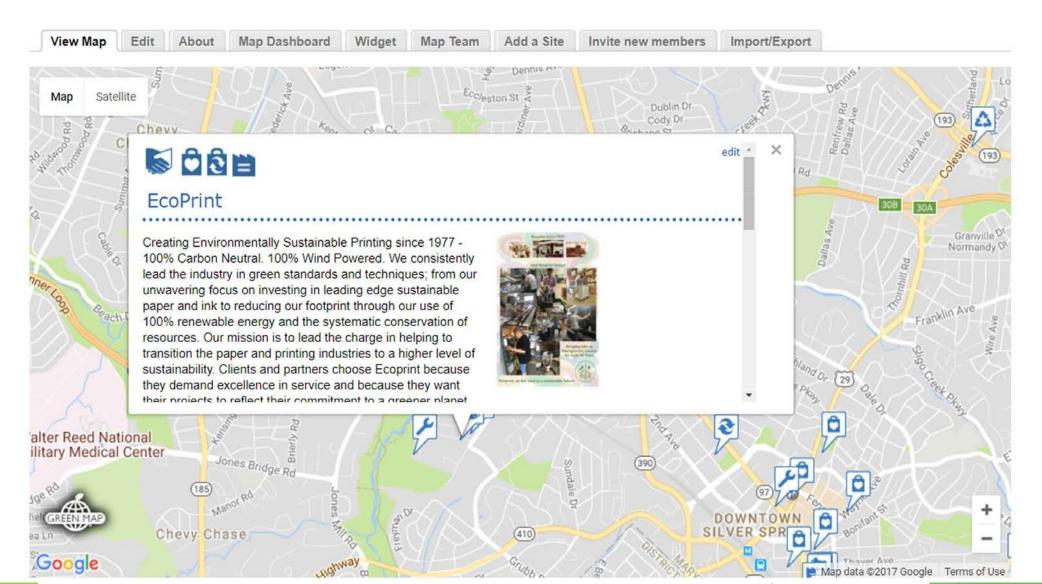
Our participatory mapmaking processes and education outreach activities draw out the richness and diversity of local assets, creating greater public awareness of specific places and highlighting opportunities to advance progress toward building a healthy urban environment for the benefit of all.

OMG will map green assets that already exist and identify new and underserved opportunities to develop green solutions. Using the existing, successful GreenMap platform,



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Promote a Cluster, Build a Brand







- Leverage power of shared message
- Facilitate business collaboration & sector development
- Educate and engage citizens/consumers
- Events Tool sharing, Repair Cafés, Makers Training
- Customize brand for future campaigns



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