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# Greening the Urban Landscape to Improve Water Quality

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# Green Stormwater Infrastructure Task Force

- Toledo-Lucas County Sustainability Commission
- Greater Toledo: Going Beyond Green
  - Green Infrastructure Portfolio Standard



# GSI Task Force: Subcommittees

## Planning

- Responsible for setting long term and short term GI goals and the metrics with which those goals will be measured.
- Goals for public and private development as well as goals for City and County Departments.

## Design

- Responsible for identifying upcoming projects where GSI can be incorporated into the design.
- Providing information to stakeholders that will make designing GI easier.

## Policy

- Responsible for reviewing local ordinances and making recommendations to planning boards to remove barriers and provide incentive for GSI implementation.

## Outreach and Education

- Responsible for promoting and marketing the benefits of GI as well as identifying and developing training for internal and external stakeholders.



# GSI Task Force: Work to Date

## Planning

- Collecting gallons captured data for gray and green infrastructure county wide.
- Data will be used to develop our baseline for the portfolio standard.

## Design

- Currently working on the NOAA Coastal Storms project.
- Currently developing local GSI cost data.

## Policy

- Worked with Kirby Date of Cleveland State University who came up with policy recommendations for the City of Toledo to enhance their stormwater codes, ordinances, and credit manual.

## Outreach and Education

- Created a GSI informational webpage for the public.
- Created an informational brochure about the GSI Task force.

