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Environment and Energy Committee Meeting

Don't Toss It. Fix It! Organizing a Community Repair Café

May 20, 2025, 9:30-11 a.m.

Please register in advance for the Zoom meeting with the link sent to Committee members.

1. Opening Comments

Kevin Burns, Mayor, City of Geneva; Environment and Energy Committee Chairman and Immediate Past Executive Board Chairman, Metropolitan Mayors Caucus

2. Repair Cafés, An International Movement

Ash Klinder, Campus Sustainability Intern, Joliet Junior College (JJC)

3. Repair Cafés in the Chicago Region

a. Oak Park Repair Café

McLouis "Mac" Robinet, Co-Founder, and **Manik Gosavi**, Coordinator

b. Township of Lyons Repair Café

Elyse Hoffenberg, Clerk, Township of Lyons

Molly Price, Community Outreach Manager, Township of Lyons

c. Evanston Repair Café

Anne Opila, Co-Leader, Evanston Repair Café

d. Joliet Junior College Repair Café

Maria Anna Rafac, Sustainability Coordinator and professor of Architecture and Sustainability, JJC

e. McHenry County College Repair Café

Carolyn Campbell, Board Member, McHenry County

Kim Hankins, Manager of Sustainability, McHenry County College

f. Chicago Repair Café

Lenore Kimmel, Co-Founder, Chicago Repair Café

4. Closing

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Next Environment and Energy Committee meeting: Recycling Education and Outreach Campaign – Recycling Assessment and Updates, Tuesday, June 17th, 9:30-11 a.m., virtual

[GRC goal and objectives:](#) Engage the community in waste reduction and recycling. Educate the community to reduce waste by consuming less and reusing. Encourage residents and businesses to contribute their time and resources to sustain the community. Utilize strategic partnerships with other community organizations to promote sustainability.

[Climate Action Plan strategy:](#) Support circular economies.

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