



## SoSA Biodiversity Team

### SUMMIT OF SUSTAINABILITY ALLIANCE (SoSA)

#### Biodiversity Team Workshop

Zero Hunger / Sustainable Cities / Life on Land

Date: Thursday, March 9<sup>th</sup>

Time: 10:30am to 3:30pm

Presentations starting at 11:00am

Location: Himelright Lodge, Cascade Valley Metro Park

#### Introductions (11am)

Chris Norman, Akron Zoo  
Ross Widenor, Bridgestone  
Patrick Gsellman, EDG (Akron)

#### Native Beds (11:30am)

Wild Back Yards  
Importance of Understory Development  
Native Habitat Restoration

Chris Chaney and Janean Kazimir, Summit Metro Parks  
Sonia Bingham, CVNP

#### Light Lunch Provided (12:15pm)

*working lunch*

#### Food Forestry (12:30pm)

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Beth Vild, Big Love Network

#### Environmental Social Justice (1:00pm)

Collaborative Opportunities

Peter Bode, Community Life

#### Native Tree Canopy (1:30pm)

Akron State of the Canopy Report

Jon Malish, City of Akron

i-Tree Eco and Tree Hydro

Tree Commission

Sarah Vradenburg, Tree Commission

#### Spring Event (2:15pm)

April 29, 2023 – Native Bed Plant Distribution

Beth Vild, Big Love Network

#### Tabletop Exhibits (10:30am to 11am and 2:30pm to 3:30pm)

Summit Soils and Water

Akron Waterways Renewed

Summit Metro Parks

Cuyahoga Valley National Park