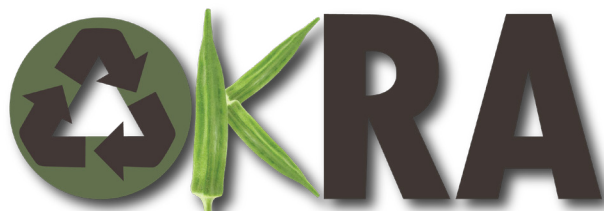




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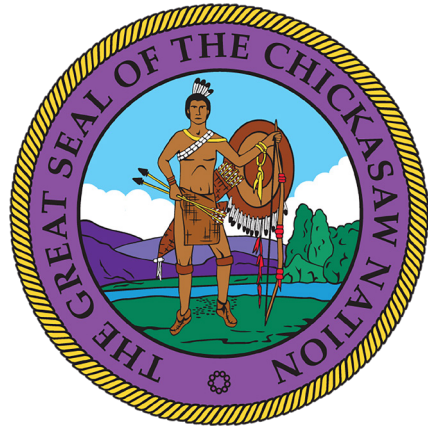
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Program

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Conference & Tour Presenters

Time	Program	Details
8:00 — 3:30	Exhibits Open	Visit with exhibitors
8:00 — 9:00	Registration & Networking Visit Exhibitors Indoors	Continental breakfast in exhibit area
9:00 — 9:10	Welcome Address Announcements from OKRA	Sara Ivey & Ellen Bussert, OKRA
9:10 — 9:40	Recycling Today in Oklahoma & Market Updates	Chris Bell, Smurfit Kappa North America
9:40 — 10:30	Keynote Presentation: Waste to Wealth	Neil Seldman, Inst. for Local Self-Reliance
10:30 — 11:00	Morning Break/Networking	Exhibit Area
11:00 — 12:00	Recycle Program Success Story Moderator: Kara Berst, Chickasaw Nation	Community: James Williams, Muscogee (Creek) Nation Schools: Crystal Bennett, Republic Services Business: Patrick Ivey, Cox Communications
12:00 — 1:15	Lunch Buffet Luncheon Speaker	Dining & Program in Event Hall Ric Kotarsky, Tulsa Zoo Recycling/Composting
1:15 — 1:30	Visit Exhibitors & Network	Exhibit Area
1:30 — 3:00 Expert Roundtable Discussion Topics & Facilitators - Select three table topics	1. How to Talk with Legislators 2. Tire Recycling & Clean-ups 3. Food Waste Hauling 4. Recycled Paper Products 5. Glass Recycling 6. Branding Your Recycling 7. Product Stewardship Programs 8. Single-Stream Challenges 9. Rural Opportunities	Oklahoma Representative Ferrella March, Oklahoma DEQ Natalie Mallory, Full Sun Composting Chris Bell, Smurfit Kappa North America Facilitator t.b.d. Maureen Turner, City of Tulsa Garmon Smith, Ada Recycling Coalition Greta Calvery, Waste Management, Inc. Keima Kamara, Oklahoma Coop Extension Service
3:00 — 3:15	Door Prizes & Meet Up for Tours	Sara Ivey & Ellen Bussert
3:15 — 4:30 Select one	TOUR: Tulsa Zoo Recycling & Composting Operations -OR- Tour: City of Tulsa Mulch Site	Ric Kotarsky, Tulsa Zoo -OR- Scott Van Loo, City of Tulsa

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Speakers

Keynote



Neil Seldman, Ph.D.
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Seldman has played an important role in the development of recycling and Zero Waste in the U.S. He has assisted municipalities, as well as citizen, environmental and small business organizations, increase recovery of materials from the waste stream and grow the local economy by adding value to materials through local processing, manufacturing and job creation.

Luncheon



Ric Kotarsky
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Richard (Ric) Kotarsky began his career at the Tulsa Zoo in 1998. He earned his Master's degree in Museum Studies and Leadership from The University of Oklahoma and later began working on a National Wildlife Refuge as a biologist where he headed up various wetlands habitat research projects. Ric is a Professional Fellow of the American Zoo and Aquarium Association and an alumnus of the Student Conservation Association and AmeriCorps. He is currently the Wildlife Conservation, Research, and Green Practices Manager at the Tulsa Zoo.

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- ♻️ City of Tulsa (recycling & composting) – Maureen Turner
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- ♻️ Keep Oklahoma Beautiful (community improvement) – Jeanette Nance
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- ♻️ Natural Evolution, Inc., (electronics recycling) – Traci Phillips
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- ♻️ Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service (rural development) – Keima Kamara
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- ♻️ Pinpoint Wire Technologies (wire products) – Ed Pope
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- ♻️ Solid Waste Association of North America (Oklahoma Indian Nations Chapter) – Chris Knight
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- ♻️ The M.e.t. (drop-off Centers) - Ali Kalenak
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