**2023 Oklahoma Recycling Conference Schedule**

**September 29, 2023**

**“*Offsetting the Recycling Objection*”**

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| **Time** | **Friday,** | **Presenters** |
| 7:30 a.m. | Conference Registration  Breakfast - | Exhibitors in Great Room |
| 8:30 a.m. | Welcome  Opening Comments | Kara Berst, Chickasaw Nation  Megan Waters, Keep McAlester Beautiful - Emcee  and OKRA President |
| 8:45 a.m. | *Making Recycling Happen* – Community Tools | Vincent Leray, The Recycling Partnership |
| 9:30 a.m. | Recycling Markets 2023 and Beyond | Chaz Miller, Recycling and Waste Expert – Waste 360 Columnist |
| 10:00 a.m. | Urban Wood Utilization in Oklahoma | Moderator: Kara Berst, Chickasaw Nation  Riley Coy- Dept of Agriculture, Susan Bergen– Eco Woods Solutions, Paul Streets – Midwest City |
| 10:45 a.m. | Break |  |
| 11:00 a.m. | Refillery – A Reusing Business | Traci Walton, Plenty Mercantile |
| 11:30 a.m. | E - Waste | Jessica Miller, U.S. EPA |
| 12:00 PM | Lunch |  |
| 1:15 PM | OKRA Work Group Spotlight – Education & Outreach | Sara Ivey, DEQ |
| 1:30 PM | Roundtable Discussion Instructions | Megan Waters, OKRA President |
|  | **Round 1:  Roundtable Discussions** |  |
| Composting and All about OCASA | Crystal Walker, OK Compost and Sustainability Association  Kelly Dillow, OK Compost and Sustainability Association |
| Community Education & Engagement | Vincent Leray, The Recycling Partnership |
| Glass Recycling in Oklahoma | Fenton Rood, OKRA  Traci Cherry, Dlubak |
| Textile Waste | Dr. Sumit Mandal, Oklahoma State University |
| Understanding Policy and Making it Work for Your Program | Chaz Miller, Recycling and Waste Expert – Waste 360 Columnist |
| Styrofoam Recycling | Cathy Bowden, Churches Caring for Creation |
| E-waste | Jessica Miller, U.S. EPA |
| Super Recycling Program | Crystal Bennett, Republic Services |
| Wood Waste | Susan Bergen – Eco Wood Solutions |
| Reuse in Business |  |
| Oklahoma Meds & Sharps Disposal Committee (OMSDC) | Linzi Bhatta, Department of Environmental Quality |
| 2:00 PM | Break and snacks with exhibitors |  |
| 2:30 PM | Round 2:Roundtable Discussions | Same topics and hosts as Round 1 |
| 3:00 PM | Round 3: Roundtable Discussions | Same topics and hosts as Round 1 |
| 3:30 PM | Closing Session – Community Recycling Grant Opportunities | Vincent Leray, Recycling Partnership |
| 4:00 PM | Adjourn Conference | Megan Waters, OKRA President |

**As of 9-8-23**