



Call for Speakers: *Circular Missouri – Beyond Recycling*

April 26–28, 2027 | Osage Beach, Missouri

Dear Recycling and Sustainability Professionals,

The Missouri Recycling Association (MORA) invites you to share your knowledge, experience, and innovative ideas at our upcoming ***Circular Missouri: Beyond Recycling*** Conference, taking place April 26–28, 2027, in Osage Beach, Missouri.

As the recycling industry continues to evolve, opportunities to conserve resources, reduce waste, strengthen markets, and embrace circular economy practices are expanding. This conference will bring together professionals, businesses, local governments, educators, nonprofit organizations, and other stakeholders to explore new approaches and practical solutions that move us beyond traditional recycling.

We are seeking speakers who are passionate about sharing their expertise, lessons learned, successful programs, innovative technologies, and emerging ideas related to recycling and the broader circular economy.

Potential presentation topics may include, but are not limited to:

- **Recycling Innovations & Emerging Technologies**
New processes, technologies, and approaches to improving recovery and material management.
- **Beyond Recycling**
Reuse, repair, refurbishment, remanufacturing, and waste prevention.
- **Markets & Materials Recovery**
Developing end markets, managing challenging materials, and creating value from recovered resources.
- **Product Stewardship & Extended Producer Responsibility**
Programs and policies that support responsible product and material management.
- **Composting & Organics Diversion**
Food waste reduction, composting, and other organics recovery opportunities.
- **Circular Economy & Sustainable Business Practices**
Innovative business models, resource conservation, and opportunities to keep materials in use.
- **Community Programs & Education**
Successful local initiatives, public engagement, and strategies for increasing participation.
- **Policy, Partnerships & Funding**
Collaborative approaches, legislative developments, and funding opportunities that advance recycling and resource recovery.

We welcome proposals from a wide range of perspectives, including industry professionals, manufacturers, haulers, processors, end-market representatives, local governments, researchers, educators, nonprofit organizations, and others working to advance resource conservation and sustainability.

Whether you have an established program to showcase, a new idea to share, or valuable lessons learned from experience, we encourage you to consider presenting. Our goal is to create an engaging, practical, and informative conference that connects people, sparks new ideas, and helps move Missouri toward a more circular economy.



Interested in presenting?

Please respond by **January 31, 2027**, with a brief description of your proposed topic, the key takeaways for attendees, and the name and contact information of the proposed speaker(s). You may also indicate whether your presentation would be a solo presentation, panel discussion, or another format.

Please submit your proposal or direct questions to the Missouri Recycling Association at admin@mora.org.

Thank you for considering this opportunity to share your knowledge and contribute to the future of recycling and resource management in Missouri. We look forward to hearing from you and building an outstanding program together!

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