

# ILLINOIS GREEN

## Engagement & Outreach Volunteer Opportunities

These volunteer opportunities apply to buildings deemed “in-need”, as determined through requests and partnerships with Illinois Green Alliance.

### Energy Benchmarking Data Verification

Assist buildings (who request support) to verify their energy data

Supports building compliance with the Chicago Benchmarking Ordinance

Time Commitment: ~1-2 hours

### ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager Support

Assist a building/organization set-up ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager accounts for their building(s)

Includes data input and training on how to keep ENERGY STAR up-to-date

Time commitment: ~2-4 hours

### ENERGY STAR Certification Support

Help qualifying schools, non-profits, and faith-based organizations apply for ENERGY STAR certification

Encourages buildings to benchmark and improve their energy performance

Time commitment: ~4-8 hours, dependin on data verification and EPA review process

### Expert Speaker

Speak about a sustainability topic in a classroom, presentation, or meeting

Educates others about sustainability topics

Time Commitment: ~1-4 hours

### Pro-bono Assessments

Perform or a pro-bono energy, water, waste, or other sustainability assessment with a building

Includes report review follow-up to discuss findings and implementation options

Time commitment: ~4-8 hours

### Green Team Advisor

Help organizations structure and start a Green Team to carry-out sustainability goals and actions

Empowers staff and buildings to take responsibility for their goals and decisions

Time commitment: ~2-4 hours per month, on-going, depending on participation

### Sustainability Mentor: Facilities Staff

Support building engineers and facilities staff who are working to be more efficient in their building

Provides guidance for people and buildings as they improve their sustainability

Time commitment: ~2-8 hours per month, on-going, depending on participation

### Sustainability Mentor: Residential Buildings

Engage tenants and/or homeowners in sustainable and healthy living practices

Educates people about sustainable living behaviors and technologies

Time Commitment: ~2-4 hours

### Sustainability Mentor: Schools and Students

Mentor students about a sustainability topic and support project implementation

Supports students implementing low-/no-cost actions at their school

Time commitment: ~2-8 hours per month, year-long support, depending on participation

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## Committee Volunteer Opportunities

These volunteer opportunities are available for those who would like to help plan events and move Illinois Green's membership and educational mission forward.

### Programs Committee

Volunteers help select, develop, and implement education programs

Volunteers coordinate speakers and logistics for events

Time commitment: Year-long opportunity; ~2-8 hours per month, depending on event responsibilities.

### Member Engagement Committee

Volunteers help grow membership

Volunteers help engage members

Time Commitment: Year-long opportunity; ~2-8 hours per month, depending on member programs.

### Emerging Professionals Committee

Volunteers are young professionals who increase awareness, membership, and networks

Volunteers help connect architecture, design, energy, sustainability, and engineering industries

Time Commitment: Year-long opportunity; ~2-8 hours per month, depending on event responsibilities.

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## Other Volunteer Opportunities

These opportunities are annual events Illinois Green puts on and/or supports that require volunteer time and support to accomplish. This is not a full list of opportunities; others may be available in the future.

### GreenBuilt Home Tour

Annual event highlights IL builders, designers, and homeowners while featuring sustainable homes

Volunteers assist with day of needs (registration, tour group sizes, photos, etc.)

Time Commitment: ~4-8 hours during a weekend at the end of July

### Green Ribbon School Application

Schools submit applications highlighting their greening efforts around 3 pillars

Volunteers review applications submitted by Illinois schools, either K-12 or higher education

Time commitment: ~10 hours to review and discuss applications in January

### Limelight Annual Fundraiser Support

Volunteers assist with pre-event activities (securing raffle prizes, picking up donations, outreach, etc.)

Volunteers assist with day of needs (social media, raffle sales, registration, wayfinding, etc.)

Time Commitment: ~4-8 hours in April/May

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