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PlanItGreen Announces Community Forum and Invites Oak Park and River Forest Community Members to Help Create a Sustainability Vision Plan

PlanItGreen is part of the OPRF Community Foundation's Communityworks initiative, designed to engage community residents and stakeholder organizations in realizing a vision for a sustainable Oak Park and River Forest.

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Oak Park, IL - A PlanItGreen community forum has been announced for November 4, 2010 from 6:30 p.m to 9:00 p.m. at Julian Middle School in Oak Park. All community residents are encouraged to participate and lend their voice to the planning process. Online registration for the event is available at www.sevengenerationsahead.org.

Seven Generations Ahead is leading the PlanItGreen initiative, in partnership with the Delta Institute, the Oak Park River Forest Community Foundation, and will work in collaboration with a host of organizations and residents within Oak Park and River Forest.

Topics covered in PlanItGreen community forum will include:

1. Food
2. Waste Reduction
3. Water Conservation, Quality Protection
4. Energy (Efficiency and Renewable Energy)
5. Transportation
6. Green Economy
7. Procurement
8. Community Development and Planning
9. Open Space/Conservation
10. Education

Community participation is a fundamental part of PlanItGreen. Ways that community residents and stakeholders can get involved with PlanItGreen include:

1. Registering your organization at the PlanItGreen section of the SGA website (www.sevengenerationsahead.org), and encouraging friends/colleagues to do the same with their organizations.
2. Taking the PlanItGreen Survey at www.sevengenerationsahead.org and encourage friends, neighbors, and colleagues to do the same.
3. Registering to attend the PlanItGreen Community Forums at www.sevengenerationsahead.org

ABOUT THE OAK PARK – RIVER FOREST COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

The purpose of the Oak Park – River Forest Community Foundation is to inspire philanthropy and to steward the community toward sustainability and well-being. The Foundation serves Oak Park and River Forest by:

- Stimulating and facilitating individual philanthropy;
- Being accountable and prudent managers of donor funds;
- Making responsive and informed grants; and,
- Convening resources to address community priorities and interests.

ABOUT SEVEN GENERATIONS AHEAD

Founded in 2001, Seven Generations Ahead (SGA) is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization with the mission of promoting ecologically sustainable and healthy communities. SGA works with local government, community and private sector leaders to help communities make the changes they need to create a healthy and sustainable future.

ABOUT THE DELTA INSTITUTE

For over a decade, The Delta Institute has helped individuals, organizations and communities demonstrate that building better economies and reforming our relationship with the environment go hand in hand. Delta creates, funds and implements programs that promote a healthy environment, a strong economy and thriving, vibrant communities.

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