Peer Network Series

Partnerships to Tackle Big Problems
Putting ‘the people’s university’ to work for Washington’s cities

- Project Based
- Client Driven
- Broker to the University
- Conduit to County Extension Programming
- Full-meal-deal or à la carte
Green Infrastructure

- Applied Research
- Training
- Public Engagement
- Education / Outreach tools
- Assessment
- Monitoring
- Community / Capacity Building
Applied Research

- WSU Puyallup R&E Center
  Demonstration parking lot, soil mesocosms, rain gardens, fish lab, water & soil analysis
- Washington Stormwater Center
- Social and economic research
Green Infrastructure

Training Capacity

• LID professionals training program
• Real Estate professionals – clock hours
• Landscape professionals
• Volunteer mentors – assist homeowners
Public Engagement

- Educational Materials
  - extension.wsu.edu/raingarden
- Public Website and Dashboard
  - 12000raingardens.org
  - Soundimpacts.org
- Rain garden / bioretention assessment protocol
  - extension.wsu.edu/raingarden/monitoring-rain-gardens/
Opportunities

- Coordinated, regional, multi-jurisdictional GI program
  - Environmental, health, and economic co-benefits
  - Connect implementation, monitoring, assessment, and research
  - Public engagement
Community Engagement

Stanwood – Strategic planning

• To engage community
• Create and analyze community-based surveys
• Results....
Everett CHART
Chronic-Utilizer Alternative Response Team
• Evaluate the program
• Build consensus on outcomes / metrics
• Gauge effectiveness and scalability
Aging and Disability Services (Seattle / King County)

- Data analysis
- Update previous assessments and analysis
- Recommend strategies
Western Center for Metropolitan Extension and Research (WCMER)

- Multi-state applied research
- Connect practitioners + research + local government
  - Green Infrastructure Summit
  - Next Urban Giants

National Urban Extension Leaders (NUEL)

http://MetroExtension.wsu.edu
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Thank You

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