

# Midwest Regional Rally Up

## Cincinnati, Ohio | June 13 & 14, 2023



## About the Event

The 10,000 Communities Initiative aims to foster connections and collaboration between public, private, and community leaders to maximize the use of new federal funding sources and leverage local and regional outcomes.

## Program

### June 13th, Anchor Event

**The Port of Greater Cincinnati  
Development Authority (The Port)**

**8:30 am - 1:00 pm**

*Transforming the Cincinnati Region:  
Accelerating Manufacturing, Workforce,  
and Equity*

Elevating community and economic development priorities, initiatives, and partnerships to representatives from state and federal agencies, capital providers, and other national stakeholders.

### June 14th, Anchor Event

**Heartland Capital Strategies**

**8:30 am - 1:00 pm**

*The Marshall Plan Reimagined: Building an  
Appalachian Sustainable Finance Hub*

Empowering the region to compete for historic clean infrastructure funds available through BIL, IRA, and CHIPS for the purpose of deploying utility-scale, jobs-generating infrastructure initiatives.

## Speakers

**Laurel Blatchford**

**U.S. Department of Treasury**

Chief Implementation Officer for Inflation Reduction Act Implementation

**Jigar Shah**

**U.S. Department of Energy**

Director, Loan Programs Office

**THE PORT**  
**Cincinnati**  
Making Real Estate Work



**Heartland**  
CAPITAL STRATEGIES

*Mobilizing Workers' Capital for a Sustainable World*

# Afternoon Sessions, Boot Camps and Trainings

	June 13th	June 13th	June 14th
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm	Innovative Workforce Financing <i>America Achieves and Social Finance</i>	State Revolving Loan Fund Academy: Water, Wastewater, and Stormwater Project Funding Resources <i>Quantified Ventures</i>	U.S. Department of Energy Briefing: Resources to assist communities in replicating project design and structure
2:30 pm - 4:00 pm	Project Diagnostic Session <i>Community Infrastructure Center</i>		Nth Cycle Briefing: Battery Recycling Plan and Scaling in the Midwest <i>Nth Cycle and Elemental Excelsior</i>
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Day One Evening Reception: <i>10,000 Communities Initiative Partners</i>		Project Developer Briefings: Microgrids, Waste 2 Value, and Other Replicable Projects

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## 10,000 Communities Initiative Key Partners:

