TALZ

Taking a Lead on Zero Waste

Zeroing in on Waste Reduction to Implement a Long Island Regional Zero Waste Plan

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We are speaking about Suffolk County. Two landfills in the county will be closed by 2024 but so far there are no plans in place to deal with the waste that will keep coming. Our group TALZ, TAKING A LEAD ON ZERO WASTE, was formed to find ways to educate and involve residents, businesses and government in the effort to create a circular economy, where all waste would be used, rather than disposed of. We urge the CLCPA Council to plan and support ways to reduce our household waste, re-use whatever we can, and recycle the remainder into new products that will be marketable. We support mandated recycling and extended producer responsibility, particularly with respect to plastics. We urge the D.E.C. to lead the effort for our towns to work together to plan the next steps before it is too late.

By starting locally in our homes and communities, we can create understanding and support for the worldwide transition from fossil fuels to renewable energy which is so difficult but so necessary. This first step toward reaching zero waste and ending climate change.may be the most important one.

Nancy Marr, Member, Executive Committee

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