

The **Environmental Quality**
of our **Lakes and Shorelines**

April 16-April 18

The Oshkosh Area Community Foundation invites you to a gathering of those committed to charting a future for the environmental quality of our four Winnebago area lakes.

While a number of regional initiatives address various aspects of the larger Wolf and Fox River watersheds, this workshop will focus on Winnebago County. This work may serve as a model for similar work in other counties.

What are the workshop's goals?

- **Examine** the specific and varied **roles** of citizens, groups, and communities around the shorelines of the four Winnebago lakes
- **Learn** what is being done and help **identify** needs and gaps
- **Identify** elements of our **common vision**
- **Enhance communication** and **collaboration** among groups committed to improving the environmental quality of the lakes and shorelines – and **identify future actions** we might take together
- **Offer input** as the Oshkosh Area Community Foundation prepares to disburse \$10,000 from a new environmental grantmaking program for Winnebago County.

Who should attend?

- Environmental and conservation group representatives
- Others interested in environmental quality
- School, City, Town, State and Federal Government representatives
- Businesses



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A **Community** Workshop
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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16

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Please join us as we retreat from our usual daily schedules to reflect on the lakes that contribute so much to the character of our communities and the quality of our lives.

8:00 a.m. **Arrival and registration**
Registration is FREE.
To sign up, please return the enclosed form or call (920) 426-3993 before April 10.

8:30 a.m. **Welcome, overview, and introductions**

Where are we now?

The four lakes area: current issues and opportunities

Each group: Current programs, projects, and activities

11:45 a.m. **Lunch**

12:30 p.m. **Where do we want to be?**

10 year vision

Important actions for the next 5 years

3:00 p.m. **Summarize today's work and prepare for tomorrow**

3:30 p.m. **Adjourn**



THURSDAY, APRIL 17

[Schedule](#)

8:30 a.m. **Welcome back and review**

8:45 a.m. **How will we get from here to there?**

Build on yesterday's work: What is the scope of the combined work of all groups?

Where is there overlap or synergy?

What are the current gaps in programming and how will we close them?

11:00 a.m. **Our next steps**

Specific projects, activities, or follow up actions

Ongoing communication and collaboration among groups

Oshkosh Area Community Foundation Environmental grantmaking program

11:45 a.m. **Evaluation/Closing**

12:00 p.m. **Adjourn**



FRIDAY, APRIL 18

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The Foundation will report our findings to potential supporters of the environmental grantmaking program succeed. *Workshop participants are welcome to attend.*

7:30 a.m. **Registration/Check-in**
Registration is FREE.
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8:00 a.m. **Continental Breakfast and Workshop Findings**
Visions/Values
Gaps/Needs
Your Role

9:30 a.m. **Adjourn**

ABOUT THE FACILITATOR

Anne Forbes



Anne Forbes is the founder/owner of Partners in Place, a Madison consulting firm specializing in facilitation of groups and collaborations focusing on the environment and working to create a 'sense of place.' She will lead an interactive workshop with

ample opportunity for participation and discussion.

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