

## Request for Sponsorship

Dear Commissioners:

Would the City of Gainesville be open to help sponsor a statewide event on sustainability, held here in Gainesville, Oct. 26 & 26.

The event is themed: Campus and Community Sustainability: Sharing Best Practices and Visions for Florida's Future, and will provide a venue for the exchange of best practices and visions among Florida's universities, colleges, and communities. Discussions will focus on fostering strong relationships between institutions and their communities, and be open to:

- Faculty, staff, and students of Florida's academic institutions
- Community leaders from government, NGO's, and business
- Planning and development staff
- Florida citizens interested in developing stronger, local sustainability initiatives

A specific aim of the conference is to facilitate the integration of sustainability principles into issues such as: growth management, water, land use, food systems, energy, waste, economic development, the built environment, and transportation.

The conference is anticipated to draw about approximately 300 attendees, and we were hoping the City might be a Silver level sponsor, or host one of the breakfasts or lunches during the conference.

Your personal participation is of course, is very appreciated, and maybe you or staff could help host a panel or breakout session or even submit content about something sustainable and interesting going on in this community.

Sincerely,

Mark van Soestbergen  
On behalf of the Host Committee CCS-06

<http://www.sustainable.ufl.edu/conference/index.asp>  
<http://www.sustainable.ufl.edu/conference/callForContent.asp>